

So this is *The New Forest Industry.*

Well I am having trouble distinguishing it from the old one. Maybe it is different from what was the norm before 1978, so that is maybe what they mean by the new forest industry. This coupe like many others like it are in the Tarkine. Just off the road that I was told is to be part of the **Tarkine Logging Loop Road.**



Forestry Tasmania keep telling us that they are not doing any conversions from native forest to plantations. They claim that from the 31st December 2006 all native forest coupes must be returned to native forest.

I don't believe that these trees are almost 3 years old, not after seeing how lush and massive the native forest in this area is, neither are they being grown from seed sown on site.

Here we have a rainforest that has been clearfelled. The forest here is myrtle, sassafras and leatherwood, on a few dry spots a few brown top stringy bark trees grow, but the majority of the forest is Rainforest.

Is clearfelling what you see in the background and re planting it with eucalypts only conversion or not.

To me it is, doesn't matter how much you call it *regeneration*, if you are not re-generating it with what you cut down it is **conversion**!



Unfortunately we are being lied to again, the Tarkine is not wilderness. What we are led to believe is one of the largest tracts of untouched cool temperate rainforests in the world is being trashed.

As the tourists travel along the Tarkine Logging Loop Road they will notice thin propaganda screens hiding eucalypt plantations behind, supposedly out of view. If they went passed the locked gates on the side tracks they would see this multiplied hundreds of times. See the google image for a small taste or download the slide show for the whole shocking story.



Those of us who went to look at the Tarkine this week were sickened and disgusted that this is what passes for “Worlds Best Practice”  
The questions are:  
Which Bloody World are we talking about. Surely not Planet Earth in 2009.  
Must mean Mars 5,600,780 B.C.

You will have to make up your own minds I feel sick  
Pete Godfrey