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## **Short list of Kimberley LNG precinct sites announced**

### **Portfolio: Premier, State Development**

The Barnett Government today released the Northern Development Taskforce's Site Evaluation Report on four potential sites for an LNG precinct in the Kimberley.

Released for a 28-day public consultation process, the report earmarks the four sites that best meet the criteria as Gourdon Bay, south of Broome, James Price Point and North Head, both on the Dampier Peninsula and Anjo Peninsula, on the far north Kimberley coast.

Premier Colin Barnett said each site had issues which would need to be addressed by Government, but the necessary work would be done to see the final site confirmed as quickly as possible.

"An LNG precinct site must be selected to enable the growth and prosperity of Western Australia," Mr Barnett said.

"It is a responsibility that has been neglected for the past eight years, but the State Government will ensure a decision is made in the best interests of the State.

"The four proposed sites have been identified after extensive consultation with stakeholders from the community, including environmental groups, the Aboriginal community, the tourism industry, local government, fisheries and aquaculture representatives.

"It's an indictment on the previous government that in eight years it could not select a site for developments to allow the growth of WA.

"For example, if government was better managed in the past, a site could have been selected and WA would not have lost the INPEX project, worth more than \$24billion to the State."

The Premier acknowledged the commitment and effort of the Aboriginal community in helping identify the sites in a constructive and timely manner.

Public submissions on the site options can be made until November 11.

The report is available at <http://www.doir.wa.gov.au/ndt> or by calling 9222 0568.

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