# Transcript

[Introduction music]

[On Screen text: A day in the life of a Park Ranger]

[Pan shots of Ormiston Ranger Station]

**Ranger Anthony Kenny:** On a daily basis we usually check the  whiteboard and that and get a mind set for the day ahead like tank temperatures and what we need to do at the shelters and

[Centre screen Ranger Anthony Kenny]

**Ranger Anthony Kenny:** check all the food drops and then I just go to the cars and start checking oils and water. Yeah just prepping for the day ahead of us.

[Rangers completing checks on work vehicles]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** You have a good idea of what you're doing at the start and it generally ends up being what  you've done by the end of the day,

[Centre screen: Ranger Elyce Fraser]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** but there are days like only a couple of weeks ago when I arrived in to work at eight o'clock, to two of my colleagues prepping to jump into a helicopter and do some firefighting on top of Mount Sonder.

[Centre screen: Ranger Anthony Kenny]

**Ranger** **Anthony Kenny:** Yeah we've got to helicopter in and then walk down.

[Centre screen: Ranger Elyce Fraser]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** That's probably not an ordinary day we don't do that all the time.

[Ranger Desmond driving work vehicle]

**Ranger Desmond Page:** A normal day for us is just going out doing patrols doing like water checks that kind of stuff, cleaning toilets as well.

[Rangers completing maintenance around the Tjoritja National Park]

**Ranger Desmond Page:** Filling up water tanks like we did this morning. Check the water levels just to save everybody from getting dehydrated, everybody needs water.

[Rangers Anthony and Desmond weeding]

**Ranger Desmond Page:** Doing a bit of weeding and obviously track maintenance as well.

**Ranger Anthony Kenny**: We're just taking care of a lot of our weeds a lot of our that Spinifex was stopping the possums from spreading around, so we'll burn that spinifex and make fire breaks and hopefully next rain everything will be coming back greener and more healthy.

[Rangers travelling in work vehicle]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** Just when you're sort of doing like your general normal sort ofroutine patrols you're always on the lookout for weeds and ferals**.**

[Ranger Elyce completing maintenance on work vehicle]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** But what Anthony and I are doing today is just some small motor checks just making sure they're all working properly, changing oil where we need to, replacing spark plugs trying to troubleshoot as much as we can.

**Ranger Anthony Kenny**: So we just check everything and make sure everything's maintained and working good.

[Ranger Anthony and Elyce working as a team while working on work vehicle]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** Okay snatch strap and shackles yes.

[Scenic shots of Tjoritja National Park]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** We participate in biodiversity surveys and have often helped some of our fauna scientists by setting camerasup in the ranges for central rock rats and cat management so it's pretty rewarding.

[Centre shot Ranger Anthony]

**Ranger Anthony Fraser:** I'm just setting up for the nature talk do it every second Wednesday.

[Ranger Desmond and Anthony driving work vehicle and communicating with campers]

[Centre shot Ranger Desmond]

**Ranger Desmond Page:** So we get to engage with a lot of bikers and tourism that comes throughthroughout the year especially this time of the year it's you know we get probably about 600 hikers that comes through the trail.

[Rangers educating campers]

**Ranger Anthony Kenny:** Just dig it up and then kind of snap that root and then grab a big grub out. Yeah a lot of vitamins and that though.

[Centre screen Ranger Elyce Fraser]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** In those opportunities where we do have to interact with the public are always such good opportunities to be able to educate them you know and just gives them an opportunity as well to see a ranger and to ask questions.

[Centre screen Ranger Anthony Kenny]

**Ranger Anthony Kenny:** Oh what I like about it, countryside especially working on yeah working on country, meeting different sorts of people and just a healthy environment and I love the outdoors.

[Scenic shots of Tjoritja National Park]

**Ranger Desmond Page:** I don't know if there's any worse part or not to being a ranger and being in this position there'snothing that I can actually have any negative sides of of being a ranger.

[Centre screen Ranger Anthony Kenny]

**Ranger Anthony Kenny:** Can't really say much apart from the flies when it's hot yeah. The fly's getting um everybody needs a fly mask I reckon.

[Scenic shots of national park]

**Ranger Desmond Page:** If you have the opportunity to come to Alice Springs you definitely got to come out toOrmiston or Ellery Creek as well another good spot.

[Centre screen Ranger Elyce]

**Ranger Elyce Fraser:** It's pretty spectacular to sort of have this responsibility and to really appreciate it.

[Centre screen Ranger Anthony Kenny]

**Ranger Anthony Kenny:** Yeah just check out your backyard in Australia hey.

[Outro music]

[Text on-screen, bottom middle: Rangering in the Territory. It’s not just a job, it’s a lifestyle]

[Middle right: Northern Territory Government logo]

[Middle left: Northern Territory Parks and Wildlife Commission logo]