

# Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Saturday, December 24, 2016

## Weather Forecast :

- Today..... Sunny with winds from the south around 10 mph. Mountain highs upper 60s, river highs low 80s.
- Tonight..... Partly cloudy with winds from the south at 10-15 mph. Overnight lows upper 40s.
- Tomorrow ..... Sunny with winds from the south/southwest at 10-20 mph. Mountain highs mid 60s, river highs around 80. Overnight lows mid 40s.
- Extended ..... Mon-Fri: Sunny to mostly cloudy with a chance of rain Friday.  
Highs: low 50s - upper 70s      Lows: low 40s - low 50s
- Sunset tonight: 6:01 p.m. .... Sunrise tomorrow: 7:45 a.m.

## Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Low

Panther Junction/Foothills: Low

## Temperatures and Precipitation

	Temperatures – Last 24 hours				Precipitation		
	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	3750'	74	44	48	0.21	1.44	13.72
Chisos Basin	5400'	71	49	49	0.22	1.66	25.23
Rio Grande Village	1850'	78	43	46	0.00	0.91	11.73
Castolon	2170'	75	45	47	0.12	0.88	11.03
Persimmon Gap	2970'	72	43	47	0.00	1.04	14.86
Lajitas	2340'	72	41	41	0.00	1.29	12.35

## River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.86 ft / 575 cfs	5.82 ft / 558 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.07 ft / 463 cfs	4.01 ft / 446 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.76 ft / 480 cfs	5.76 ft / 480 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.75 ft / 536 cfs	3.78 ft / 547 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	5.92 ft / 851 cfs	5.89 ft / 833 cfs

## Current Park Conditions:

Overnight backpacking campsites in Boot Canyon, Colima, Toll Mountain, Juniper Canyon # 1 and Southwest Rim # 2 are temporarily closed 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!