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Active-radio not Radioactive

Aboriginal and community representatives have today launched a state wide radio campaign highlighting the risks posed by uranium mining in WA.

The campaign features a series of advertisements to be played on radio stations from the Kimberley to Kalgoorlie ahead of the March 9 state election that describe planned uranium mining as 'today's asbestos' and condemn the use of Royalty for Regions subsidies to private uranium projects.

The ads have been produced by the West Australian Nuclear Free Alliance, a network of Aboriginal, environment and public health representatives and organisations concerned about the long lasting and negative impacts of uranium mining on communities and country.

The ads are set to run on commercial, community and Indigenous radio stations across the Kimberley's, Goldfield's and the Pilbara.

"WA has an abundance of clean energy resources and resourceful people, our future is renewable not radioactive," said WANFA spokesperson Mia Pepper.

"The Liberal and National Party's plans for uranium mining have been flying under the radar so we have decided to put the issue on the airwaves."

"This risky and radioactive industry poses a direct threat to workers, communities and the environment. It needs to be put under the spotlight and regional communities have a right to know the full story especially when it most directly affects them."

Kalgoorlie based Wongatha community leader and a founding member of WANFA, Geoffrey Stokes has called for all political parties to come clean on any plans for this dirty trade ahead of the election.

"In Australia we don't have a use for uranium. We will not benefit for uranium mining but if it happened we would have all the problems from it. We have enough problems, with sickness and disease; we don't need to add to those problems. We should leave uranium; we should leave it where it belongs, in the ground. We have been in this country for a long time and we will be in this country for a long time."

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