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Site Information

D. McGarry Desc. By: Locality: Twynam Pastoral Co., Boolcarrol

Date Desc.: Elevation: 23/05/85 196 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6675300 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 751400 Datum: AGD66 Easting/Lat.: Drainage: No Data

Geology

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

Land Form

Rel/Slope Class: No Data Pattern Type: No Data Morph. Type: No Data Relief: No Data Elem. Type: Slope Category: Terrace plain Level Aspect: No Data Slope: 0 %

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:** Grey clay

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Rainfed

Vegetation:

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Dry); ; Light A11p 0 - 0.07 m

medium clay: Moderate grade of structure. 2-5 mm. Granular: Earthy fabric: Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular, Quartz, coarse fragments; Field pH 7.7 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm)

roots; Sharp, Wavy change to -

A12p 0.07 - 0.16 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Medium, (5 - 10) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very strong consistence; 2-10%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular, Quartz, coarse fragments; Field pH 7.8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Sharp, Smooth

change to -

A13 0.16 - 0.55 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); , 10YR63, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Faint; , 10YR83, 0-2% , 0-5mm,

Faint; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very strong consistence; 2-10%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular, 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;

A14 0.55 - 0.95 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); , 10YR63, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Faint; , 10YR83, 0-2% , 0-5mm,

Faint; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist, Very firm consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular, Quartz, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH

8.3 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Gradual, Smooth change to

R21 0.95 - 2.25 m

Reddish brown (5YR4/4-Moist); , N30, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct; , 2.5YR48, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Prominent; Light medium clay; Strong grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Lenticular; Strong grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Gypseous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Crystals; Field pH 8.3 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

Diffuse, Smooth change to -

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B22g 2.25 - 2.9 m

Dark reddish grey (5YR4/2-Moist); , 2.5YR48, 10-20% , 15-30mm, Prominent; , 10YR82, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.3 (pH meter);

Morphological Notes

A11p Visible crackdepth is 54cm and 61cm. Highly pedal B21 does not appear as a buried soil

here, but such material has been described elsewhere as buried soil. The B22 appears

slightly gleyed.

Observation Notes

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, clay, parna on fourth fan

Site Notes

Due to cultivation, surface cracks are not visible, but the penetrometer shows cracks underneath. A crack is visible in core to 65 cm.

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Laboratory Test Results:

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Depth	рН	1:5 EC		hangeable			Exchangeable	e CE	С	ECEC	E	SP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg	K	Na Cmol (-	Acidity					%
""		uo/III				Cilioi (T)/Ng					/0
0 - 0.02	7.95A	0 105A	31.09B	8.89	2.1	1.01						
0 - 0.07	7.95A		28.84B	12.56	1.41	1.15						
0.1 - 0.16	8.39A	-	30.93B	12.77	0.43	3.32						
0.3 - 0.4	9.22A		29.48B	12.86	0.48	3.43						
0.7 - 0.8	8.23A		28.63B	12.98	0.3	10						
1.2 - 1.3	8.66A	1.608A	26.66B	15.8	0.67	13.07						
2.5 - 2.6	8.86A	1.291A	26.39B	13.41	0.44	11.59						
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail. P	Total P	Total				Particle		Analysis	
m	%	C %	mg/kg	Р %	N %	K %	Density Mg/m3	, GV	CS	FS %	Silt	Clay
•••	70	70	ilig/kg	70	70	/0	Wig/iii3			70		
0 - 0.02	<0.1B	1.06C									17.6	58
0 - 0.07	0.1B	0.77C	27.7J								18	58
0.1 - 0.16	0.4B	0.55C	11.2J								18.2	57.9
0.3 - 0.4	0.1B	1.01C	7.5J								18.8	57.4
0.7 - 0.8	1.2B	0.44C	12.7J								19.5	61.1
1.2 - 1.3	1.3B	0.08C	12.4J								18.9	69.1
2.5 - 2.6	2B	0.04C	6.3J								16	60.9
Depth	COLE Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents								Ks	at	K unsat	
- · · · · · ·		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar	0.5 Bar	1 Bar		15 Bar				
m					/g - m3/m				mm	/h	mm/h	
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0 - 0.02 0 - 0.07 0.1 - 0.16 0.3 - 0.4 0.7 - 0.8 1.2 - 1.3 2.5 - 2.6

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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