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Cut them off, bag them up, stick them behind wire or just blow them up! This *bas* happened to an estimated 10,000 ancient sacred petroglyphs on the Burrup Peninsula and even with National Heritage Listing.....



















The Burrup Peninsula, in WA's Pilbara region, is the world's oldest and largest rock art landscape. It contains perhaps 500,000 rock engravings documenting at least 30,000 years of continuous human occupation and artistic & spiritual endeavour, - far older than the Pyramids or Stonehenge. They depict long extinct animals, including the thylacine, as well as the earliest known image of the human face. Australia was outraged when the Taliban destroyed the Bamyan Buddhas. Why then are we allowing the destruction of Aboriginal and World Heritage to go on in our own back yard?

As well as providing a unique record of human prehistory, the Burrup/Murujuga is a major sacred site for Aboriginal people. In spite of National Heritage Listing it is still threatened by Woodside and the WA Government's plan to establish the 'Pluto' LNG plant in the heart of the Burrup. In 2007, it was included for the third time as the only Australian site on the World Monuments Fund's list of 100 Most Endangered Sites. A number of alternative sites are available for its location which would not impact upon the region's unique rock art.

Act now – contact MalcolmTurnbull

The Wong-Goo-Tt-Oo people, a group of local Aboriginal custodians, have recently asked Commonwealth Environment Minister Malcolm Turnbull to establish an inquiry under the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act into the heritage values of rock art on Woodside's Pluto B lease on the Burrup/Murujuga.

Please act now by asking Malcolm Turnbull to use his ministerial powers and accept the Wong-Goo-Tt-Oo's request for an inquiry:

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