

37. RETFORD STREAM



LANDSCAPE CHARACTER

Improved and semi-improved pasture across Retford Stream valley floor - drains north to Eglinton River. Includes some wetland areas with associated native vegetation. Retford Stream is a tightly scrolling waterway with stretches of associated terrace scarps. Riparian edges generally modified by farming patterns. Te Anau-Milford Highway crosses Retford Stream and follows the northeast boundary to the Eglinton River.

KEY CHARACTERISTICS

- Retford Stream and wetlands
- Open character

LANDSCAPE CHARACTER SENSITIVITY:

MODERATE

Natural Factors: Stream and wetlands and associated vegetation

Cultural Factors: Farming patterns - tracks, fences, sheds etc

Quality/Condition: Highly modified farmland, but heavily influenced by hydrological elements

Aesthetic Factors: Attractive scrolling stream and terrace scarps

VISUAL SENSITIVITY:

MODERATELY HIGH

Visibility: Open landscape, much of area is visible from elevated sections of Te Anau-Milford Road

Populations: Travellers between Te Anau and Milford - potentially large viewing population, for short time.

LANDSCAPE VALUES

- Retford Stream and wetland areas

