



## Water over Victoria River Bridge

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The Victoria Highway is still closed at the Victoria River Bridge 200 km west of Katherine. The water level is now 1.75 metres over the bridge and rising.

Variable message boards have been set up in Kununurra and Katherine advising travellers of the closure.

The bridge may be shut for several days. The gates on the approach to the bridge have been locked.

The Department's road report website, and the variable message boards in Katherine and Kununurra, will be updated throughout the weekend as conditions change. People driving to the bridge will be turned back.

Work began today on the eroded section of the Carpentaria Highway at October Creek, 170 km east of the Stuart Highway. The road was damaged by floodwaters, but remains open to light vehicles and standard sized trucks.

Oversized trucks are being halted in the vicinity until the repairs have been completed. It is expected they will be allowed to pass on Monday.

Further information is available at [www.roadreport.nt.gov.au](http://www.roadreport.nt.gov.au) and 1800 246 199.

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