

# Glacier Country

NEW ZEALAND WEST COAST

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## FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER TOWNSHIP

**IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS**  
 EMERGENCY Dial 111  
 POLICE (Franz Josef) 752 0044  
 Health Clinic + 752 0700

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION — WALKS**

The Visitor Centre at Franz Josef is open 7 days.

After hours information is available at the front entrance of the Visitor Centre/DOC office.

Times given are from the start of track and are approximate

**A. GLACIER VALLEY WALK**

1 hour 20 mins return following the Waiho riverbed to the glacier terminal. Please heed all signs & barriers.

**B. SENTINEL ROCK WALK**

20 mins return. A steady climb for views of the glacier.

**C. DOUGLAS WALK/PETERS POOL**

20 mins return to Peter's Pool for a fantastic reflective view up the glacier valley. 1 hour loop.

**D. ROBERTS POINT TRACK**

5 hours return. Climb via a rocky track and swingbridges to a high viewpoint above glacier.

**E. LAKE WOMBAT TRACK**

1 hour 30mins return. Easy forest walk to small reflective pond.

**F. ALEX KNOB TRACK**

A day trek up to sub-alpine terrain with superb views. 8 hours return.

**G. TERRACE WALK**

30 mins return. Easy forest walk to historic sluice face. Take a flashlight to view glow-worms after dusk. No Glacier Access.

**H. TATARE TUNNELS WALK**

1 hour 20 mins return. Take a flashlight to explore the old tunnel. Be prepared to wade through cold water.

**I. CALLERY-WAIHO WALK**

2 hours 30 mins one way giving access to Glacier Access Road via the Douglas Track or Peter's Pool.

**J. CANAVAN'S KNOB WALK**

1hr return climb to views of glacier and coast.

**K. THREE MILE WALK - OKARITO**

3 hours easy, historic pack track. Mountains, glacier and beach walk (check for low tide)

**L. OKARITO TRIG WALK**

1 hour 30 mins, climb to panoramic view of lagoons, glaciers, ocean & alps.

**M. PAKIHI WALK - OKARITO**

30 mins easy walk with superb views of mountains & rainforest.

