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## **BOGEY HOLE TO REMAIN CLOSED WHILE CLIFF RISKS ARE ASSESSED**

Public access to the Bogey Hole off King Edward Park, its access track and the viewing platform will remain closed while the Department of Primary Industries - Lands (DPI Lands) awaits the findings of further site investigations.

“DPI Lands has completed a selection process to undertake further geo-technical investigations and remediation options. Cardno Geotech Solutions was engaged to undertake the work and this commenced in the week starting 4 January 2016” said Alison Stone, Deputy Director General Land and Natural Resources.

In the meantime, signage notifying the public of cliff instability and hazards has been placed on security fencing at the site and additional signage indicating the Bogey Hole closure and has been placed at popular walkways around King Edward Park.

DPI Lands acknowledges that the Bogey Hole is a popular destination, though urges the community to pay attention to the signage which is aimed at ensuring public safety.

People are advised to stay on the accessible paths and on the public side of the fences and barriers and to please use the ocean baths at Newcastle or Merewether Beaches or other patrolled beaches in the area for swimming over the holiday period.

The investigations and consideration of options will continue and information updates will continue through the DPI Lands' web site [www.crownland.nsw.gov.au](http://www.crownland.nsw.gov.au)

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