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Site Information

Desc. By: G.M. Roberts Locality: Clinton Freer, Greenbah

Date Desc.: Elevation: 30/03/85 196 metres Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Map Ref.: Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6661200 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 745600 Datum: AGD66 Easting/Lat.: Drainage: No Data

<u>Geology</u>

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:
 Terrace flat
 Slope Category:
 Level

 Slope:
 0 %
 Aspect:
 No Data

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

**Erosion:** 

**Soil Classification** 

Australian Soil Classification:Mapping Unit:N/AN/APrincipal Profile Form:Ug5.24ASC Confidence:Great Soil Group:Grey clay

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Irrigated, past or present

**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 clav: Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Granular: Rough-ped fabric: Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack:

Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 8.5 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Abrupt, Smooth change

to -

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Dark grey (10YR4/1-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular;

Weak 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;

Field pH 8.2 (pH meter); Few, medium (2-5mm) roots;

A13 0.25 - 0.55 m Dark grey (10YR4/1-Moist); , 5R21, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Faint; , 10YR62, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint;

Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 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 %), Manganiferous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; 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 - 1 m Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); , 5R21, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Faint; , 10YR62, 0-2% , 0-

5mm, Faint; Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 10-20 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 %), Manganiferous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.5 (pH

meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

A15 1 - 1.3 m Dark greyish brown (10YR4/2-Moist); , N40, 20-50% , 15-30mm, Faint; , 5R21, 0-2% , 0-5mm,

Faint; Medium heavy clay; Massive grade of structure; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence;

Common (10 - 20 %), Argillaceous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Veins; Very few (0 - 2 %),

Manganiferous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.7 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to -

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B2 1.3 - 2.6 m Brown (7.5YR4/4-Moist); , 10YR42, 10-20% , 5-15mm, Distinct; , 5YR56, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint;

Light clay; Massive grade of structure; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Subangular blocky; Sandy (grains prominent) fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Common (10

- 20 %), Argillaceous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Veins; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

# **Morphological Notes**

A11p Site is beside first telegraph pole S of pump S of Greenbah 1.6km from house west of

road and drain beside cotton crop. In the 10-20cm sample the top 2cm is obviously

imported light brown clay, i.e. this area has been filled. The brown mate

A12 rial is not included in the profile description or sample. From 85 to 90cm there is evidence

of inwashed sand in cracks.

## **Observation Notes**

Parent Rock:,, parna on third fan, Namoi

### **Site Notes**

Site is beside first telegraph pole south of Greenbah (0.6km from house).

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# **Laboratory Test Results:**

Depth	рН	1:5 EC	Exchangeable Cations				Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg K		Na Cmol (+	Na Acidity Cmol (+)/kg				%
0 - 0.02	8.42A	0.1A	29.39B	15.65	2.05	1.25					
0 - 0.1	8.31A	0.206A	24.64B	11.7	1.52	2.41					
0.1 - 0.2	8.78A	0.225A	24.55B	13.04	1.33	4.07					
0.3 - 0.4	8.85A	0.33A	23.65B	15.37	0.98999 99	5.93					
0.7 - 0.8	8.99A	0.414A	18.21B	15.98	1.12	9.25					
1.2 - 1.3	8.99A	0.408A	15.77B	15.37	1.06	11.24					
2.5 - 2.6	8.9A	0.321A	9.89B	9.48	0.47	8.46999					
						9					
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Tota			l Bulk				Analysis
	•	C	Р,	P	N		Density	G۷	CS	FS	Silt Clay
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%	
0 - 0.02	<0.1B	0.87C									17.9 69.2
0 - 0.1	0.1B	1.04C	37.7J								19.5 60.8
0.1 - 0.2	0.2B	0.73C	14.9J								16.6 68.3
0.3 - 0.4	1.5B	0.49C	27.4J								15.4 70.1
0.7 - 0.8	1.3B	0.42C	35.4J								16.1 71.7
1.2 - 1.3	1.2B	0.37C	25.1J								17.3 69.6
2.5 - 2.6	<0.1B	0.09C	69.3J								12.8 41.5
Depth	COLE	COLE Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents K sat K unsa Sat. 0.05 Bar 0.1 Bar 0.5 Bar 1 Bar 5 Bar 15 Bar									K unsat
m		Jai.	5.05 Dai		g/g - m3/		J Dai 13	Dai	mm	/h	mm/h

0 - 0.02

0 - 0.1 0.1 - 0.2

0.1 - 0.2 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