Big Bend National Park

Daily Report - Tuesday, February 10, 2009

Weather Forecast

| Today | . Becoming partly cloudyVery windy and areas of blowing dust. Mountain highs around 60, river highs around 80. Southwest winds 20-30 mph increasing to west at 35-45 mph with gusts at 60 mph in the afternoon. | | | | |
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| Tonight | . Mostly Clear. West winds at 35-45 mph with gusts to 60 mph. Lows in the mid 30s. | | | | |
| Tomorrow | . Sunny. Mountain highs around 60, river highs lower 70s. West winds 10-15mph.Lows in the upper 30s | | | | |
| Extended | . Thur-Mon : Partly Cloudy | | | | |
| Highs: Lower 60s- Mid 70s Lows: Mid 30s- Lower 40s | | | | | |
| Fire Danger | Sunset tonight: 6:38 p.m Sunrise tomorrow: 7:36 a.m. | | | | |

In the Chisos Mountains:Extreme

Panther Junction/Foothills: Extreme

The National Weather Service Has Issued A Red Flag Warning in Effect From 11 AM to 9 PM. The Combination of Low Relative Humidity, Very Windy Conditions, And High Fire danger Will Result In Conditions Favorable For Rapid Fire Growth And Spread. The Current BI For Panther Junctionction..115, Chisos Mountains..80.

Temperatures and Precipitation

| | Tem | Temperatures – Last 24 hours | | | Pr | Precipitation | |
|--------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----|------|----------|---------------|------|
| | Elevation | High | Low | 8 AM | 24 Hours | Month | Year |
| Panther Junction | 3750' | 78 | 45 | 64 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Chisos Basin | 5400' | 60 | 41 | 53 | 0.00 | 0.02 | 0.02 |
| Rio Grande Village | 1850' | 76 | 36 | 40 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Castolon | 2170' | 75 | 44 | 47 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Persimmon Gap | 2970' | 72 | 33 | 41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| Lajitas | 2340' | 76 | 39 | 41 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

River Levels

| | Flood Stage | Today | Yesterday |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Presidio International Bridge | 15.50 | 5.20 ft/217 cfs | 5.21 ft/220 cfs |
| Lajitas | 15.00 | NR ft | NR ft |
| Castolon | 15.00 | 4.23 ft/120 cfs | 4.20 ft/113 cfs |
| Johnson's Ranch | 15.50 | 6.24 ft/316 cfs | 6.26 ft/319 cfs |
| Rio Grande Village | 13.00 | 4.97 ft/246 cfs | 5.00 ft/254 cfs |
| Dryden Crossing | 59.00 | 5.79 ft/879 cfs | 5.82 ft/879 cfs |
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Current Park Conditions:

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

Grapevine Hills Road is high clearance recommended. Access roads to Gravel Pit 4, Solis 3 and Talley 3 are closed. Woodsons and Jewels Camp 2 campsites are closed. River Road West is 4WD recommended.