

JOHN HAWKINS' FACTS



The Tasmanian Year Book for 1985 produced by the Tasmanian Government Statistician - "Native Forests of potentially commercial quality cover 2,214,000 hectares or 32% of the State, of this area 905,000 hectares are privately owned and 1,309,000 hectares are Crown owned commercial forests."

• The map below shows the 1985 pulp wood concession areas totalling 1,937,000 hectares. Compare the area in white, excluded from the pulpwood concession with the forest remaining in red on the Gunns map, for a comparison between 20 years of exemption and logging.

• Classification of the forests and timber resources as of 30th June 1984 gives a total Tasmanian productive forest area of 1,235,000 hectares most of which has since been logged or clear felled.

• The remaining areas shown in red as reserved on the Gunns map are:- inaccessible, unloggable or the trees are unsuitable for the pulp industry.

• Tasmania leads the world in logging & pulpwood per head of population and hectares cut!

JOHN GAY'S FANTASY



Tasmania has more land in conservation reserves than any other Australian state.

What is a Conservation Reserve?

Tasmania protects its forests at four and a half times the benchmark set by the World Conservation Union...

What part in forest conservation in Tasmania does the World Conservation Union play?

• 45% of Tasmania's 3.12 million hectares of forest cover is reserved.
The area in red shown below most of which is unsuited for the pulp industry.

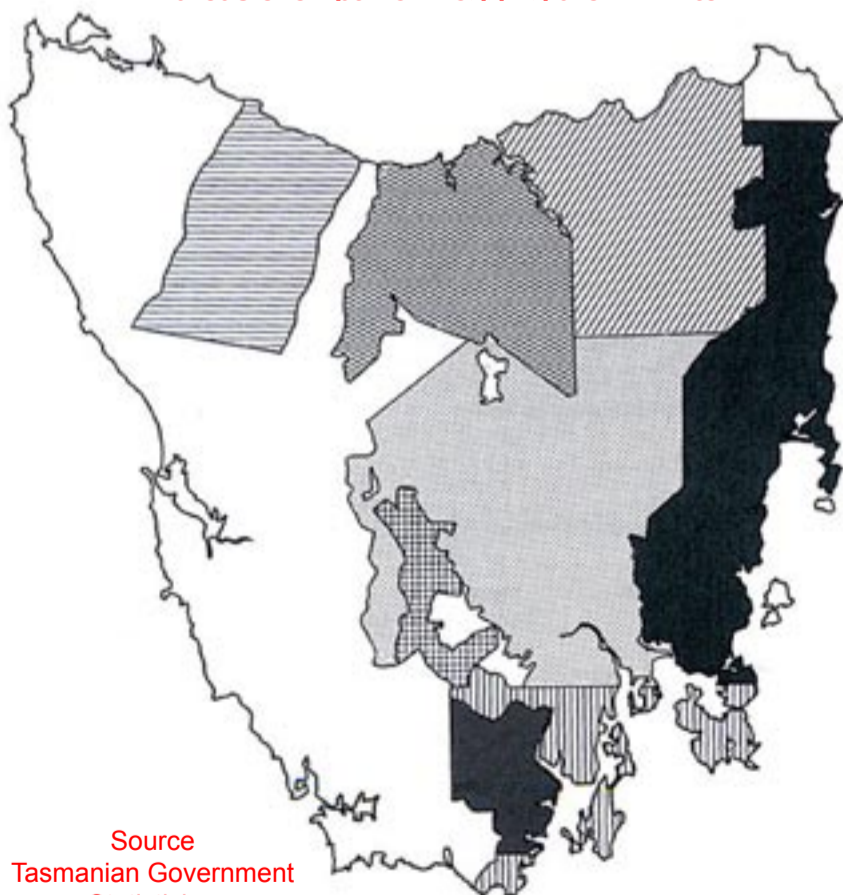
• 87% of old growth **remaining in** public forests is protected?
From whom and from what?

• 97% of Tasmania's wilderness is reserved.
It was exempt in 1984, see map opposite and was never worth logging.

Tasmania is a world leader in conservation -
of what?



PULPWOOD CONCESSION AREAS (a) 1985 (hatched)
areas exempt from logging are in white



Source
Tasmanian Government
Statistician

Land reserved
by 2005
2.9 million hectares
or 42% of the state



Mr Gay, as Chairman and CEO of Gunns Ltd I place you on notice that the "spin" of your advertisement (Examiner, Sunday 29 October 2006) is intended to deceive. In the context of clear felling and logging for pulp it is untrue that "Tasmania is a world leader in conservation." The Thylacine is extinct, the Devil is riddled with cancer and the Platypus is infected.