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Leanyer Water Playground Closed for Weekend

The Department of Natural Resources, Environment, The Arts and Sport advises that the swimming pool and water playground at Leanyer Recreation Park will be closed from Friday 19 December to Sunday 21 December 2008.

Northern Territory Parks and Wildlife Service chief district ranger Dal Hartley said the closure is due to the \$5.2 million redevelopment of Leanyer Recreation Park.

“The three 14m tall waterslides are currently under construction and this weekend contractors will be installing the new balance tank for the waterslides’ pumping system,” Mr Hartley said.

“As this work requires all water to the filtration system to be turned off it is not possible for the swimming pool and water playground to be used safely by visitors.

“Lifeguards will have the water balance and water quality back up to the required standards by 10am on Monday 22 December 2008 to enable visitors to enjoy the swimming pool and water playground facilities.”

Mr Hartley said the redevelopment of Leanyer Recreation Park includes three waterslides, more shade and barbecue areas, BMX moguls, a half pipe for the skate park and an administration and first aid building.

“The park will be closed intermittently throughout construction of the waterslides and buildings to ensure the safety of all visitors,” Mr Hartley said.

“Visitor health and safety at all parks and reserves administered by the Department of Natural Resources, Environment, The Arts and Sport are the number one priority.”

The picnic and barbecue areas will remain open from 8am to 8pm daily whilst the skate park and basketball courts will also remain open from 8am to 9pm daily over this period.

Ends

Media Note – for more information contact Dal Hartley on 0418 589 830

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