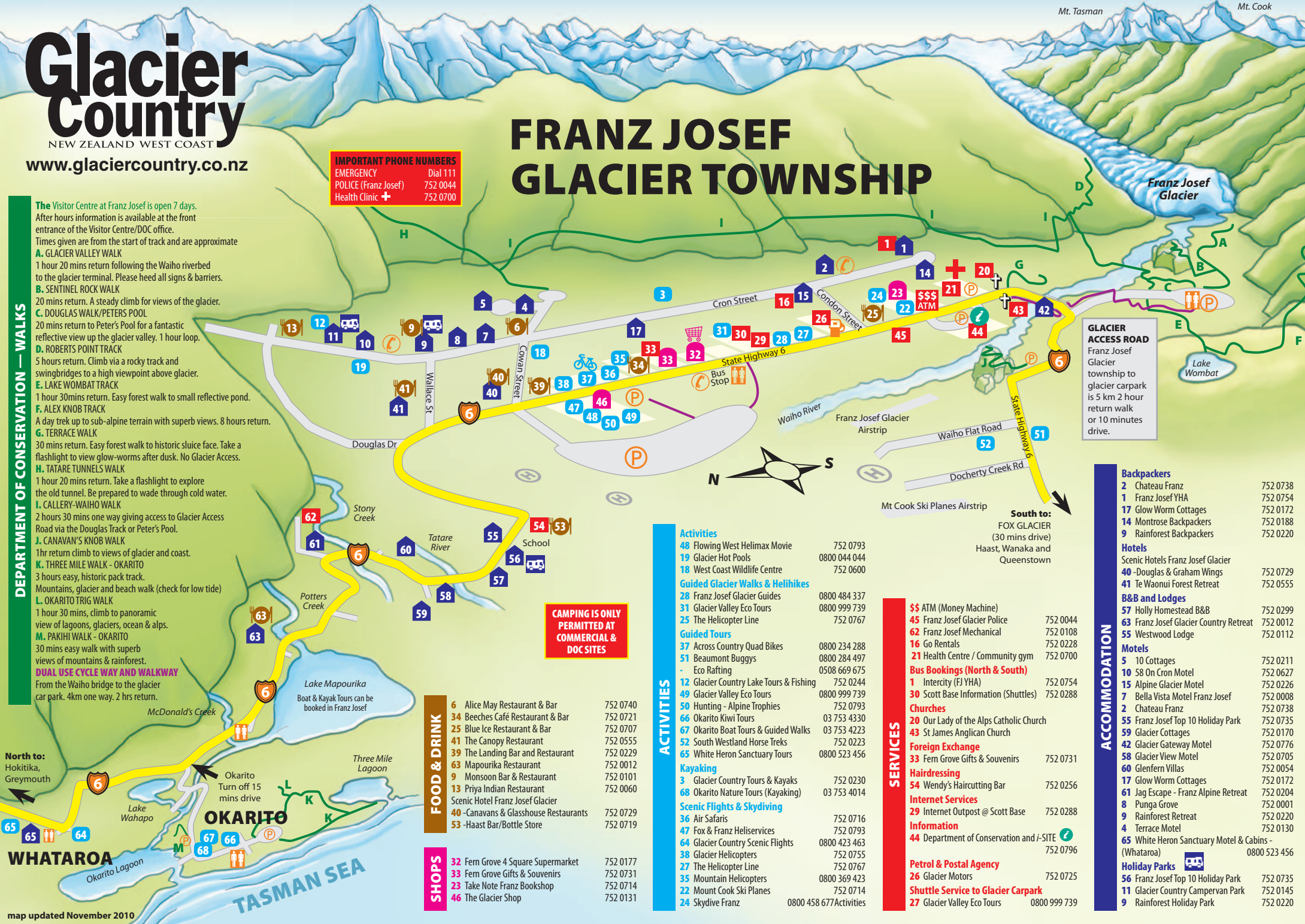
**DUAL USE CYCLE WAY AND WALKWAY**

From the Waiho bridge to the glacier car park. 4km one way. 2 hrs return.

North to:  
Hokitika,  
Greymouth

**WHATAROAO**

map updated November 2010



**GLACIER ACCESS ROAD**  
 Franz Josef Glacier township to glacier carpark is 5 km 2 hour return walk or 10 minutes drive.

**CAMPING IS ONLY PERMITTED AT COMMERCIAL & DOC SITES**

- FOOD & DRINK**
- 6 Alice May Restaurant & Bar 752 0740
  - 34 Beeches Café Restaurant & Bar 752 0721
  - 25 Blue Ice Restaurant & Bar 752 0707
  - 41 The Canopy Restaurant 752 0555
  - 39 The Landing Bar and Restaurant 752 0229
  - 63 Mapourika Restaurant 752 0012
  - 9 Monsoon Bar & Restaurant 752 0101
  - 13 Priya Indian Restaurant 752 0060
  - Scenic Hotel Franz Josef Glacier
  - 40 -Canavans & Glasshouse Restaurants 752 0729
  - 53 -Haast Bar/Bottle Store 752 0719

- SHOPS**
- 32 Fern Grove 4 Square Supermarket 752 0177
  - 33 Fern Grove Gifts & Souvenirs 752 0731
  - 23 Take Note Franz Bookshop 752 0714
  - 46 The Glacier Shop 752 0131

- ACTIVITIES**
- 48 Flowing West Helimax Movie 752 0793
  - 19 Glacier Hot Pools 0800 044 044
  - 18 West Coast Wildlife Centre 752 0600
  - Guided Glacier Walks & Helihikes**
  - 28 Franz Josef Glacier Guides 0800 484 337
  - 31 Glacier Valley Eco Tours 0800 999 739
  - 25 The Helicopter Line 752 0767
  - Guided Tours**
  - 37 Across Country Quad Bikes 0800 234 288
  - 51 Beaumont Buggys 0800 284 497
  - Eco Rafting 0508 669 675
  - 12 Glacier Country Lake Tours & Fishing 752 0244
  - 49 Glacier Valley Eco Tours 0800 999 739
  - 50 Hunting - Alpine Trophies 752 0793
  - 66 Okarito Kiwi Tours 03 753 4330
  - 67 Okarito Boat Tours & Guided Walks 03 753 4223
  - 52 South Westland Horse Treks 752 0223
  - 65 White Heron Sanctuary Tours 0800 523 456
  - Kayaking**
  - 3 Glacier Country Tours & Kayaks 752 0230
  - 68 Okarito Nature Tours (Kayaking) 03 753 4014
  - Scenic Flights & Skydiving**
  - 36 Air Safaris 752 0716
  - 47 Fox & Franz Heliservices 752 0793
  - 64 Glacier Country Scenic Flights 0800 423 463
  - 38 Glacier Helicopters 752 0755
  - 27 The Helicopter Line 752 0767
  - 35 Mountain Helicopters 0800 369 423
  - 22 Mount Cook Ski Planes 752 0714
  - 24 Skydive Franz 0800 458 677/Activities

