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WA to allow heritage listing of rock art

Western Australian Premier Alan Carpenter says his Government will no longer oppose a Commonwealth move to have the Dampier Archipelago, including the Burrup rock art, heritage listed.

Woodside Petroleum today also withdrew its opposition to the listing, in return for a 6.8 square kilometre area being excised from heritage listing so the company can create a gas precinct.

Mr Carpenter says his Government will work with the Commonwealth to establish heritage boundaries.

"Clearly there needs to be some concession given to the industrial area that's already designated, or otherwise we face the very real prospect of things being shut down up there and I don't think anyone wants that," he said.