The Government has called tenders for the supply and installation of a 48km stock fence along the public road through Labelle Downs Station, about 100km southwest of Darwin.

Transport and Infrastructure Minister Dr Chris Burns said access to the Bulgul and Channel Point communities via Labelle Downs Station had been a long-standing issue which is now nearing resolution.

“The Government declared a public road through Labelle Downs Station in January this year,” Dr Burns said.

“Part of that road is under construction. The contractor – C&S Earthmoving – should have the job finished by August.

“Government is now seeking tenders for the construction of a stock fence beside the road.

“The Government will also develop the Channel Point Reserve as part of its initiative to improve coastal access for recreational fishermen.”

The 250 hectare coastal reserve is located on the north-western side of Anson Bay, opposite the Peron Islands.

The Government has already allocated $620,000 to develop park infrastructure, including a boat launching facility, campground, a road, parking and interpretive signage.

Dr Burns said access to the coastal reserve will be via a permit system similar to that which exists for Coburg Peninsula.

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