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Agency Name: CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)

Site Information

Desc. By: D. McGarry Locality: W.R.(Rick) Tapp, Fernleigh

Date Desc.: Elevation: 13/06/86 412 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6657600 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 787700 Datum: AGD66 No Data Easting/Lat.: Drainage:

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 DataPattern Type:No DataMorph. Type:No DataRelief:No Data

Elem. Type: Terrace plain Slope Category: Very gently sloped

Slope: 2 % Aspect: 0 degrees

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Self-mulching

Erosion:

Soil Classification

Australian Soil Classification: Mapping Unit: N/A
N/A Principal Profile Form: Ug5.32
ASC Confidence: Great Soil Group: Brown clay

Confidence level not specified

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

Vegetation:

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

A11 0 - 0.1 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); ; Light clay; 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 6.5 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-

1mm) roots;

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); ; Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm,

Granular; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Rough-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; Field pH 7 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-

1mm) roots;

A13 0.25 - 0.35 m Dark reddish brown (5YR3/3-Moist); , 7.5YR32, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium heavy clay;

Weak grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Rough-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; 2-10%, medium gravelly, 6-20mm, rounded, Basalt, coarse fragments; Field pH 7 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to -

B21 0.35 - 1 m Dark reddish brown (5YR3/3-Moist); , 7.5YR32, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; , 5YR84, 0-2% , 0-5mm,

Distinct; Light medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 100-200 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; 2-10%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subrounded, Basalt, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

B22 1 - 1.27 m Yellowish red (5YR4/6-Moist); Reddish brown (5YR4/4-Dry); , 5YR74, 2-10% , 5-15mm,

Distinct; Light clay; 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; Very firm consistence; 20-50%, coarse gravelly, 20-60mm, rounded, Basalt, coarse fragments; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH

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

Morphological Notes

A11 0-4cm has been poached ?by cattle trampling. 158.04 has some rock fragments coated

with manganese. 158.05 is stony, with bands of soil, separately in a broken plastic bag.

Soil is stony. ? some sandstone in parent material. Kaputar Volcanic

A12 s. Vertisol because of the very weak wedge structure seems unreasonable, so we try

mollisol.

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Parent Rock: colluvial sediment, basalt, sandstone Nandewar Volcanics

Site Notes

Access to target impossible due to fence and dense forest. This site is approximately 200m to the west. Drilling ceased at 127cm on heavy cobbles. Basaltic stones on soil surface. Few to common surface stones, but core is relatively stone f

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Laboratory Test Results:

Depth	pН	1:5 EC		hangeable			Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	ESP	
m		dS/m	Ca I	Mg	K	Na Cmol (+	Acidity)/kg				%	
0 - 0.02	7.18A	0.092A	17.31B	8	2.86	<0.01						
0 - 0.1	6.7A	0.226A	16.3B	8.91	1.73	0.16						
0.1 - 0.2	7.1A	0.093A	18.81B	12.76	1.28	0.18						
0.3 - 0.4	7.68A	0.068A	22.1B	19.46	0.55	0.68						
0.7 - 0.8	8.55A	0.302A	22.81B	23.42	0.42	1.46						
1.2 - 1.27	8.69A	0.222A	13.33B	14.96	0.35	1.13						
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Total	Total	Total	Bulk	Par	ticle	Size	Analysis	
		С	Р	Р	N	K	Density	G۷	CS	FS	Silt Clay	
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%		
0 - 0.02	<0.1B	3.94C									24.3 31.	2
0 - 0.02	-		7461									-
	<0.1B	_	74.6J								20.5 31.	-
0.1 - 0.2	<0.1B		45.9J								23.5 38.	
0.3 - 0.4	<0.1B		1.7J								23 46.	
0.7 - 0.8	3.3B	0.51C	11J								21.9 44.	
1.2 - 1.27	0.6B	0.18C	18.8J								21.5 20)
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Depth	Depth COLE Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents								K s	at	K unsat	
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar g/	0.5 Bar g - m3/m	1 Bar 3	5 Bar 15 B	ar	mm	/h	mm/h	

0 - 0.02 0 - 0.1 0.1 - 0.2 0.3 - 0.4 0.7 - 0.8 1.2 - 1.27

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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