# **Big Bend National Park**

Daily Report - Wednesday, October 08, 2008

### Weather Forecast

| Today                   | . Sunny with winds from the south around 10 mph. Mountain highs mid 70s; river highs upper 80s.   |
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| Tonight                 | . Mostly clear with light and variable winds. Lows 47-56.   |
| Tomorrow                | . Sunny with isolated showers. Winds will be from the south around 10 mph. Mountain highs mid 70s; river highs lower 90s; overnight lows 54-61. |
| Extended                | . Fri-Tue: Mostly to partly cloudy with a 20% chance of rain Friday night-Tuesday.<br>Highs: lower 60s-lower 90s Lows: upper 40s-lower 60s      |
|                         | Sunset tonight: 7:31 p.m Sunrise tomorrow: 7:50 a.m.  |
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In the Chisos Mountains:Low

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Panther Junction/Foothills: Low

# **Temperatures and Precipitation**

|                    | Tem       | Temperatures – Last 24 hours |     |      | Precipitation |       |       |
|--------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----|------|---------------|-------|-------|
|                    | Elevation | High                         | Low | 8 AM | 24 Hours      | Month | Year  |
| Panther Junction   | 3750'     | 79                           | 54  | 58   | 0.00          | 0.00  | 14.54 |
| Chisos Basin       | 5400'     | 85                           | 50  | 54   | 0.00          | 0.00  | 20.25 |
| Rio Grande Village | 1850'     | 85                           | 50  | 54   | 0.00          | 0.00  | 9.00  |
| Castolon           | 2170'     | NR                           | NR  | NR   | 0.00          | 0.00  | 12.73 |
| Persimmon Gap      | 2970'     | 81                           | 53  | 54   | 0.00          | 0.00  | 13.61 |
| Lajitas            | 2340'     | 88                           | 52  | 52   | 0.00          | 0.00  | 9.56  |

# **River Levels**

|                               | Flood Stage | Today             | Yesterday         |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Presidio International Bridge | 15.50       | 19.78ft/14826 cfs | 19.81ft/14931 cfs |
| Lajitas                       | 15.00       | 14.00ft           | 14.00ft           |
| Castolon                      | 15.00       | 19.74ft/25736 cfs | 19.76ft/22971 cfs |
| Johnson's Ranch               | 15.50       | 19.45ft/13520 cfs | 19.44ft/13519 cfs |
| Rio Grande Village            | 13.00       | 14.49ft/11741 cfs | 14.68ft/12049 cfs |
| Dryden Crossing               | 59.00       | 19.72ft/17050 cfs | 20.14ft/17791 cfs |
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### **Current Park Conditions:**

Rio Grande Village class A campground, Rio Grande Village store and RV campsite with full-hookups, the Santa Elena Canyon Trail, the road from Castolon to Santa Elena Canyon, Cottonwood Campground, Hot Springs Rd, River Road West from Talley to the entrance, access roads to GP4, LC2, SO3, and TY3 are closed. River trips are being permitted, speak to a ranger about access availability. River Road East is 4WD recommended. The Window Trail is open.

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