

Big Bend National Park

Daily Report – Wednesday, June 17, 2026



Weather Forecast

Today..... Sunny! Mountain highs in the mid 80's, river & desert highs near 110. South winds 10 - 15 mph.

Tonight..... Mostly clear. Lows 75 - 80. Northeast winds around 10 mph.

Tomorrow Increasing clouds! Mountain highs in the mid 80's. River and desert highs near 109. West winds 10 - 20 mph. Mostly cloudy evening. Lows 74 - 79.

Extended..... Friday - Tuesday: Sunny to partly cloudy. 20 - 40% chance of showers and t-storms
Highs: Low 80's to 109 Lows: low 70's to high 70's

Sunset tonight: 8:54 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 6:53 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	3750'	94	69	79	0.00	1.41	5.01
Chisos Basin	5400'	85	66	78	0.00	1.54	5.56
Rio Grande Village	1850'	104	74	83	0.00	0.22	2.25
Castolon	2170'	103	76	83	0.00	0.17	1.86
Persimmon Gap	2970'	98	71	79	0.00	0.64	5.37
Lajitas	2340'	102	74	75	0.00	1.18	3.22

River Levels

	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	4.32 ft / 52 cfs	4.93 ft / 168 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.14 ft / 514 cfs	4.32 ft / 551 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	6.02 ft / 658 cfs	5.93 ft / 623 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	4.14 ft / 515 cfs	3.83 ft / 346 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	6.02 ft / 860 cfs	6.67 ft / 1180 cfs

Current Park Conditions:

*** Heat safety tips: Avoid strenuous activity between 12 PM and 8 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. (Heat Index 90-115: get the heat index from the NWS, add 15 degrees for the sun; 105-130)

***Expect rough and/or muddy conditions on all gravel and/or dirt roads. Vehicles that get stuck will need to arrange their own rescue. High clearance, 4-wheel drive vehicles are required on Maverick Road, Old Ore Road, River Road, and Terlingua Ranch Road, and recommended on all other primitive roads. Please watch for debris in roadways.

*** 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 is 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.

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