

## 27. DALE ROAD



### LANDSCAPE CHARACTER

Farmland on undulating moraine deposit (one in a series of lateral deposits along Kakapo Road). Southern end of this deposit forms a very high (approximately 400m), steep scarp face above the Whitestone River. There are a couple of wetland areas within the unit. Land cover is dominated by improved pasture and exotic shelterbelts. Kakapo and Dale Roads cross this landscape unit.

### KEY CHARACTERISTICS

- Moraine plateau and valley system
- Rural working character

### LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY: MODERATE with sensitive riparian boundary

*Natural Factors:* Riparian edge to Whitestone River, wetland habitat, boundary with Margin Forest

*Cultural Factors:* Dominant farming patterns - farm dwellings, fences, shelterbelts, roads etc

*Quality/Condition:* Modified farmland

*Aesthetic Factors:* Legible landforms, some elevated views, dramatic scarp face above river, pleasant rural character

### VISUAL SENSITIVITY: MODERATELY LOW

*Visibility:* Much of the area visible from roads but shelterbelts and farm amenity plantings restrict some views

*Populations:* Viewing population likely to be largely local residents, with some anglers/hunters and visitors to Takaro Lodge passing through.

### LANDSCAPE VALUES

- Wetland areas
- Glacial landform
- High scarp above Whitestone River

