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Woodside planning approvals lapse – call for Shire to take action

Envions Kimberley is calling on the Shire of Broome to take action to stop Woodside's activities at James Price Point, as planning approval for the work has lapsed.

Woodside's planning approval for drilling and investigations of groundwater at James Price Point lapsed in September, according to the Council resolution of 30th September, 2010:

"That all works associated with the development are to be removed from site and the site re-instated at the time of the ceasing of the use for hydrogeological investigations for the proposed LNG precinct or September 2011 whichever is sooner."

"We are concerned that Woodside appears to be operating without planning approval. We'd like the Shire to take action and treat Woodside as they treat any other company or member of the community," said Envions Kimberley Director, Martin Pritchard.

"Woodside also needs to explain why the company is continuing its operations when, according to the Shire resolution, it should have removed all its works by September this year," Mr Pritchard said.

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