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Member for Ginninderra

## **RESPONSE TO QUESTION ON NOTICE** Questions on Notice Paper No 1 6 December 2024 **Question No. 104**

MS CLAY MLA - To ask the Minister for City and Government Services:

- (1) Which locations does the Parks and Conservation Service consider popular nature swim spots.
- (2) For the locations of (a) Casuarina Sands, (b) Kambah Pool, (c) Uriarra Crossing, (d) Pine Island, (e) Cotter Bend and (f) any location listed in the response to part (1), which locations have (i) swim safety signage, (ii) life saving equipment and (iii) mobile phone reception.

## MINISTER CHEYNE MLA - The answer to the Member's question is as follows:

(1) The ACT Parks and Conservation Service (PCS) considers that Casuarina Sands, Casuarina Pool, Cotter Campground, Cotter Bend, Cotter Avenue, Swamp Creek, Uriarra East, Uriarra West, Kambah Pool, Kambah Rockpool, Pine Island Central, Pine Island South, Point Hut, Tharwa Bridge, Angle Crossing, and Murrays Corner are popular nature swim locations for the Canberra community. These have been determined through the observations of PCS Rangers in relation to public visitation.

(2)

- All 16 locations listed in the answer to question one, plus the Tharwa Sandwash, have swim safety signage installed;
- ii. Nine locations have life buoys (Casuarina Sands x2, Casuarina Pool, Cotter Campground, Cotter Bend, Swamp Creek, Uriarra East x2, Uriarra West) which are being trialled;

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iii. Six locations have mobile phone reception (Kambah Pool, Kambah Rockpool, Pine Island Central, Pine Island South, Point Hut, Tharwa Bridge), and two locations have emergency landlines (Cotter Campground and Casuarina Sands).

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**Minister for City and Government Services** 

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