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Are you ready for a rockfall?

Residents and visitors to Christmas Island should be aware that rockfall and landslide hazards exist in parts of Flying Fish Cove and the Kampong residential area. Understanding these risks and responding promptly helps protect your safety and the safety of others.

The risks of rockfall and landslides increase during the wet season periods of heavy rainfall, high winds, or seismic activity. In the event of high rainfall, or after a rockfall or landslide, warning signals may be activated. If emergency personnel direct you to leave, evacuate the area immediately.

No access behind berms or rockfall fences is permitted at any time for the safety of the community. If a landslide or rockfall event occurs, access to the affected areas may be restricted, in line with the Landslide Risk Management Plan.

A yellow bollard, chains and road closure signage have replaced the boom gate at the Marine Building. These controls may be used to close the road at the AFP Boat Shed during periods of high rainfall or following a rockfall or landslide. No vehicle or pedestrian access will be permitted beyond the closure point, including the Jetty and the Boat Ramp. Other road closures and speed limitations may also be implemented as required.

If an evacuation is required, the AFP or an authorised Australian Government official will contact affected residents and building occupants directly. Remain alert to changes in your surroundings, particularly after periods of heavy rainfall or strong winds.

If you see or hear or become aware of rockfalls or a landslide, even if they do not affect the Kampong area, report it immediately to the on-call Australian Federal Police on 9164 8444. All notifications are recorded and monitored by the Emergency Management Officer in conjunction with the Australian Federal Police.

Ahead of the wet season and increased cyclone risk, please review your storm preparedness safety plans, to best ensure you and your family's safety. The ongoing awareness and cooperation of the community is appreciated as we work to ensure your safety and protection.

If the risk increases, you may see:

- Flashing lights or warning signs in affected areas
- Updates on IOT News or 6RCI Community Radio
- Notifications on the Emergency WA app