

Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Thursday, January 12, 2017

Weather Forecast :

Today..... Sunny with winds from the southwest around 10 mph. Mountain highs mid 60s, river highs around 80.

Tonight..... Partly cloudy with winds from the northeast around 10 mph. Overnight lows mid 40s.

Tomorrow Mostly cloudy with a 20% chance of rain. Winds will be from the east/northeast at 10-15 mph. Mountain highs upper 50s, river highs low 70s. Overnight lows low 50s.

Extended..... Sat-Wed: Mostly cloudy to sunny with a chance of showers and thunderstorms Saturday thru Tuesday. Highs: around 50 - mid 70s Lows: around 40 - low 50s

Sunset tonight: 6:15 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'	82	53	54	0.00	0.02	0.02
Chisos Basin	5400'	76	51	52	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rio Grande Village	1850'	92	34	44	0.00	0.00	0.00
Castolon	2170'	91	43	46	0.00	0.00	0.00
Persimmon Gap	2970'	87	41	42	0.00	0.01	0.01
Lajitas	2340'	87	37	38	0.00	0.00	0.00

River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.87 ft / 572 cfs	5.87 ft / 575 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.26 ft / 530 cfs	4.18 ft / 504 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.86 ft / 540 cfs	5.87 ft / 547 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.86 ft / 593 cfs	3.88 ft / 604 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	6.00 ft / 890 cfs	6.00 ft / 886 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!