

Senator Ian Campbell,
Minister for the Environment and Heritage
Parliament House
CANBERRA ACT 2600

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Emergency Listing of the Burrup Peninsula

The Burrup Peninsula is part of the proposed Dampier Archipelago. It has been nominated to the National Heritage List; place ID 105727, Place File No: 5/08/203/0056

The Burrup Peninsula is listed as a single Aboriginal site, on the Interim Register, as Site Number 23323 under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 (WA)*.

Dear Senator Campbell

As Members of the Australian Parliament we have a keen interest, indeed a national responsibility, to ensure the protection of the Rock Art of the Dampier region.

We have been made aware that work on Pluto site A is imminent and will shortly commence to relocate and/or destroy rock art (petroglyphs) and believe that the national heritage values of this place are under immediate and ongoing threat, and that a request for Emergency Listing is appropriate.

Woodside's proposed Pluto development at Site A on the Burrup Peninsula immediately threatens 165 Aboriginal rock engravings.

Please find enclosed additional information regarding the imminent threat to the national heritage values of the Dampier Rock Art Precinct for inclusion with this nomination.

Yours sincerely

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