

Welcome to Googong Foreshores



Welcome to Googong! As you settle into your new home, you'll discover that having Googong Foreshores at your doorstep is a real privilege.

Googong Dam's main function is to supply water for Canberra and Queanbeyan and now Googong, so water quality is the highest priority.

Googong Dam and its foreshores also offer unique opportunities for activities that do not compromise the drinking water quality.

There are scenic picnic areas, bushwalking tracks, mountain bike trails, and the opportunity for sailing and fishing on the dam itself.

Activities not allowed at Googong Foreshores include anything that brings you in direct contact with the water, direct water access of livestock and domestic pets, petrol powered water crafts and runoff from human habitation (including roads, on-site septic systems and weed spraying).

However, you can swim and paddle nearby at downstream picnic area, and the Queanbeyan River.

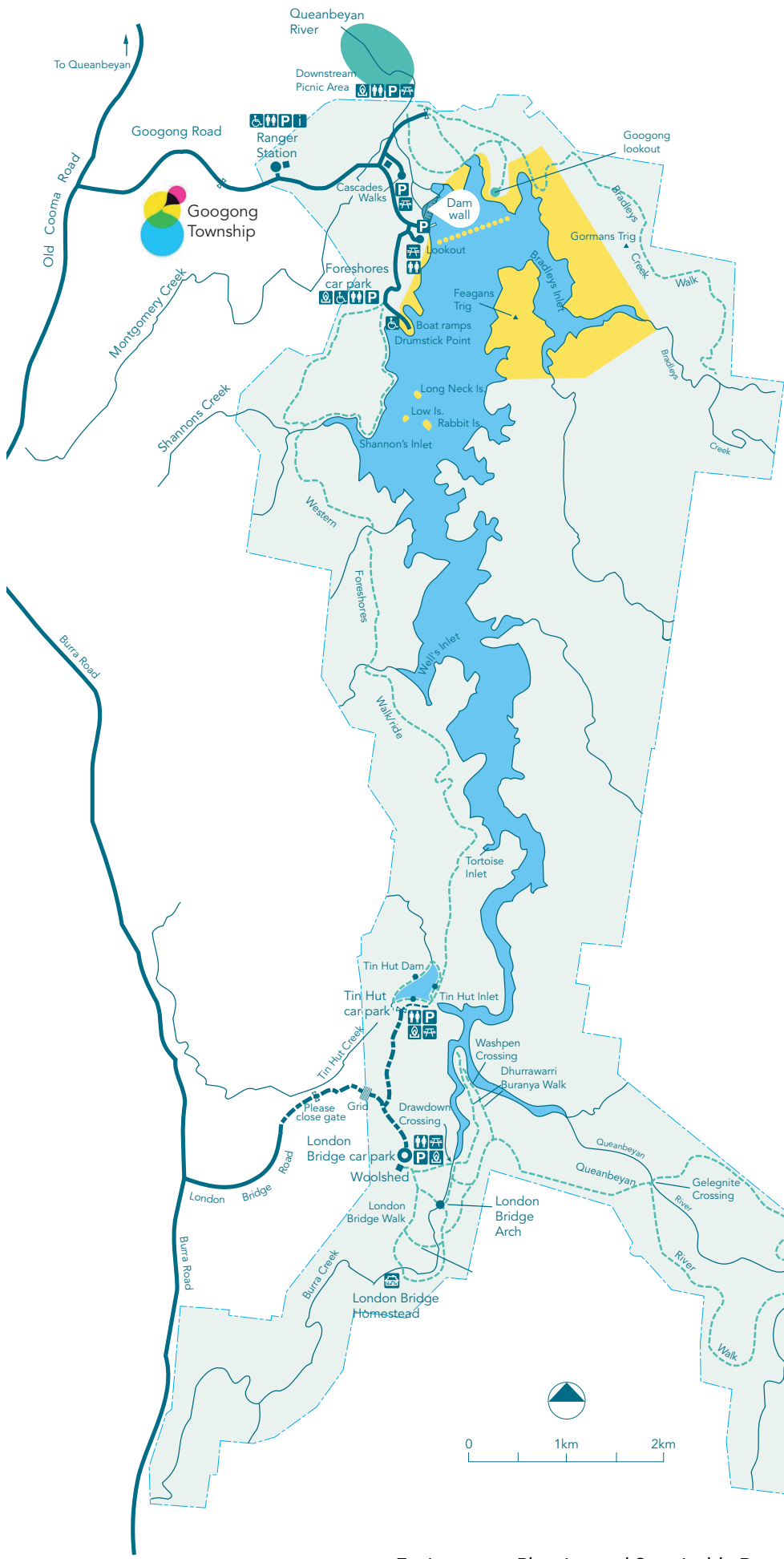
Activities around the Dam and foreshores compatible with keeping water quality safe include:

	Mountain bike riding on formed roads	Mountain bike riding is permitted around Googong Dam on formed roads only.
	Picnicking areas (take all your rubbish with you)	There are plenty of picnic areas at different locations around the dam.
	Bushwalking	There are also a number of walking tracks around the dam.
	Fishing (with a current NSW fishing licence)	Size limits and bag limits apply. A NSW fishing license is required.
	Kayaking, sail boating, electric watercraft only	Kayaks, sail boats and electric watercraft are permitted on Googong Dam, however life jackets must be worn.

Because of contaminants, bacteria and viruses the following activities are not permitted*:

	No dogs	Dogs are not allowed at Googong Foreshores including the dam.
	No swimming or diving	Swimming is not permitted. Human and animal contact with the water can transmit human infectious disease.
	No petrol powered boats	Petrol powered boats are not allowed on Googong Dam.
	No body contact with water. Wading in water is not allowed	Minimal contact required to launch a vessel is allowed but paddleboarding, water skiing and windsurfing are not permitted at Googong.

*Significant penalties apply



The land surrounding the Googong Dam is managed by ACT Parks and Conservation Service.

- Sealed road
- Unsealed road
- Walking track/management trail
- No boats past this point
- Fishing from, or landing on the bank is not permitted in this area
- Access to islands is prohibited
- Swimming and wading permitted
- Googong Foreshores boundary
- NO dogs
- NO wading
- NO swimming
- NO motorized boats
- NO diving
- Car park
- Toilets
- Picnic area
- Gas barbecue
- Gate (unlocked/locked)
- Bird Hide

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