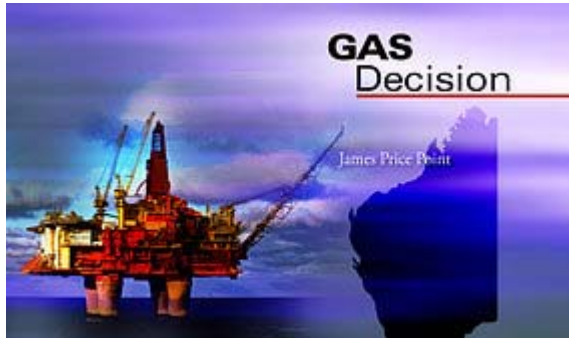


Government promises full assessment for gas hub

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WA gas hub decision

The Premier Colin Barnett says there will be a full environmental assessment of the site which has been named for a gas processing precinct in the Kimberley.

The State Government has chosen James Price Point north of Broome as

the site for the L-N-G hub.

Environmental groups say the development will be an disaster for marine life particularly for humpback whales which migrate to the area each year.

Mr Barnett says that is a legitimate issue and the site will be assessed for any environmental impact before the development goes ahead.

"I think there will be no conflict between shipping and whales, and by moving the plant well away from the major calving area, I don't believe there will be any impact," he said.

"But yes there will be a full environmental assessment of any development of any site on any area of WA."