

**Project Name:** Soil Studies in the Lower Namoi Valley  
**Project Code:** EDGEROI **Site ID:** ed015 **Observation ID:** 1  
**Agency Name:** CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)

**Site Information**

<b>Desc. By:</b>	D. McGarry	<b>Locality:</b>	Peter Campbell, Calatoota
<b>Date Desc.:</b>	07/01/87	<b>Elevation:</b>	290 metres
<b>Map Ref.:</b>	Sheet No. : 8837_N 1:50000	<b>Rainfall:</b>	No Data
<b>Northing/Long.:</b>	6676800 AMG zone: 55	<b>Runoff:</b>	No Data
<b>Easting/Lat.:</b>	780500 Datum: AGD66	<b>Drainage:</b>	No Data

**Geology**

<b>ExposureType:</b>	Undisturbed soil core	<b>Conf. Sub. is Parent. Mat.:</b>	No Data
<b>Geol. Ref.:</b>	No Data	<b>Substrate Material:</b>	No Data

**Land Form**

<b>Rel/Slope Class:</b>	No Data	<b>Pattern Type:</b>	No Data
<b>Morph. Type:</b>	No Data	<b>Relief:</b>	No Data
<b>Elem. Type:</b>	Terrace flat	<b>Slope Category:</b>	Level
<b>Slope:</b>	0 %	<b>Aspect:</b>	No Data

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

**Erosion:**

**Soil Classification**

<b>Australian Soil Classification:</b>	N/A	<b>Mapping Unit:</b>	N/A
<b>ASC Confidence:</b>	Confidence level not specified	<b>Principal Profile Form:</b>	Ug5.15
		<b>Great Soil Group:</b>	Brown clay

**Site Disturbance:** Cultivation. Rainfed

**Vegetation:**

**Surface Coarse Fragments:**

**Profile Morphology**

A11p	0 - 0.1 m	Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Dry); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, <2 mm, Granular; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Field pH 8.5 (pH meter); Few, fine (1-2mm) roots; Sharp, Wavy change to -
A12p	0.1 - 0.2 m	Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Massive grade of structure; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Rigid consistence; Field pH 8.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Abrupt, Wavy change to -
A13	0.2 - 0.55 m	Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR74, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Lenticular; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Angular 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; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots;
A14	0.55 - 1.05 m	Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR74, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Strong grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Lenticular; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Gradual, Smooth change to -
B21	1.05 - 1.9 m	Reddish brown (5YR4/3-Moist); , 10YR42, 2-10% , 5-15mm, Distinct; , 2.5YR66, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Prominent; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 100-200 mm, Lenticular; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular 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, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Gradual, Smooth change to -
B22	1.9 - 2.94 m	Brown (7.5YR4/4-Moist); , 10YR72, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Light medium clay; Strong grade of structure, 100-200 mm, Lenticular; Strong grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 - 6 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

**Morphological Notes**

A11p	Layer .02 is a 10cm thick plough pan - very dry and hard. Layer .05 has abundant infilled root and faunal passages. Layer .06 has a weak prismatic structure (as a 3rd
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A12p      structure), also the majority of the faunal and floral infilled channels  
from .05 have stopped. Note that there are two levels of A11 sampled, but one each of  
B21 and B22. Q.

**Observation Notes**

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, clay, second (brown parna) terraced

**Site Notes**

Topography flat to gently sloping. Cultivation obscures cracks to >800. Core intersects crack. Mr. Campbell reports soils N of Bulldog Creek are softer in top.



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**Laboratory Analyses Completed for this profile**

15A2_CA	Exchangeable bases (Ca <sup>2+</sup> ,Mg <sup>2+</sup> ,Na <sup>+</sup> ,K <sup>+</sup> ) - 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
P10_CF_Z	Silt (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method