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Council clears Burrup ammonia plant

Construction of the world's largest ammonia plant is expected to begin in a matter of weeks following planning approval by a shire in Western Australia's north-west.

The Shire of Roebourne has approved what will be the first of several major industrial projects proposed for the Burrup Peninsula near Karratha.

Burrup Fertilisers is likely to start building the \$600 million plant in February.

Shire President Kevin Richards says it has been 22 years since Woodside built on the Burrup and now 700 jobs will be created to build the fertiliser plant.

Strict environmental controls are attached to the project.