**Project Name:** Soil Studies in the Lower Namoi Valley

**Project Code: EDGEROI** Site ID: Observation ID: 1 ed102

Agency Name: **CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)** 

Site Information

M.E. Heape Desc. By: Locality: W.G.(George) Baxter, Smithfield

Date Desc.: Elevation: 30/04/86 320 metres Sheet No.: 8837\_N 1:50000 Map Ref.: Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6665100 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data Easting/Lat.: 778700 Datum: AGD66 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: Elem. Type: No Data Relief: No Data

Slope Category: Very gently sloped Pediment Aspect: 270 degrees Slope: 1 %

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Soft

**Erosion:** 

**Soil Classification** 

Australian Soil Classification: N/A Mapping Unit: Principal Profile Form: Dv4.42 ASC Confidence: **Great Soil Group:** Solonchak

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Complete clearing. Pasture, native or improved, cultivated at some stage

Vegetation:

### **Surface Coarse Fragments:**

	<u>Profile</u>	Morpho	<u>logy</u>
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A11	0 - 0.1 m	Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); ; Loamy sand; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 6.5 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots;
A12	0.1 - 0.28 m	Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); ; Loamy sand; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 6.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Abrupt, Smooth change to -
A2	0.28 - 0.34 m	Brown (7.5YR5/4-Moist); ; Sand; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Roughped fabric; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 6.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Abrupt, Wavy change to -
B2	0.34 - 0.77 m	Reddish brown (5YR5/4-Moist); , 10YR73, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Distinct; Light clay; Weak grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Field pH 6.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to -
C1	0.77 - 1 m	Greyish brown (10YR5/2-Moist); , 7.5YR32, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Distinct; , 2.5Y84, 2-10% , 30-mm, Prominent; Light clay; Weak grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Field pH 7 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;
C2	1 - 2.02 m	Brown (7.5YR4/4-Moist); ; Coarse sand; Massive grade of structure; Moderately moist; Field pH

## **Morphological Notes**

A11 Layer 3 is the A2, and layer 4 is the top of the B2. Layer 5 is in the boundary from B2 to

C horizon. There are many fragments (decayed stones) of sandstone in layer 5. From

100cm, the profile is pure sandstone - hard, brittle and brownish/

A12 dark red.

#### **Observation Notes**

Parent Rock: residual, sandstone, from sandstone, non-calcareous Pilliga Sandstone

8 (pH meter);

### **Site Notes**

0-100 sand, soft, wet on brownish then yellowish brown sandy clay. At 202 hole stops in feldspathic sandstone. At 200 there is thin root mat in a rock fissure.

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# **Laboratory Test Results:**

Depth	рН	1:5 EC		hangeable			Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	i	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca I	Mg	K	Na Cmol (+	Acidity ·)/kg				,	%
0 - 0.02	6.09A	0.034A	0.8B	0.63	0.22	0.97						
0 - 0.1	5.55A	0.242A	<0.1B	0.56	0.41	0.06						
0.1 - 0.2	4.6A	0.069A	<0.1B	0.45	0.42	0.04						
0.28 - 0.34	5.5A	0.04A	<0.1B	0.57	0.27	0.22						
0.34 - 0.4	5.66A	0.086A	<0.1B	5.46	0.47	1.77						
0.7 - 0.8	6.4A	0.132A	<0.1B	15.56	0.66	3.2						
1.2 - 1.3	8.16A	0.047A	<0.1B	2.95	0.16	0.92						
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Total	Total	Total	l Bulk	Р	article	Size	Analysis	;
		C	Р	Р	N	K	Density	G۷	cs	FS	Silt	
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%		•
0 - 0.02	<0.1B										3.6	8
0 - 0.1	<0.1B	_	13.2J								6.1	10.8
0.1 - 0.2	<0.1B		4.1J								5	10.6
0.28 - 0.34	<0.1B		2.4J								5.8	7.1
0.34 - 0.4	<0.1B		<1J								6	21.8
0.7 - 0.8	<0.1B		<1J								6.9	31.2
1.2 - 1.3	<0.1B	<0.01C	<1J								9.5	8.6
Depth	COLE				olumetric V				Κs	at	K unsat	t
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar g/	0.5 Bar /g - m3/m	1 Bar 3	5 Bar 15 I	Bar	mm	ı/h	mm/h	

0 - 0.02 0 - 0.1 0.1 - 0.2 0.28 - 0.34

0.34 - 0.4 0.7 - 0.8 1.2 - 1.3

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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