

**ANAWA SUPPORTS CONTINUED ALP BAN ON URANIUM MINING**

The Anti-Nuclear Alliance of W.A. strongly endorses the ALP's current ban on uranium mining, which is not officially on state Party conference agenda for the coming weekend.

“We appreciate the ALP standing firm on this issue, which Environment spokesperson, Sally Talbot MLA, has reiterated recently,” said ANAWA convener, Jo Vallentine.

“However, we understand that there are members of the ALP who want to re-visit the issue, and we want them to understand that this is a key environmental issue for hundreds of thousands of West Australians, who are relying on the ALP to legislate a ban on uranium mining when it is returned to government.

“It is important that members of the ALP, and the public generally, know that it will be a long time before any uranium mine is ready to go in this state. There are many regulatory hurdles, an uncertain market, outstanding questions about water, transport, and as always, the vexed issue of waste.”

“There is no such thing as inevitability about this noxious, unnecessary and unwanted industry getting started before the next election. We hope that the Labor Party will have the opportunity to do what should have already been done, to enshrine a ban in legislation – so we encourage them to stay strong in their conviction, and not to give in to the industry push to foist a polluting and dangerous industry on the West Australian community,” Jo Vallentine concluded.

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