

Cooloola conditions report

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Fire danger, weather warnings, alerts and emergencies (Updated 16 October 2018)

- **Park Alerts** exist for Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area, Teewah Beach camping zone, and Upper Noosa River Campsites.
- **Large swell** conditions potentially cause severe beach erosion and beach hazards for several days. Drive with extreme care on open beaches. Set up camps well above high tide line. People must not drive on dunes. Drive only when conditions are suitable. Temporary vehicle access restrictions may apply around high tide times on Teewah Beach. Observe all signage, barriers and directions from rangers. Keep updated of weather conditions via www.bom.gov.au and ABC local radio.
- **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. Unstable sand cliffs with falling boulders and landslides make this activity dangerous. High risk areas are marked by safety signs. Visitors must stay outside the marked areas.
- **Teewah Beach camping area:** Campers are advised to take note of the number of the nearest positioning marker in case of an emergency. These yellow triangular markers help emergency services respond quicker to your location.



Camping and day-use areas

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- **Searys Creek day-use area CLOSED** due to severe weather and storm damage.
- **Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area:** A nearshore landslip that occurred at Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area on Monday 24 September 2018 has caused a large, deep hole to form. All camping areas and beach driving areas at Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area remain open, be aware of the hazard and exercise caution at all times.
- **Teewah Beach camping zone:** Some restrictions to the camping zone on Teewah Beach have been implemented following dislodged rocks in the area. High risk areas are marked by fencing and safety signs. Visitors must stay outside the marked areas.
- **Upper Noosa River Campsites CLOSED:** Upper Noosa River campsites, including Figtree Point and Harry's Hut are temporarily closed due to severe weather and storm damage. Noosa River is closed above the Kinaba Information Centre.
- **Teewah Beach:** The camping area beachfront speed limit is 50km/hr. Check your speed and always drive to the conditions.
- **Teewah Beach:** Beach soak & underground water in the camping zone is unfit for drinking, cooking, showering & swimming.
- **Inskip Peninsula Recreation Area:** Dogs must be on a leash and under control at all times. Handlers must clean up after dog/s.



Track and beach conditions

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Remember: Only high clearance 4WDs are recommended on beaches and inland tracks. All-wheel drives, vehicles towing trailers, boats and vans may have difficulty. Stay alert for hazards and always drive to the conditions.

Inland track conditions: (refer to map for general road conditions).

- **Poona Lake Track is CLOSED due to severe weather and storm damage**
- **Kings Bore circuit track is CLOSED due to severe weather and storm damage**
- **Poverty Point Road:** Sandy and boggy in sections. Exercise caution.

Beach conditions:

- **Erosion:** Recent weather has caused some erosion. Hazards such as landslips, washouts, eroded dunes, sand depressions, fallen trees, exposed coffee rock and debris including logs may be present.
- **Landslip:** Occur often along the Wide Bay section of beachfront and may reduce access. Always check tide and swell conditions before travel and exercise caution. Do not climb sand dunes or park near their base.
- **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.
- **Marine Stingers** and other dangerous sea life are present, especially during summer, in K'gari (Fraser Island) and Cooloola waters.

Upper Noosa River conditions:

- The upper Noosa River, north of Kinaba Information Centre is currently **CLOSED** due to severe weather and flooding.



Walking track conditions

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- **Cooloola Wilderness Trail is CLOSED due to severe weather and storm damage.**
- **Cooloola Great Walk is CLOSED due to severe weather and storm damage.** Observe all signage, barriers and directions and do not enter closed areas.



Neighbourhood Police Beat

- Secure camping, boating and fishing gear and other valuables, especially when asleep or away from camp or vehicle.
- All road rules apply when driving on the beach. Observe speed signage. Police patrol regularly.
- **Non urgent incidents – Policelink 131 444.**

