

# Big Bend National Park



## Daily Report – Tuesday, January 20, 2026

# Weather Forecast

Today..... Mostly cloudy. Cooler. Mountain highs in the upper 40's, river & desert highs in the mid 60's. Northeast winds 10 - 15 mph becoming light and variable.

Tonight.....Partly cloudy. Lows in the lower 40's. Light and variable winds.

Tomorrow ..... Sunny. Mountain highs in the mid 50's, river & desert highs in the mid 70's. West winds around 10 mph. Mostly clear night. Evening lows 38 to 43. NE winds 10 mph.

Extended..... Thursday - Monday: Partly to mostly cloudy. Cold weekend with freezing rain.  
Highs: mid 50's to lower 70's Lows: upper 30's to low 40's

**Sunset tonight: 6:21 p.m. .... Sunrise tomorrow: 7:47 a.m.**

## Fire Danger

## In the Chisos Mountains: Low

## **Panther Junction/Foothills: Low**

## Temperatures and Precipitation

Temperatures – Last 24 hours					Total Precipitation		
	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	<b>3750'</b>	69	34	34	0.00	.32	.32
Chisos Basin	<b>5400'</b>	63	33	35	0.00	.60	.60
Rio Grande Village	<b>1850'</b>	74	26	41	0.00	.17	.17
Castolon	<b>2170'</b>	71	34	44	0.00	.39	.39
Persimmon Gap	<b>2970'</b>	69	28	35	0.00	.40	.40
Lajitas	<b>2340'</b>	70	30	43	0.00	.62	.62

## River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	4.54 ft / 46 cfs	4.56 ft / 48 cfs
Castolon	15.50	2.54 ft / 73 cfs	2.66 ft / 104 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	3.96 ft / 77 cfs	4.08 ft / 92 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.14 ft / 105 cfs	3.12 ft / 100 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	5.05 ft / 460 cfs	5.07 ft / 465 cfs

## Current Park Conditions:

\* There is a BURN BAN in effect in the Chisos Basin. No wood or charcoal fires allowed at this time.

\* The Port of Entry (POE) at Boquillas will remain operational from Friday-Monday 9:00a-4:00p until further notice.

\* High clearance, 4-wheel drive vehicles are required for all dirt roads. Expect rough and/or muddy conditions on all gravel and/or dirt roads. Hot Springs and Black Gap are closed. All others are open & require high clearance 4-wheel drive. Your safety is your responsibility. Visit the website for more safety information.

\* Heat safety tips: Avoid strenuous activity between 12 PM & 4 PM. Protect yourself from the sun; wear lightweight, light-colored protective clothing, a hat and sunscreen. Drink plenty of water and supplement with electrolytes. Carry a minimum of 2 liters for short hikes, and 1 gallon or more for full-day hikes. Eat salty snacks and take frequent breaks in the shade to cool down. Your safety is your responsibility.

\*\*\*\* Your safety is your responsibility. Visitors must have the ability to sustain, support, and/or recover themselves. \*\*\*\*

**All information posted as of 9:00 am this morning; subject to change without notice.**