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Roebuck Bay back open to community

Roebuck Bay has been reopened for swimming, fishing and other marine activities with tests now showing that water quality has returned to normal levels.

Shire of Broome Environmental Health Officers have been taking water samples for testing since extreme weather and record rainfall on 30 January led to an influx into Roebuck Bay of stormwater and an overflow of diluted treated wastewater from Broome South wastewater treatment facility.

Testing shows that pathogens are now at satisfactory levels, and the WA Department of Health has advised that it is safe for contact with the water.

The Shire of Broome will continue to monitor conditions in Roebuck Bay, and thanks the community for its cooperation during the closure.

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