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Site Information

M.J. Hensley, Braeside Desc. By: G.M. Roberts Locality:

Date Desc.: Elevation: 17/07/85 223 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6677400 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 763900 Datum: AGD66 Easting/Lat.: Drainage: No Data

Geology

ExposureType: Undisturbed soil core Conf. Sub. is Parent. Mat.: No Data Geol. Ref.: **Substrate Material:** No Data No Data

Land Form

Rel/Slope Class: No Data Pattern Type: No Data Morph. Type: No Data Relief: No Data

Very gently sloped Elem. Type: Slope Category: Terrace plain Aspect: 270 degrees Slope: 1 %

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Self-mulching, Recently cultivated

Erosion:

Soil Classification

Australian Soil Classification: N/A Mapping Unit: Principal Profile Form: Ua5.15 ASC Confidence: **Great Soil Group:** Brown clay

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Rainfed

Vegetation:

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

A11p 0 - 0.08 m Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); Brown (7.5YR4/2-Dry); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Angular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric: Smooth-ped fabric; Medium, (5 - 10) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm)

macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, Quartz, coarse fragments; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Sharp, Smooth

change to -

A12x 0.08 - 0.3 m

Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); Brown (7.5YR4/2-Dry); ; Medium heavy clay; Massive grade of structure; Weak grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Platy; Earthy fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Moderately moist; Rigid consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, Quartz, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH

8.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Sharp, Smooth change to -

Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular A13k 0.3 - 0.45 m

blocky; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, Quartz, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm)

Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular A14k 0.45 - 0.6 m

blocky; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Earthy fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2%), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules;

Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to

Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular B21 0.6 - 1 m

blocky; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Very few (0 - 2 %), Ferruginous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Veins; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

B22 1 - 1.4 m Dark yellowish brown (10YR4/4-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 5-10

mm, Subangular blocky; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular blocky; Earthy fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Ferruginous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Tubules; Very few (0 - 2 %), Gypseous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Crystals; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

Diffuse, Smooth change to -

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B23 1.4 - 2.53 m

Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular blocky; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Few

(2 - 10 %), Ferruginous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Tubules; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

Morphological Notes

Very dense plough layer at 10-25cm. Less calcium carbonate in this core. A11p

Observation Notes

Parent Rock:,, parna on fourth fan

Site Notes

Fallow. Hills 15cm high. Very coarse massive blocky clay lumps just below soil surface (? plough layer).

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Laboratory Test Results:

| Depth | рН | 1:5 EC | | hangeable Mg | Cations K | Na | Exchangeabl Acidity | e CE | С | ECEC | | ESP |
|-------------|-------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------|------------------------|--------|----------|---------|----------|-------|
| m | | dS/m | Ca | wig | ĸ | Cmol (+ | | | | | | % |
| 0 - 0.02 | 8.32A | 0.087A | 32.74B | 16.26 | 2.1 | 2.85 | | | | | | |
| 0 - 0.08 | 8.41A | | 27.98B | 18.29 | 2.09 | 3.15 | | | | | | |
| 0.1 - 0.2 | 9.14A | | 31.71B | 20.43 | 1.2 | 6.73 | | | | | | |
| 0.3 - 0.4 | 9.29A | 0.451A | 26.87B | 22.52 | 1.16 | 11.94 | | | | | | |
| 0.5 - 0.6 | 9.14A | | 24.03B | 20.86 | 1.21 | 14.06 | | | | | | |
| 0.7 - 0.8 | | 0.9069999 | | 23.54 | 1.62 | 14.31 | | | | | | |
| 1.2 - 1.3 | 8.55A | | 26.75B | 22.63 | 1.76 | 15.64 | | | | | | |
| 2.43 - 2.53 | 8.91A | 1.07A | 23.32B | 23.05 | 1.66 | 13.37 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Depth | CaCO3 | Organic | Avail. | Total | Total | Tota | l Bulk | | Particle | Size | Analysis | 2 |
| Берш | Cacos | C | Avaii. | P | N | K | Density | | CS | FS | Silt | |
| m | % | % | mg/kg | % | % | % | Mg/m3 | | | % | • | J.u., |
| | | | | | | | _ | | | | | |
| 0 - 0.02 | <0.1B | 0.84C | | | | | | | | | 14.7 | 66.6 |
| 0 - 0.08 | 0.2B | 0.87C | 17.9J | | | | | | | | 13.8 | 62.3 |
| 0.1 - 0.2 | 1.1B | 0.47C | 4.6J | | | | | | | | 13.3 | 63.3 |
| 0.3 - 0.4 | 1.3B | 0.44C | 2.8J | | | | | | | | 13.6 | 63.7 |
| 0.5 - 0.6 | 1.7B | 0.42C | 6.9J | | | | | | | | 13.5 | 62.8 |
| 0.7 - 0.8 | 1B | 0.37C | 14.1J | | | | | | | | 13.3 | 68.9 |
| 1.2 - 1.3 | 2.5B | 0.13C | 14.9J | | | | | | | | 11.9 | 70.7 |
| 2.43 - 2.53 | 2.6B | 0.06C | 10.1J | | | | | | | | 12.9 | 68.5 |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Depth | COLE | | Grav | imetric/V | lumetric Water Cor | | ntents | | Ks | at | K unsat | |
| Бериі | JOLL | Sat. | 0.05 Bar | 0.1 Bar | 0.5 Bar | 1 Bar | | 15 Bar | | | A unsa | • |
| m | | Juli | 5.55 D ui | | /g - m3/m | | 5 3 4. | | mm | /h | mm/h | |
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Laboratory Analyses Completed for this profile

15A2_CA Exchangeable bases (Ca2+,Mg2+,Na+,K+) - 1M ammonium chloride at pH 7.0, pretreatment for

soluble salts

15A2_K Exchangeable bases- 1M ammonium chloride at pH 7.0, pretreatment for soluble salts 15A2_MG Exchangeable bases- 1M ammonium chloride at pH 7.0, pretreatment for soluble salts 15A2_NA Exchangeable bases- 1M ammonium chloride at pH 7.0, pretreatment for soluble salts

19B1 Carbonates - manometric 3A1 EC of 1:5 soil/water extract 4A1 pH of 1:5 soil/water suspension

5A2 Chloride - 1:5 soil/water extract, automated colour

6B3 Total organic carbon - high frequency induction furnace, infrared

7B1 Water soluble nitrate - automated colour

9B1 Bicarbonate-extractable phosphorus - manual colour

P10_CF_C Clay (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method Silt (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method