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Public Urged to Contact Parks and Wildlife Service

The Northern Territory Parks and Wildlife Service has urged people to contact it if they have information regarding the taking of or interfering with protected wildlife such as crocodiles.

Senior wildlife officer Tommy Nichols said the call comes after reports of headless crocodiles being spotted in the Daly River and the alleged dismembering of dead crocodiles.

Mr Nichols said such reports, together with evidence of arrows being shot at crocodiles at Mary River, were disturbing and are being investigated.

“Trophy hunting is illegal, as is the harming or killing of protected wildlife such as crocodiles without a permit,” Mr Nichols said.

“Anyone caught and successfully prosecuted in regards to such matters face a jail term of up to five years or a fine of up to \$55,000 under the *Territory Parks and Wildlife Conservation Act*.”

If anyone has information about incidents concerning crocodiles they are urged to call the Northern Territory Parks and Wildlife Service on 0419 822 859.

If the matter relates to wildlife other than crocodiles they are urged to call 0401 115 702 or 0401 110 205.

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Media Note – For more information contact Tommy Nichols on 0419 822 859

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