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FRIDAY THE 13TH FOR THE ARKAROOA WILDERNESS SANCTUARY?

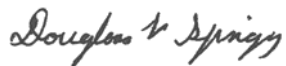
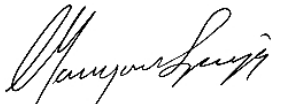
Last Friday, 11th June, Professor Mike Tyler of the University of Adelaide confirmed that a previously unknown and un-described species of frog was collected in the Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary a week ago.

The same day, uranium exploration company Marathon Resources, served Arkaroola with a new Notice of Entry to carry out a Proposed Low Impact Work Program in the heart of Arkaroola centred at Mt Gee.

This is the same company previously found to have illegally buried approximately 35 tonnes of low level radioactive mineral cuttings in 22,800 plastic bags, and other materials, at Mt Gee in December 2007. Marathon later admitted to burying a further 20 x 200 litre drums containing similar waste at another location within the Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary.

Professor Tyler said, "This is the first new species of frog to be discovered in South Australia in 40 years!"

Marg and Doug Sprigg, the owners of Arkaroola Wilderness Sanctuary, have serious concerns about the impacts that a future uranium mine is likely to have on known and as yet, undescribed species.



Marg & Doug Sprigg
Arkaroola

13th June, 2010

