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Potential win for The Burrup?

SEP 23, 2008 - The election of Colin Barnett as Premier opens the way for Murujuga/The Burrup to be included on the World Heritage List.

Friends of Australian Rock Art (FARA) say the Western Australian election has created great opportunities for World Heritage protection of Murujuga/The Burrup.

The Burrup Peninsula is home to the world's largest outdoor rock engraving site, containing rock art dating back 30,000 years. Woodside Petroleum plan to turn the sacred site into a gas production facility against the wishes of Aboriginal custodians and the scientific community.



Barnett has committed publicly to stopping further industrial development in the Dampier Archipelago. During the recent election campaign, Mr Barnett made a public statement opposing any further development on the Burrup/Murujuga, and to encourage further industrial expansion further south of the ancient petroglyph sites.