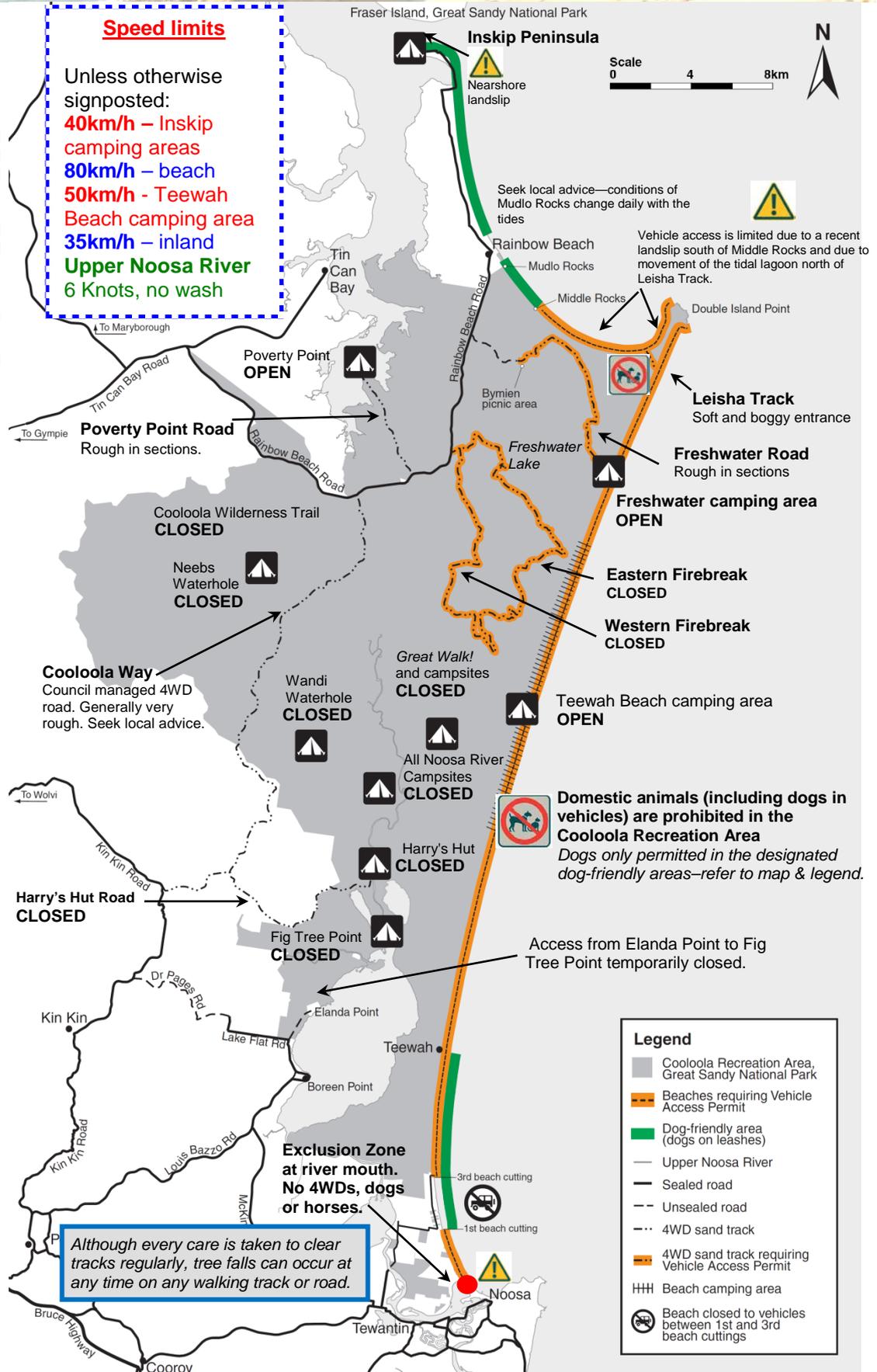
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Tide times (Noosa Heads)			
OCTOBER		OCTOBER	
Time	m	Time	m
16	0013 1.19 0602 0.68 TU 1318 1.57 2022 0.78	29	0423 0.43 1107 1.88 MO 1740 0.63 2315 1.31
17	0143 1.16 0717 0.76 WE 1437 1.56 2131 0.75	30	0517 0.53 1208 1.80 TU 1859 0.67
18	0314 1.21 0853 0.79 TH 1540 1.59 2225 0.69	31	0031 1.22 0628 0.61 WE 1323 1.76 2027 0.64
19	0414 1.30 1003 0.75 FR 1630 1.64 2308 0.62	NOVEMBER	
20	0501 1.40 1056 0.69 SA 1714 1.69 2346 0.54	1	0218 1.23 0758 0.64 TH 1441 1.76 2136 0.56
21	0541 1.50 1142 0.63 SU 1752 1.73	2	0334 1.33 0920 0.60 FR 1545 1.78 2231 0.46
22	0019 0.46 0619 1.61 MO 1223 0.57 1827 1.76	3	0435 1.46 1027 0.53 SA 1639 1.81 2317 0.36
23	0051 0.40 0654 1.70 TU 1300 0.51 1901 1.77	4	0525 1.60 1123 0.46 SU 1728 1.83 2358 0.27
24	0121 0.34 0729 1.80 WE 1338 0.47 1935 1.77	5	0610 1.74 1214 0.40 MO 1813 1.82
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26	0224 0.26 0845 1.95 FR 1459 0.45 2050 1.66	7	0113 0.17 0736 1.94 WE 1348 0.36 1938 1.72
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28	0338 0.34 1015 1.94 SU 1638 0.56 2220 1.43	9	0221 0.23 0855 1.96 FR 1514 0.47 2054 1.52



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