

Big Bend National Park



Daily Report – Tuesday, February 17, 2026

Weather Forecast

Today..... Sunny. Mountain highs in the mid 70's, river & desert highs in the mid 90's. Southwest winds 15 - 25 mph.

Tonight..... Mostly clear. Lows in the mid 50's. West winds 10 - 15 mph shifting to northwest.

Tomorrow Increasing clouds. Mountain highs around 70, river & desert highs around 90. Southwest winds 10 - 15 mph. Partly cloudy evening. Lows in the mid 50's. West winds 10 - 15 mph.

Extended..... Thursday - Monday: Sunny becoming partly cloudy. Southwest winds 10 - 15 mph. Highs: upper 50's - upper 80's Lows: mid 40's to mid 50's

Sunset tonight: 6:44 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 7:29 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: **VERY HIGH**

Panther Junction/Foothills: **VERY HIGH**

Temperatures and Precipitation

	Temperatures – Last 24 hours				Total Precipitation		
	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	3750'	81	51	62	0.00	0.36	1.28
Chisos Basin	5400'	77	51	68	0.00	0.19	1.49
Rio Grande Village	1850'	91	36	45	0.00	0.48	0.93
Castolon	2170'	91	43	51	0.00	0.00	0.39
Persimmon Gap	2970'	84	42	48	0.00	0.26	0.88
Lajitas	2340'	88	40	45	0.00	0.02	0.82

River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.45 ft / 195 cfs	5.51 ft / 209 cfs
Castolon	15.50	3.28 ft / 240 cfs	3.27 ft / 238 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	4.71 ft / 276 cfs	4.72 ft / 279 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.66 ft / 238 cfs	3.67 ft / 242 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	5.39 ft / 583 cfs	5.39 ft / 580 cfs

Current Park Conditions:

* High clearance, 4-wheel drive vehicles are required on Maverick Road, Old Ore Road, River Road, and Terlingua Ranch Road, & recommended on all other primitive roads. Black Gap and Hot Springs are closed. Expect rough and/or muddy conditions on all gravel and/or dirt roads.

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