Big Bend National Park

Daily Report – Thursday, January 05, 2017

Weather Forecast :

Today ..... Sunny with winds from the west at 10-15 mph. Mountain highs will be in the lower 60s, river highs in the upper 70s.

Tonight ..... Mostly clear with winds from the west and north at 10-15 mph. Overnight lows 32-43.

Tomorrow ..... Sunny with winds from the northeast at 10 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 40s, river highs in the upper 50s. Overnight lows 25-31.

Extended ..... Sat-Wed: Sunny Highs: lower 40s - around 80 Lows: upper 20s - mid 40s

Sunset tonight: 6:08 p.m. ..... Sunrise tomorrow: 7:48 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Moderate **Panther Junction/Foothills: Moderate**

Temperatures and Precipitation

	Temperatures – Last 24 hours				Precipitation		
	Elevation	**High**	**Low**	**8 AM**	**24 Hours**	**Month**	**Year**
Panther Junction	**3750'**	70	46	52	0.00	0.02	0.02
Chisos Basin	**5400'**	65	50	56	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rio Grande Village	**1850'**	76	35	39	0.00	0.00	0.00
Castolon	**2170'**	78	40	41	0.00	0.00	0.00
Persimmon Gap	**2970'**	77	41	51	0.00	0.01	0.01
Lajitas	**2340'**	77	38	39	0.00	0.00	0.00

River Levels

	Flood Stage	**Today**	**Yesterday**
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.91 ft / 590 cfs	5.94 ft / 600 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.25 ft / 526 cfs	4.27 ft / 534 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.87 ft / 537 cfs	5.87 ft / 537 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.88 ft / 604 cfs	3.88 ft / 604 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	6.04 ft / 907 cfs	6.02 ft / 897 cfs

Current Park Conditions:

Several overnight backpacking campsites are closed in Boot Canyon, Colima, Toll Mountain, Juniper Canyon # 1 and Southwest Rim # 2 due to bear activity. The Chisos Mountains are home to a healthy Mexican Black Bear population, and fall rains resulted in abundant pine nut and oak nut production. Bears feed heavily during the fall in order to prepare for their winter denning period and these closures will give them the space and time they need to feed and will help keep our bears healthy and wild. Thank you for your cooperation and support!

All information posted as of 9:00 am this morning; subject to change without notice.