

# **NOHOANGA SITE INFORMATION SHEET**

## **WAIKAWA RIVER, TE ĀKAU TAI TOKA, MURIHIKU**



Photo: Māngai Piri

### **Location**

- The site is by the Waikawa River at Niagara adjacent to Māngai Piri (Niagara Falls).
- Travelling from Tokanui, drive past Chaslands Highway turn off and take the first turn left onto Manse Road. If you drive past the Niagara Falls Café you have travelled too far.
- The nohoanga is on your left, fully fenced with gates and is before the bridge over the Waikawa River. Signage is expected to be installed in late 2020.



### **Physical description**

- The site is mostly covered in regenerating native bush and is fully fenced.
- There are several suitable campsites.
- There has been a successful replanting effort in recent years which is now getting more established.
- Gorse and broom seedlings growing on site are pulled every few months.



### **Vehicle access and parking**

- The site has excellent two wheel drive access and is also suitable for caravans and campervans.
- Parking is plentiful on site.
- Vehicle users need to ensure they park on site and not on the public road outside the site for extended periods, or in a position which would impede other users' access to and from the site.

### **Facilities and services**

- The site has an old unusable concrete long drop toilet on site.
- There are no facilities at the Waikawa River nohoanga site. Site users need to provide their own toilet (portaloos or chemical toilet) and shower facilities.
- Nohoanga site users are required to provide their own water supplies.
- There is a whitebait stand on the river margin adjacent to the nohoanga site. Public access to this stand will not be withheld or restricted.
- There is limited cell phone reception on this site.
- All rubbish and waste must be removed on departure. See key contacts below for details of refuse and dumping stations.

### **Hazards**

- Site users should be aware of the close proximity of the river. There are high banks in some places that pose a fall risk.
- Visit the Ngai Tahu website [www.ngaitahu.iwi.nz/environment/nohoanga](http://www.ngaitahu.iwi.nz/environment/nohoanga) for up to date information regarding hazards.



**Site restrictions**

- Dogs are only allowed by prior arrangement and written approval. Dog owners must ensure that dogs are closely monitored to mitigate the potential for attacks on threatened native species and/or other site users.
- Those wishing to hunt in the area need a hunting permit from the Department of Conservation. Fire arms must not be carried without a valid hunting permit. Please see the Department of Conservation website for information about hunting and firearm safety.
- Fire restrictions may apply to this area. Please contact the Department of Conservation office in Invercargill to assess the situation. Comprehensive information on fire control in the area is available via the Southern Rural Fire Authority website [www.southernruralfire.org.nz](http://www.southernruralfire.org.nz)
- **Note** – by using the Waikawa River nohoanga site you are agreeing to these conditions.



**Key contacts**

Emergency Services	Phone 111 (Police, Fire, Ambulance)
Police Station	Invercargill South Police Station 141 Janet Street Invercargill Ph: (03) 215 0300
Department of Conservation	Cue on Don Level 7 / 33 Don Street Invercargill Ph: (03) 211 2400 Email: <a href="mailto:Invercargill@doc.govt.nz">Invercargill@doc.govt.nz</a>

Southland District Council	Southland District Council Invercargill Ph: 03 211 2500 or 0800 732 732
Environment Southland	Environment Southland Cnr North Road & Price Street Invercargill Ph: 03 211 5115 or 0800 76 88 45 After Hours Ph: 03 211 5225 or 0800 76 88 45
Fish and Game (fishing licence outlets)	Fish and Game Council 159 North Rd Invercargill Ph: (03) 215 9117
Hospital / Doctors	Southland Hospital Kew Road, Invercargill Ph: (03) 218 1949
Dumping Station for Campervans / Portable Toilets	<p>Tokanui Shop Southern Scenic Route, through the Catlins, Tokanui</p> <p>Invercargill Top 10 Holiday Park (Gum Tree Farm) 77 McIvor Road Invercargill Ph: 0800 486 873 or (03) 215 9032</p>
Refuse Station	Invercargill Transfer Station 303 Bond Street. West Invercargill Ph: (03) 218 7939

