

Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Sunday, January 08, 2017

Weather Forecast :

Today Sunny with winds from the southwest at 10 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 50s, river highs in the lower 60s.

Tonight Clear with winds from the west at 10 mph. Overnight lows 38-44.

Tomorrow Sunny with winds from the southwest at 10 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 60s, river highs in the lower 80s. Overnight lows in the upper 40s.

Extended..... Tues-Sat: Sunny. Highs: lower 50s – mid 80s Lows: lower 40s – upper 40s

Sunset tonight: 6:11 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 7:48 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Moderate

Panther Junction/Foothills: Low

Temperatures and Precipitation

| | Temperatures – Last 24 hours | | | | Precipitation | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------|------|-----|------|---------------|-------|------|
| | Elevation | High | Low | 8 AM | 24 Hours | Month | Year |
| Panther Junction | 3750' | 41 | 18 | 29 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Chisos Basin | 5400' | 47 | 21 | 41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Rio Grande Village | 1850' | 50 | 21 | 23 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Castolon | 2170' | 53 | 24 | 27 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Persimmon Gap | 2970' | 45 | 22 | 25 | 0.00 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
| Lajitas | 2340' | 49 | 25 | 26 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

River Levels

| | Flood Stage | Today | Yesterday |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Presidio International Bridge | 15.50 | 5.89 ft / 582 cfs | 5.90 ft / 586 cfs |
| Castolon | 15.50 | 4.14 ft / 489 cfs | 4.14 ft / 489 cfs |
| Johnson Ranch | 15.50 | 5.81 ft / 515 cfs | 5.81 ft / 512 cfs |
| Rio Grande Village | 13.00 | 3.80 ft / 558 cfs | 3.84 ft / 581 cfs |
| Dryden Crossing | 59.00 | 5.99 ft / 883 cfs | 6.01 ft / 890 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!