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Stand up for the Burrup demonstration at Woodside today

From 12:30pm on Monday January 22, 2007 a vigil will take place at the headquarters of Woodside in Perth to demonstrate against the relocation of rock art and destruction of the heritage values of the Burrup Peninsula.

Woodside announced last week that it has commenced work to remove ancient rock art from The Burrup, some of which is estimated to be more than 30,000 years old

“Woodside is needlessly vandalising the priceless heritage values of the Burrup when perfectly acceptable industrial land is just a few kilometres up the road,” FARA spokesperson Dr Sylvia Hallam said this morning.

“The Government has failed to stop the desecration of Burrup Peninsula rock art, meaning it is up to the community to take their concerns directly to Woodside.”

“This is a company that should seriously consider how further destruction on the Burrup will affect its’ reputation. These vigils will be the first of many opportunities for us to talk directly to people about how Woodside’s activities are ruining the ice age heritage of the Burrup.”

Dr Hallam said that there are other sites nearby that should be used for Woodside’s proposed Pluto LNG facility.

Where: Corner of St Georges Terrace and Milligan Street, Perth

When: Vigil 1 – Monday 22 January 2007, 12:30 – 1:30

Vigil 2 – Thursday 25 January 2007, 12:30 – 1:30

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