COVID-19 Community Update



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TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS INTO WEIPA

The Australian Government have commenced enforcing travel restrictions regarding people entering into designated biosecurity zones.

This means that the State Government is now controlling the entry process into these designated areas across Cape York, including Weipa.

The categories for eligibility for entry into Weipa is outlined in this legislation.

Please be aware that if you are not conducting an <u>essential activity</u>, as listed in the legislation, you will need to demonstrate that you:

- Have been isolated from the general public for 14 days before entry into Weipa;
- Have not shown signs and symptoms of Coronavirus;
- You have not been exposed to the virus or to someone with symptoms of Coronavirus
- And complete a <u>Special Consideration to Enter Communities application</u> prior to entry. Please submit completed forms to admin@weipatownauthority.com.au at least 2 business days prior to travelling.

This new legislation also means that residents are permitted to travel within their designated biosecurity area, however all local restrictions (i.e. closure of country) must be adhered to. Please see here the Queensland Designated BioSecurity Area map https://www.niaa.gov.au/sites/default/files/publications/Designated Biosecurity Areas Qld.pdf

The Weipa LDMG implores all residents to listen to the Australian Government's recommendation to stay home unless you are: shopping for essentials, receiving medical care, exercising or travelling to work or education.

Please be aware that due to the evolving nature of the COVID-19 situation, advice and information is changing rapidly. We advise all residents to check in on our dashboard and social media for updates on local information. QLD health should continue to be your first point of contact for any COVID-19 developments. Visit <u>https://www.health.qld.gov.au/</u>. The Federal Government also has a range of resources including a WhatsApp channel and Coronavirus Australia Government app available. Please visit <u>www.health.gov.au</u> for more information.

LINKS TO TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS IN THE CAPE

Napranum:

Non-essential travel restrictions to Napranum community:

http://www.napranum.qld.gov.au/blog/non-esssential-travel-to-napranum

All access to DOGIT except essential services closed

http://www.napranum.qld.gov.au/blog/closure-of-country-26th-march-2020





Mapoon:

Travel Restrictions To and From Mapoon

https://www.mapoon.qld.gov.au/wp-content/uploads/MASC-Covid-Travel-Restricions.pdf

https://www.weipatownauthority.com.au/downloads/file/482/old-mapoon-closure-of-country-as-at-27-03-2020

Aurukun:

Travel Restrictions To and From Aurukun:

https://scontent-syd2-1.xx.fbcdn.net/v/t1.0-9/s960x960/90428632_2450547385046084_3262214144497025024_o_png2_nc_cat=111&_nc_sid=8 024bb&_nc_ohc=Was1L23anbsAX-kOeYs&_nc_ht=scontent-syd2-1.xx&oh=046bbeb2c7660d78361f00e79f28f2ce&oe=5EA5E26D

NPA and Torres Strait:

Travel Restrictions To and From the NPA area and the Torres Strait

https://www.nparc.qld.gov.au/downloads/file/916/covid-19

https://www.nparc.qld.gov.au/downloads/file/917/covid_19-tsldmg-21-march-2020

https://www.nparc.qld.gov.au/downloads/file/923/ts-npa-restrictions