

# Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Tuesday, December 27, 2016

## Weather Forecast :

Today ..... Mostly cloudy with light and variable winds. Mountain highs will be in the mid 60s, river highs in the mid 70s.

Tonight ..... Mostly cloudy with light and variable winds. Overnight lows 50-55.

Tomorrow ..... Partly cloudy with winds from the southwest at 10 mph. Mountain highs will be in the upper 60s, river highs in the lower 80s. Overnight lows around 50.

Extended ..... Thurs-Mon: Mostly cloudy to sunny with a chance of rain on Friday.  
Highs: lower 50s - upper 70s                      Lows: lower 40s - upper 40s

Sunset tonight: 6:03 p.m. .... Sunrise tomorrow: 7:46 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'	68	44	53	0.00	1.44	13.72
Chisos Basin	5400'	66	44	53	0.00	1.66	25.23
Rio Grande Village	1850'	74	40	44	0.00	0.91	11.73
Castolon	2170'	73	45	50	0.00	0.88	11.03
Persimmon Gap	2970'	74	37	51	0.00	1.04	14.86
Lajitas	2340'	70	43	48	0.00	1.29	12.35

## River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.91 ft / 590 cfs	5.89 ft / 582 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.24 ft / 522 cfs	4.22 ft / 515 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.84 ft / 519 cfs	5.83 ft / 512 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.81 ft / 564 cfs	3.78 ft / 547 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	5.88 ft / 826 cfs	5.89 ft / 833 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!