

NORTHERN & WESTERN SOUTH AUSTRALIAN OUTBACK ROADS TEMPORARY CLOSURES, RESTRICTIONS AND WARNINGS REPORT

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A new report will be issued when any road conditions change.

This report is also available by calling 1300 361 033 or by visiting the Outback Road Warnings website at www.dit.sa.gov.au

Before travel in the outback check weather reports and forecasts for rainfall and flood warnings by visiting the Bureau of Meteorology at www.bom.gov.au

To report Road Hazards and Incidents please call 1800 018 313

Roads Temporarily Closed	
ROAD SECTION	COMMENTS
Arrabury Road	Due to rain damage.
Birdsville Inside Track	Due to flooding.
Cooper Creek Ferry Crossing Road	Due to flood damage until further notice.
Cordillo Downs Road - Arrabury turn off to SA/QLD Border	Due to rain damage and impassable sections. Note: Open to 4WD vehicles only from Arrabury Turnoff to Cordillo Station.
Cordillo Downs Road - Innamincka to Arrabury turn off	Due to rain damage. Note: open from Innamincka to Bookaburdie for 4WD & Heavy Vehicles only. Caution at bulldust areas. Drive to conditions.

4WD Only (under 3 tonne / no towing)	
ROAD SECTION	COMMENTS
Balcanoona to Blinman	High clearance 4WD only. Caution at creek crossings and floodways.
Birdsville Track - SA Border to Mungeranie	Between SA Border and 70km mark extreme caution when travelling through single vehicle wide sections and deep wheel rutted areas. Caution at soft edges and scoured areas. Drive to conditions. NO TOWING.
Mungeranie - Kalamurina	Extreme caution at washouts, scours and rutting, follow detours. Drive to conditions.
Rawnsley Park - Martins Well	Open to high clearance 4WD vehicles only with caution at creek crossing, washouts and wheel rutting.
Wirrealpa to Oraparinna	High clearance 4WD only. Caution at creek crossings and floodways

4WD/HV Only	
ROAD SECTION	COMMENTS
Birdsville Track - Mungeranie to Marree	Caution at creek crossings and rutted sections.
Merty Merty - Cameron Corner	Exercise extreme caution at flagged sections due to large bulldust holes on the crests of sand hills. Beware of oncoming vehicles; keep left. Caution at soft sections. Allow for extended travel times due to prevailing road conditions.
Strzelecki Track - Innamincka to Merty Merty	Caution in areas with narrow road widths and soft edges. Drive to road conditions.
Strzelecki Track - Merty Merty to Mt Hopeless	Caution at wheel rutting - drive to conditions.
Strzelecki Track - Mt Hopeless to Lyndhurst	Caution at wheel ruts. Drive to conditions.
Tea Tree - Yunta	Caution at creek crossings. Caution also at roadworks from Yunta for 10km. Speed restrictions are in place; follow direction from road crews when driving through the site.

Roads Open with Warnings		
ROAD SECTION	COMMENTS	
Brachina Gorge Road	Suitable for high clearance vehicles only due to rocky creek sections. Drive to conditions.	
Bunyeroo Gorge Road	Caution at stony section through Bunyeroo Creek (approx. 50m)	
Coober Pedy - William Creek	Caution wheel rutting, bulldust holes and corrugations.	
Farina to Mulgaria via Witchelina	Caution at soft creek crossings.	
Hideaway to Curnamona via Martins Well	Caution at creek crossings and rough sections. Drive to conditions.	
Innamincka - Nappa Merrie	Caution at sections where seal has been damaged.	
Iron Knob to Hiltaba	Caution at creek crossings & scours in Nonning to Siam station areas.	
Lyndhurst - Marree	Caution due to damaged seal. Be aware of speed restrictions at various locations.	
Mintabie Road	Caution at wheel rutting and road scours.	
Mt Hopeless - Balcanoona (via Moolawatana)	Caution at floodways and creek crossings. Drive to Conditions	
Oodnadatta Track - Maria to Oodnadatta	Caution at roadworks approximately 80kms from Marla. Speed restrictions are in place, follow direction from road crews when driving through the site.	
Oodnadatta Track - Oodnadatta to William Creek	Caution - slow down at all creek crossings and floodways.	
Oodnadatta Track - William Creek to Marree	Caution at heavy corrugations in the Coward Springs area.	
Roxby Downs to Bopeechee (Borefield Road)	Caution at soft sections and bulldust holes.	
Tarcoola - Glendambo	Caution at bulldust holes and soft sections.	
The Knob - Mt Fitton Mine	Caution at creek crossings.	
Thurlga Station to Kimba	Caution at washouts and wheel ruts.	
Yardea Station to Minnipa	Caution at corrugated sections.	

Special Notices

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Public Access Routes

Public Access Routes (PARs) are established under the Pastoral Land Management and Conservation Act 1989 (PLMC Act) to provide public access over pastoral land without the need for travellers to ask permission from the lessee. Any travel other than that on a public road or PAR requires prior approval from the lessee of the respective pastoral lease.

Pursuant to section 45 (7) of the PLMC Act, the Pastoral Board may temporarily close a PAR for the purposes of the safety of the public, the management of stock or the carrying out of rehabilitative work on the land adjacent to the route.

PARs are not roads or part of the formal road network. They are unimproved and unsurfaced dirt tracks intended to provide four-wheel drive access in dry conditions only. Conditions such as washouts and corrugations maybe present. Drive to track conditions with caution. All PARs are currently OPEN unless listed below.

Temporary PAR Closures Until Further Notice:

PAR Number 2 Level Post Bay

PAR Number 5 Patawarta Gap

PAR Number 9 Warraweena

PAR Number 15 K1 Warburton - due to flooding

PAR Number 16 Walkers Crossing- due to flooding

For further information, refer to www.environment.sa.gov.au/topics/landscape-sa/pastoral-leases-in-south-australia/camping-and-travelling-across-a-pastoral-lease

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