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## CONTENTIOUS ISSUES BRIEFING NOTE

**Title: James Price Point – Potential Site Impact - Woodside Ground Clearance**

### Background

- Contractors conducting works associated with the Browse LNG development commenced clearing about 25 hectares of bush land near the communications tower on Minari Road near James Point this morning (Wednesday 6 July 2011).
- The Strategic Compliance Unit of DIA received information today from Mr Joseph Roe that a previously unreported site may be about to be impacted by the bulldozers.
- A DIA Senior Heritage Officer and Compliance Officer made inquiries via telephone link with the notifier expressed that this site had very high cultural significance and from information received it was apparent that further assessment of the area was warranted.

### Current situation

- Woodside has been advised of the report and DIA's concerns regarding the possible impact on this location. At this stage the obligation is on Woodside as to whether they continue ground clearing works in the area and risk a possible breach of Section 17 of the AHA.
- Broome Police have been advised that officers from DIA will be on the ground conducting a heritage assessment and investigating any possible impacts to the heritage values of this location in the next few days.

### Action

#### Speaking Points

- DIA has despatched officers to the location for further assessment and they will be on the ground over the next few days.

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