

Methanex hits heritage row

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RESOURCES giant Methanex is being investigated by the Department of Indigenous Affairs over claims that it has damaged an Aboriginal heritage site on Burrup Peninsula with drilling and site work at the King Bay-Hearson Cove marsh area last Saturday.

Methanex, which is waiting for approval to build a \$2 billion methanol plant, stopped work on Sunday, two days before it got a letter from lawyers for the Wong-goo-tt-oo native title claimant group.

Methanex area manager Larry Goodyear said the department had not been in touch and he stood by his company's conduct.

The Wong-goo-tt-oo group has lodged an appeal with Federal Heritage Minister David Kemp in a bid to overturn a clearance approved for Woodside Energy by WA Indigenous Affairs Minister Alan Carpenter last week.