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Site Information

Desc. By: W.T. Ward Locality: B.M.(Bruce) Foster, Wengellabah

Date Desc.: Elevation: 13/01/87 204 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6660900 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 756700 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 DataPattern Type:No DataMorph. Type:No DataRelief:No DataElem. Type:Terrace plainSlope Category:No DataSlope:0 %Aspect:0 degrees

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

Erosion:

Soil Classification

Australian Soil Classification:Mapping Unit:N/AN/APrincipal Profile Form:Ug5.15ASC Confidence:Great Soil Group:Brown clay

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Rainfed

Vegetation:

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

A11p 0 - 0.1 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Dry); ; Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Field

pH 7.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Clear, Smooth change to -

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 7.5YR42, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint; , 10YR73, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint;

Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Prismatic; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very strong consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subrounded, Quartz, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

A13 0.25 - 0.55 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR74, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; , 10YR73, 0-2% , 0-5mm,

Distinct; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Prismatic; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very strong consistence; 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 Dark reddish brown (5YR3/2-Moist); , 7.5YR74, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Moderate

grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Lenticular; Moderate 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; Strong consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change

to -

B21 1 - 1.9 m Reddish brown (5YR4/4-Moist); , 7.5YR74, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint; , 7.5YR32, 2-10% , 5-15mm,

Faint; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Lenticular; Weak grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.7 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-

B22 1.9 - 2.77 m Reddish brown (5YR4/4-Moist); , 7.5YR52, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Distinct; , 7.5YR62, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Distinct; Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Lenticular; 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);

Morphological Notes

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In the B2 horizon there is also a very coarse prismatic structure. MVpH. Upper part of B2 is not as well-structured as lower part. A11p

Observation Notes

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

Site Notes

Reddish brown surface. Surface cracks have been covered by cattle trampling. This land surface appears to slope away in all directions.

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Laboratory Test Results:

Depth	рН	1:5 EC		hangeable			Exchangeable	CEC	;	ECEC		ESP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg	К	Na Cmol (-	Acidity +)/kg					%
0 - 0.02	7.96A	0.076A	24.17B	12.94	2.2	0.5						
0 - 0.1	7.76A	0.124A	24.64B	14.5	1.69	0.82						
0.1 - 0.2	8.66A	0.106A	28.96B	16.43	1.04	1.31						
0.3 - 0.4	8.98A	0.165A	26.36B	17.35	0.76	2.67						
0.7 - 0.8	9.27A	0.237A	21.5B	17.97	0.89	5.67						
1.2 - 1.3	8.93A	0.466A	19.22B	17.33	1.11	7.58						
2.5 - 2.6	8.87A	0.526A	19.22B	17.21	0.91	7						
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Total	Total	Tota	l Bulk	Р	article	Size	Analysis	5
		С	Р	P	N	K	Density	G۷	cs	FS	Silt	Clay
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%		
0 - 0.02	<0.1B		40.1									56.4
0 - 0.1	<0.1B	_	19J								22.6	
0.1 - 0.2	0.1B	0.63C	6.8J								22.9	_
0.3 - 0.4	0.4B	0.54C	3.9J								21.7	-
0.7 - 0.8	0.8B	0.45C	6.3J								23	56.7
1.2 - 1.3	0.3B	0.23C	16J								23.1	
2.5 - 2.6	0.3B	0.17C	10.1J								21.8	57
Depth							Ks	at	K unsa	t		
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar g/	0.5 Bar /g - m3/m	1 Bar 3	5 Bar 15	Bar	mm	ı/h	mm/h	

0 - 0.02 0 - 0.1 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