- SERVICES**
- \$\$\$ ATM (Money Machine)
  - 45 Franz Josef Glacier Police 752 0044
  - 62 Franz Josef Mechanical 752 0108
  - 16 Go Rentals 752 0228
  - 21 Health Centre / Community gym 752 0700
  - Bus Bookings (North & South)**
  - 1 Intercity (FJ YHA) 752 0754
  - 30 Scott Base Information (Shuttles) 752 0288
  - Churches**
  - 20 Our Lady of the Alps Catholic Church
  - 43 St James Anglican Church
  - Foreign Exchange**
  - 33 Fern Grove Gifts & Souvenirs 752 0731
  - Hairdressing**
  - 54 Wendy's Haircutting Bar 752 0256
  - Internet Services**
  - 29 Internet Postup @ Scott Base 752 0288
  - Information**
  - 44 Department of Conservation and i-SITE 752 0796
  - Petrol & Postal Agency**
  - 26 Glacier Motors 752 0725
  - Shuttle Service to Glacier Carpark**
  - 27 Glacier Valley Eco Tours 0800 999 739

- ACCOMMODATION**
- Backpackers**
- 2 Chateau Franz 752 0738
  - 1 Franz Josef YHA 752 0754
  - 17 Glow Worm Cottages 752 0172
  - 14 Montrose Backpackers 752 0188
  - 9 Rainforest Backpackers 752 0220
- Hotels**
- Scenic Hotels Franz Josef Glacier
  - 40 -Douglas & Graham Wings 752 0729
  - 41 Te Wanui Forest Retreat 752 0555
- B&B and Lodges**
- 57 Holly Homestead B&B 752 0299
  - 63 Franz Josef Glacier Country Retreat 752 0012
  - 55 Westwood Lodge 752 0112
- Motels**
- 5 10 Cottages 752 0211
  - 10 58 On Cron Motel 752 0627
  - 15 Alpine Glacier Motel 752 0226
  - 7 Bella Vista Motel Franz Josef 752 0008
  - 2 Chateau Franz 752 0738
  - 55 Franz Josef Top 10 Holiday Park 752 0735
  - 59 Glacier Cottages 752 0170
  - 42 Glacier Gateway Motel 752 0776
  - 58 Glacier View Motel 752 0705
  - 60 Glenfern Villas 752 0054
  - 17 Glow Worm Cottages 752 0172
  - 61 Jag Escape - Franz Alpine Retreat 752 0204
  - 8 Punga Grove 752 0001
  - 9 Rainforest Retreat 752 0220
  - 4 Terrace Motel 752 0130
  - 65 White Heron Sanctuary Motel & Cabins - (Whataroa) 0800 523 456
- Holiday Parks**
- 56 Franz Josef Top 10 Holiday Park 752 0735
  - 11 Glacier Country Campervan Park 752 0145
  - 9 Rainforest Holiday Park 752 0220



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North to:  
 FRANZ JOSEF GLACIER (30 mins drive)  
 Hokitika, Greymouth

**LAKE MATHESON**  
 Fox Glacier township to Lake Matheson carpark is 6 km 2 hour return walk or 5 minutes drive.

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**GLACIER ACCESS ROAD**  
 Fox Glacier township to glacier carpark is 6 km 2 hour return walk or 10 minutes drive.

## FOX GLACIER TOWNSHIP



South to:  
 Bruce Bay, Lake Paringa, Haast, Wanaka and Queenstown

West to:  
 Gillespies Beach (21 km drive) from Fox township

Seal Colony Track 'I'

- FOOD & DRINK**
- 9 Café Nevé 751 0110
  - 7 Cook Saddle Café/Saloon 751 0700
  - 11 Heartland Hotel Glacier Country 751 0847
  - 34 High Peaks Restaurant 751 0131
  - 19 Hobnail Café 751 0005
  - 32 Matheson Café 751 0878
  - 25 The Mountain Goat Café 751 0839
  - 13 The Plateau Café & Bar 751 0058
  - 37 The Salmon Farm Café 751 0837

- ACTIVITIES**
- Guided Glacier Walks & Helihikes**
- 22 Fox Glacier Guiding 751 0825
  - Glacier Valley Eco Tours 0800 999 739
- Hunting**
- Alpine Trophies 03 752 0793
- Ice Climbing**
- 22 Fox Glacier Guiding 751 0825
- Scenic Flights & Skydiving**
- 21 Fox & Franz Heliservices 751 0866
  - 8 Glacier Helicopters 751 0803
  - 17 The Helicopter Line 751 0767
  - 14 Mountain Helicopters 751 0045
  - 16 Skydive NZ 751 0080

