

Water over Victoria River Bridge

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The Victoria Highway at the Victoria River Bridge - 200 km west of Katherine – is expected to be closed to traffic by 2pm.

The river is rising rapidly and water is currently 1m below the deck of the bridge.

Variable message boards will be changed in Kununurra and Katherine to reflect the changed road and travel conditions.

Due to the water saturation of the Victoria Highway, weight restrictions are still imposed on trucks travelling from the NT/WA border to Katherine. Motorists should exercise caution at submerged floodways and stream crossings.

An assessment of the repaired section of the Carpentaria Highway - 170 km east of the Stuart Highway - has been made. Water saturation of the road has postponed lifting restrictions to the movement of oversized vehicles at the site.

Another examination will be made on Monday 2 February 2009. Light vehicles and standard-sized trucks are continuing to pass.

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