

	<p>on the Coast. Other rivers have older water-courses: their gorges are more enclosed and boulders are more rounded. Most are not as close to the high peaks.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4) It has a good intermediate standard section which is suitable for many paddlers for whom other West Coast rivers are too difficult. 5) While future demand is unpredictable, use would be very infrequent when compared to tourist flights or alpine hut access flights. It is seasonal and limited to the warmer months, when there is a suitable river flow, mostly on weekends or public holidays. 6) The flight to the put-in is comparatively short (less than 10km), and it is expected air time return would be only about 10 minutes. 7) The required put-in for the river is sufficiently far from Cassel Flat Hut (at least 500m) that hut users are not likely to be disturbed. 8) Once paddlers are on the river, impact is minimal to non-existent. Not even footprints are left behind. 9) It conforms to WNP draft management plan policy 3.5.3 (e), in that access is consistent with DOC's Visitor Setting for the Karangarua, ie: "Back Country with facilities" 	<p>that the landing area be along the river bank between the confluence of Purcell creek at NZMS 260 H26 535252, and Cassel flat at 545230 (to allow for any future movement of sandy banks suitable for landing). This latter point is about 500m from Cassel Flat hut.</p>

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