Big Bend National Park

Daily Report – Wednesday, January 11, 2017

Weather Forecast :

Today..... Sunny with winds from the southwest around 10 mph. Mountain highs low 70s, river highs upper 80s.

Tonight..... Clear with light and variable winds. Overnight lows low 50s.

Tomorrow ..... Sunny with winds from the west around 10 mph. Mountain highs upper 60s, river highs low 80s. Overnight lows low 50s.

Extended……. Fri-Tue: Mostly cloudy to sunny with a chance of rain Saturday.
Highs: low 50s - mid 70s Lows: low 40s - mid 50s

Sunset tonight: 6:14 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'**	81	54	56	0.00	0.02	0.02
Chisos Basin	**5400'**	74	59	64	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rio Grande Village	**1850'**	89	35	37	0.00	0.00	0.00
Castolon	**2170'**	88	43	46	0.00	0.00	0.00
Persimmon Gap	**2970'**	86	39	41	0.00	0.01	0.01
Lajitas	**2340'**	87	40	40	0.00	0.00	0.00

River Levels

	Flood Stage	**Today**	**Yesterday**
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.87 ft / 575 cfs	5.87 ft / 575 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.18 ft / 504 cfs	4.19 ft / 504 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.87 ft / 547 cfs	5.85 ft / 537 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.88 ft / 604 cfs	3.84 ft / 581 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	6.00 ft / 886 cfs	5.97 ft / 872 cfs

Current Park Conditions:

Several overnight backpacking campsites are closed in Boot Canyon, Colima, 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.