Tide variations
The timing of tides can vary across Mulgumpin (Moreton Island). The following adjustments should be applied when planning travel on the island.
- Eastern Beach (Eager’s Creek) is 50 mins earlier than Tangalooma Point.
- Kooringal is 15 mins earlier than Tangalooma Point.
Camping and Facilities

For all camping or vehicle access permit enquiries visit [mulgumpincamping.net.au](http://mulgumpincamping.net.au) or phone (07) 3506 2371.

Ensure you have checked barge operation times and tidal conditions to allow for safe travel to and from the island.

The Department of Environment and Science (DES) continues to monitor and receive guidance in relation to COVID-19. All visitors should practice social distancing and hygiene protocols in line with advice provided by the Queensland Chief Health Officer.

Beach driving conditions

Recent heavy rainfall has caused many creeks to overflow, creating steep drop offs on both eastern and western beaches. There are several deep, water holes on some access tracks and drivers should use caution and check water depth before attempting all water crossings. Migratory birds are currently resting on Mulgumpin beaches, please do not drive through resting flocks as they need to feed and rest before their flight onwards.

**Tangalooma to Kooringal** (western beach) is accessible 2 hours either side of low tide.

**Tangalooma to Bulwer** (western beach) access is mid to low tide; use caution when crossing creeks.

**Bulwer to North Point** (via northern beach) is constantly changing and rarely trafficable due to the natural outflow of the Heath island tidal creek system. Sand erosion is apparent between Comboyuro Point and Yellow Patch, use caution when traversing this area. Shallow creeks and draining gutters can be boggy in this area and caution is required before attempting any water crossing.

**Cape Moreton to Mirapool Bypass** (eastern beach) Travel is not advised 2 hours either side of high tide as vehicles can become stuck between the dunes and the waves. Do not drive on the top of the sand ledges as they can slump away causing a vehicle roll over. Sand on the beach side of Mirapool lagoon can be very boggy, vehicles should allow a good distance from the lagoon to avoid becoming bogged.

**North Point** – low tide vehicle access only to North Point beach due to shifting dune. Beach hazards such as steep hidden banks, fallen trees and washouts are likely in this area. Travel two hours either side of low tide only.

**Yellow Patch** – beach lagoons and waterways are constantly changing. Access to Bulwer via the Five Hills Road is currently only available 2 hours either side of low tide. Caution: expect unstable edges and sand dunes along shoreline that have slumped due to erosion.

Inland track conditions

Roads and tracks are currently reasonably firm and remain trafficable. Tracks are likely to slowly deteriorate without further rainfall.

**Cowan Bypass** is good at time of report but can deteriorate quickly with drying and heavy traffic. Care should be taken when traversing.

**Bulwer-North Point Road** (via Five Hills) is firm with some rough sections. Suitable for high clearance 4WD vehicles only.

**Bulwer-Blue Lagoon Road** is soft in some sections but trafficable.

**Blue Lagoon day-use access track and carpark** all roads and walking tracks are now open.

**Middle Road** is regularly graded but quickly becomes rough and corrugated with some soft and boggy sections.

**Mirapool Bypass Road** is firm and suitable for high clearance 4WD vehicles.

**Tangalooma Bypass Road** is rough with some soft boggy sections.

**Mt Tempest Road** is open and in good condition, until the next heavy rainfall.

Walking track conditions

Telegram, Five Hills, the Rous and Tempest walking tracks are open and in reasonable condition. Take your own water and stay hydrated. **Note:** there are no water points along these walks. Check for Park Alerts before setting out and obey any track-closed signs.

General Alerts

- **QLD road rules apply and are enforced on island tracks and beaches.** Ensure that you acquire & display a valid vehicle access permit.

- **Low clearance and all-wheel drive vehicles are not suitable for Moreton Island.** Ensure your vehicle is in 4WD and freewheeling hubs (if fitted) are in the locked position. AVOID TRAVELLING IN 2WD AS THIS WILL CAUSE DAMAGE TO ROADS.

- **To avoid a fine drive only on officially constructed roads, tracks and beaches.** Driving on dunes, vegetated areas and on unofficial tracks is an offence and penalties can apply.

- **Reducing your tyre pressure will assist when driving on soft sand.** Remember to keep within the tyre manufacturer’s specifications, as reduced tyre pressure will affect your vehicle’s performance. When driving with reduced tyre pressure, avoid sharp turns, sudden braking, high speeds and driving over rough surfaces. Trailers will also be assisted by tyre pressures being reduced.

- **For beach driving, it is best travel at low tide or within two hours either side of low tide.**

- **Vehicle recovery equipment is essential.** Know where your recovery points are and how to use your recovery equipment.

- **Tangalooma Wrecks** - Visitors should obey all warning signs and not climb on or swim though the shipwreck structures. Avoid getting too close to the wrecks due to sharp, rusty edges. Swimmers should be competent as strong currents exist through this area.

- **Do not climb or sand toboggan on the sand dunes just north of the barge landing area.** Obey all warning signs.

- **Private Vehicle Recovery Service** - Moreton Island Recovery Service on 07 3408 3545 (0414 949876) or (0475 563642).

- **Marine Animal Strandings** - Contact 1300 130 376 to report any injured or dead dugong, turtles, whales or dolphins.

- **Additional Information** - Check Park Alerts for updates and information regarding changes to park conditions.

- Report all bushfires to 000 (triple zero) emergency services. If no mobile reception, try 112.