Fire danger, weather warnings, alerts and emergencies  

- **Teewah Beach Fire Prohibition:** Open fires must not be lit anywhere on Teewah Beach. Campfires are permitted in the QPWS provided fire rings at the Poverty Point camping area and at Inskip Point camping area.

- **24hr number plate surveillance cameras are now operating in Cooloola Recreation Area.** Vehicles entering and exiting the Cooloola Recreation Area will have their vehicle number plate recorded by fixed or mobile cameras. Vehicle registration details will be checked against the Queensland National Parks Booking Service and any vehicle identified not to have a valid Cooloola Recreation Area vehicle access permit may be issued a Penalty Infringement Notice (PIN) of $200. To avoid receiving a PIN, ensure you purchase a vehicle access permit and check your number plate details are correctly entered on your permit before entering the recreation area.

- **Teewah Beach camping zone:** Sections of Teewah Beach camping area have been identified as having unstable sand cliffs and a high risk of rock falls posing a risk to visitor safety. As a result, high risk areas have been closed to camping. High risk areas are marked by “DANGER” signs. Visitors are required to camp outside these marked areas. QPWS are also implementing changes to improve visitor safety and provide park visitors with better camping experiences. From February 2021, the way you book your camp site at Teewah Beach has changed. The open camping area has been divided into seven separate camping zones, allowing campers to choose a zone to camp before arriving at the site.

- **Sand-boarding is dangerous:** Do not run, roll or slide down sand dunes. Serious injury or death could result.

- **Do not climb sand dunes:** Walking and climbing the sand dunes in Cooloola Recreation Area is prohibited. High risk areas are marked by safety signs. Visitors must stay outside the marked areas.

Camping and day-use areas  

- **Maintenance works and closures:** Planned maintenance at Searys Creek 19-30 April, Searys Creek will be CLOSED 19-23 April & 26-30 April.

- **Inskip Peninsula camping area:** A person must not camp for longer than 30 days during any period of 60 consecutive days, with the initial 60 day period commencing from the first day a person camps under a camping permit, and continues for every 60 days following. At the conclusion of 30 days camping within 60 consecutive days, a person must: remove all their possessions and property from the Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area; and not camp again in the Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area until after the 60 day period has elapsed.

- **Red Canyon** is temporarily closed due to unstable sand cliffs and landslides making the area dangerous.

Track and beach conditions  

- **Insipk Peninsula** – the beach access track through the QLD Maritime Authority navigation lights cutting is currently not traversable at the beach end, due to erosion caused by recent weather events.

- **Very high tides in excess of 2m are expected 28 April-01 May, & 11-14 May 2021.**

- **Take care when driving on our beautiful beaches.** The Driving on sand Safety Guide provides some helpful information for four-wheel driving on sand to help you and your guests stay safe. Driving on sand safety guide (PDF, 2MB)

- **Landslips** occur often along the Coloured Sands in the Wide Bay section of Rainbow Beach, and may reduce access. Do not climb sand dunes or park near their base.

- **Leisha Track** – is a strictly no parking zone. Do not park and leave your vehicle at any point on the track.

- **Protect turtles:** The beaches across Cooloola are a nesting and hatching site for endangered marine turtles during the breeding season November to April. To help protect marine turtles, keep off the dunes, never drive or park on the dunes, and only use established access tracks to campsites. Do not interfere with turtle nests, eggs, or hatchlings, and stay well clear of nesting turtles leaving the water or crossing the beach. It is recommended that visitors avoid driving on the beach after dark during turtle hatching season (January to April).

- **Double Island Point:** Vehicle access on the northern side of the Peninsula, on either side of the Leisha Track entrance, is limited due to the natural movement of the saltwater lagoon.

- **Teewah Beach:** The camping area beachfront speed limit is 50km/hr. Check your speed and always drive to the conditions.

Walking track conditions  

- **Long Walks: OPEN - Cooloola Great Walk and Cooloola Wilderness Trail long walks are open.**

- **Short Walks: OPEN – Short walks to Carlo Sandblow, Double Island Point, Poona Lake, Freshwater Lake, Mill Point, and Kinaba. CLOSED - The southern section of the Cooloola Wilderness Trail from Elanda Point to Fig Tree Point is not accessible due to the Kin Kin Creek walk bridge having washed away during flooding. Planning for a new bridge is underway. Fig Tree Point camping area is only accessible from Harry’s Hut to the north.**

Neighbourhood Police Beat  

- **All road rules apply when driving on the beach.** Observe speed signage. Police patrol regularly.

Tide times
(Noosa Heads)

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Speed limits
Unless otherwise signposted:
80km/h – beach
50km/h - Teewah Beach camping area
30km/h – inland Upper Noosa River
6 Knots, no wash

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