Minister for Parks and Wildlife Bess Price said Litchfield National Park was a favourite with locals and tourists alike, being close to Darwin with magnificent swimming holes and camping areas.

“The project will see upgrades to Buley Rockhole, Florence Falls, Tjaynera Falls (Sandy Creek), Tolmer Falls and the Termite Mounds,” Minister Price said.

“These projects are vital to create employment opportunities and hundreds of jobs for local Territorians and support the local workers who contribute to help grow our economy.

“The Country Liberals Government is investing into our Parks to make them even more accessible to the public and improve the overall experience.”

Works have already been completed at Florence Falls car and coach parking areas, and it is expected a new boardwalk and toilet block will be completed next month at the Termite Mounds.

Works on the new picnic area and car park at Buley Rockhole are under way and are only weeks from completion.

“We are proud to have local contractors and local Territorians working on these substantial upgrades as well as local, indigenous companies,” Minister Price said.

“Visitor upgrades are currently taking place at Tolmer Falls, with construction of a new elevated shelter and raised walkway, a picnic area with shelter, a new toilet facility and a disability path.”

Government has also recently awarded a $1.1 million contract for work at the Florence Falls 2WD campground that will see sealing of the access road and increasing the number of campsites.

“These works, along with all the other projects will improve the amenity of one of our iconic and loved national parks, however due to safety reasons, we need to temporarily close the Florence Falls 2WD campground,” she said.

“It is anticipated that the works will be completed in mid to late June and throughout this time Wangi Falls campground will remain open.

“With the long weekend coming up, we also encourage people to camp at Tjuwaliyn (Douglas Hot Springs Park), Umbrarrawa Gorge, Nitmiluk Gorge or the many other great camping sites throughout our parks and reserves in the Top End.”

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