

Pluto outrage

BURRUP traditional owners the Wong-Goo-Tt-Oo people have told Woodside they will take no part in the destruction and removal of rock art on the Burrup Peninsula to make way for the Pluto project.

Woodside asked the Wong-Goo-Tt-Oo and other Aboriginal groups to monitor the removal of rocks to enable site works for the Pluto project to start in Area A on the Burrup Peninsula.

Site works will require wholesale levelling of the landscape.

The Wong-Goo-Tt-Oo People are native title claimants over the Burrup Peninsula.

Their claim is awaiting an appeal decision by the Full Bench of the Federal Court of Australia.

Spokesman for the Wong-Goo-Tt-Oo, Wilfred Hicks, said the people had fought too long and hard to save their cultural heritage to give in to Woodside's 'vandalism of the rock art which is living evidence of thousands of years of aboriginal occupation of the Burrup Peninsula until the 20th century.'