- SHOPS**
- 3 Department of Conservation 751 0807
  - 10 Fox General Store 751 0829
  - 24 Fox Glacier Motors/Petrol Station 751 0823
  - 23 The Hobnail Shop 751 0825
  - 33 ReflectionNZ Gifts & Gallery 751 0753
  - 37 South Westland Salmon 751 0837

- SERVICES**
- Health Clinic 751 0836
  - Information**
  - 12 Mountain Information 751 0047
  - Bicycle Hire**
  - 6 Fox Glacier Lodge 751 0888
  - 5 Ivory Towers Backpackers 751 0838
  - Bus Bookings (North & South)**
  - 22 Fox Glacier Guiding 751 0825
  - 31 Fox Glacier Holiday Park 751 0821
  - 5 Ivory Towers Backpackers 751 0838
  - Churches**
  - 2 Douglas Memorial Presbyterian Church 751 0825
  - 29 Our Lady of the Snows - Catholic Church 751 0825
  - Foreign Exchange & Postal Agency**
  - 20 Fox Glacier Guiding 751 0825
  - Internet**
  - 18 Internet Outpost 751 0825
  - Petrol**
  - 24 Fox Glacier Motors 751 0823

- ACCOMMODATION**
- Backpackers**
- 29 Fox Glacier Holiday Park & Motels 751 0821
  - 5 Ivory Towers Backpackers 751 0838
- Hotels**
- 25 Heartland Hotel Fox Glacier 751 0839
  - 11 Heartland Hotel Glacier Country 751 0847
  - 34 High Peaks Hotel 751 0131
- B&B and Lodges**
- 6 Fox Glacier Lodge 751 0888
  - 36 Mahitahi Lodge (Bruce Bay) 751 0095
  - 35 Reflection Lodge 751 0707
  - 28 Riverstone B&B 751 0199
  - 4 Te Weheka Inn 751 0730
  - 1 The White Fox B&B 751 0717
- Motels**
- 15 Bella Vista Motel 751 0129
  - 29 Fox Glacier Holiday Park & Motels 751 0821
  - 27 Lake Matheson Motel 751 0830
  - 38 Lake Paringa Lodge 0800 727 464
  - 26 Rainforest Motel 751 0140
  - 30 Sunset Motel 751 0062
- Holiday Parks**
- 6 Fox Glacier Campervan Park 751 0888
  - 31 Fox Glacier Holiday Park & Motels 751 0821

**DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION — WALKS**

The Visitor Centre at Franz Josef (open 7 days) and the DOC Area Office at Fox Glacier (open Mon-Fri, closed weekends and public holidays) offers information about Westland *Tai Poutini* National Park and Te Whaipounamu *South West New Zealand* World Heritage Area. Hut tickets and hunting permits are issued. After hours information is available outside the front entrance to both the Visitor Centre and DOC Office. Times given are from start of the track and are approximate.

- A. MINNEHAHA WALK**  
An easy 20 minute return from village through the rainforest.
- B. MORAINÉ WALK**  
Walk over old moraine surfaces through to native bush. 40 minutes return.
- C. RIVER WALK**  
Connects north and south bank roads. 30 minutes return.
- D. FOX GLACIER VALLEY WALK**  
Walk to Glacier terminal ice. 1 hour return.
- E. CHALET LOOKOUT WALK**  
1 hour 30 minutes return. Stream crossing, leads to a viewpoint of Fox Glacier.
- F. MOUNT FOX TRACK**  
8 hours return. Steep climb to alpine grasslands for views of alps, glacier and coastline. Marked route. 10 minute drive from village.
- G. LAKE MATHESON WALK**  
6 km from Fox village. 1 hour 30 minutes return. Provides unsurpassed reflective views of Mt Cook and Mt Tasman.
- H. PEAK VIEW POINT**  
10 km from Fox village. One of the best viewpoints in the area of the Fox Glacier and Southern Alps.

- 36 (46 km) → Mahitahi Lodge
- 37 37 (60 km) → The Salmon Farm
- 38 (68 km) → Lake Paringa Lodge
- Track 'J' (26 km) →
- I. SEAL COLONY WALK  
Gillespies Beach - 21km drive from Fox Glacier township. 3 hour 30min walk from Gillespies Beach to the seal colony at Galway beach.
- J. COPLAND TRACK - WELCOME FLAT  
6-8 hour tramp each way to Welcome Flat Hot Pools. Start of track is 20 minutes south by vehicle from Fox Glacier Village. Transport to and from start of track by Intercity and Atomic Shuttles.
- DUAL USE CYCLE WAY AND WALKWAY**  
From Fox township to the glacier car park. New February 2011.