

Grampians National Park Access Update

October 2018

From time to time Grampians National Park may have temporary closures in place due to damage caused by storms, floods and bushfires. Regular maintenance programs, pest plant and animal programs and major construction projects may also require temporary closures. **Prior to heading out into the park, always check for any closures on the list below.** Check in at Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre, 2.5km south of Halls Gap township; check for other related publications online at: <http://parkweb.vic.gov.au/explore/parks/grampians-national-park>, call 13 1963 or ask at an accredited Visitor Information Centre

Temporarily Closed Walking Tracks and Day Visitor Sites

- Mackenzie River Walk and Silverband Falls (Temporary closures for flood recovery occurring Oct – Nov. Signage will be posted at trailhead over days of closure)
- Fyans Creek Loop and Mt. Stapylton walk (Walking tracks will remain open. However, please take caution around flood recovery track works)
- Golton Gorge walking track and Picnic area (re-alignment works in progress. Picnic area TBC)
- Ngamadjidj Car Park and Walking Track (Re-development scheduled Aug - Dec)

Rock Climbing Access

- Main Wall (Summerday Valley) (closed - fire damage and cultural heritage redevelopment pending)

Closed Roads and Tracks

Seasonal Gate closures are in place. Rainfall and recent grading has made all unsealed roads and tracks very soft and muddy. 4WD recommended for all unsealed roads. Two-wheel drives on bitumen road network. Stay off closed tracks. See notable warnings below:

- Roses Creek Road (Ongoing works – heavy traffic; Caution)
 - Glenelg River Road (Recently graded – slippery after rain)
 - Mt. Difficult Road has been reopened
 - Victoria Range and Goat Track have been reopened
- Please check the weekly road report on Parkweb for more detailed information.

Closed Walking Tracks

- Mt. Abrupt walking track (Closed 8/10 – 22/10)
- Golton Gorge walking track (Redevelopment underway)
- Mt Stapylton Loop (Pohlner rd to Summit East section – redevelopment planned) Lower link to Campground open.
- Longpoint East Hikers camp to Plantation Campground/Boroka Lookout (Re-alignment planned for GPT to access Halls Gap. Track Closure to Plantation campground)
- Mt Difficult walking track (from Troopers Ck campground – permanently closed)

Closed Campgrounds

- Coppermine Bush Camps (Closed due to fire recovery - GPT Redevelopment planned)
- Troopers Creek Campground (Permanently closed due to fire recovery)
- Briggs Bluff Hiker Campsite GR 294 055 & Mt Difficult Hiker Campsite GR 284 030 (Permanently closed)

Other Works Underway

- Briggs bluff realignment – no closure in place but respect workers and machinery.

GRAMPIANS PEAKS TRAIL

Stage 2 planning and works are underway on what will be one of Victoria's iconic long-distance walks. Permits and offsets are being finalised for vegetation removal along new sections of the trail.

Current Works: (60 km complete, finalizing minor works on tracks listed below)

- Mt Stapylton re-development (Summit access)
- Mt Abrupt re-development
- Major Mitchell Plateau (Final section near complete)

Upcoming Works (Dates to be Confirmed):

- Alignment finalisation on new sections
 - Mt Abrupt to Dunkeld
 - Between Dead Bullock Creek and Halls Gap
- Stage two – 100km of new track scoping underway, track clearing going to contract, tender on new tracks beginning 2019.

Further Information

For updates on camping, walking and driving opportunities in the park, call into Brambuk the National Park and Cultural Centre in Halls Gap, visit a local Visitor Information Centre or call Parks Victoria on 13 1963