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## **Swimming Re-open in Litchfield National Park**

The Department of Natural Resources, Environment, The Arts and Sport (NRETAS) advise that Buley Rockhole, Florence Falls and the upper section of Cascades in Litchfield National Park are now re-open for swimming.

Swimming was temporarily closed earlier this week due to heavy rainfall resulting in high water levels and increased turbidity of the water with swimming closed to ensure visitor safety.

Access to Litchfield National Park via Cox Peninsula Road remains closed for the duration of the wet season.

Closures in place for the duration of the wet season include Walker Creek, Bamboo Creek, the lower section of Cascades, swimming in Wangi Falls, the Lost City 4WD track and the Reynolds River 4WD track from Litchfield Park Road to the Daly River Road resulting in no access to Surprise Creek Falls, Blyth Homestead and Sandy Creek.

For up to date information regarding access to parks and reserves administered by NRETAS go to [www.nt.gov.au/nreta/parks](http://www.nt.gov.au/nreta/parks)

The public are also reminded to be extremely cautious around any waterways in the Top End as estuarine (saltwater) crocodiles can be found in freshwater systems, billabongs and low areas subject to flooding.

NRETAS urges the public to **BE CROCWISE** and remember that croc danger is real, so don't risk your life. For more information go to [www.nt.gov.au/becrocwise](http://www.nt.gov.au/becrocwise)

The report estuarine (saltwater) crocodile sightings in the Darwin region phone 0419 822 859 or in the Katherine region phone 0407 958 405.

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