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Update on Barkly Highway

Wednesday, 28 January 2009

Dispatched at 1.20pm CST

Roadtrains will be allowed to cross the reconstructed section of the Barkly Highway tomorrow.

It follows an assessment of the condition of the road after rains in the area.

To minimise their impact on the rebuilt road, roadtrains will be only be allowed to carry 80 per cent of their legal load limit. Inspectors at Barkly Homestead, Avon Downs police station and Camooweal, will examine trucks to ensure drivers comply with this regulation.

Further assessments of the condition of the road may dictate changes to load limits.

The regulatory times for the movement of traffic continue to be enforced. West bound traffic is allowed one way access from 6am to 11.30am Northern Territory time. East bound traffic is allowed one way access from 12.30pm to 5pm Northern Territory time.

No travel is allowed outside these times.

Traffic controllers will continue be stationed at the Barkly Homestead, Camooweal, and at the work site.

Motorists are asked to travel slowly and exercise extreme care when travelling through the work site.

Motorists are being urged to refer to the Department's Road Report website before travelling on the Barkly, and across all roads in the Territory, to receive updated road condition information on all Government-controlled roads, including graphical representations of restrictions on regional maps.

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