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Site Information

Desc. By: G.M. Roberts Locality: M.H.(Mark) & R.E.W. Lampe, Bobbiwaa

Date Desc.: Elevation: 10/07/85 238 metres Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Map Ref.: Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6655800 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 770200 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:
 Terrace flat
 Slope Category:
 Level

 Slope:
 0 %
 Aspect:
 No Data

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Self-mulching, Trampled

Erosion:

Soil Classification

Australian Soil Classification: Mapping Unit: N/A
N/A Principal Profile Form: Ug5.15
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

A11p 0 - 0.1 m Dark greyish brown (10YR4/2-Moist); Dark greyish brown (10YR4/2-Dry); ; Heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong

consistence; Field pH 7 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong

A12x 0.1 - 0.25 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular

blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 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; Strong consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, Quartz, coarse

fragments; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

A13 0.25 - 0.45 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 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; Strong consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, 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 0.45 - 0.7 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 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; Strong consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, Quartz, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH

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

B21 0.7 - 1 m Dark greyish brown (10YR4/2-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50

mm, Subangular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular blocky; Earthy fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded, Quartz, coarse fragments; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Field pH 9

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

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B22 1 - 1.36 m Brown (7.5YR5/4-Moist); , 7.5YR42, 20-50% , 5-15mm, Faint; Medium heavy clay; Moderate

grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Earthy fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Very few (0 - 2 %), Manganiferous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-

1mm) roots; Clear, Smooth change to -

B23k 1.36 - 2.67 m Brown (7.5YR5/4-Moist); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 100-200 mm, Lenticular;

Strong 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;

Common (10 - 20 %), Calcareous, Coarse (6 - 20 mm), Nodules; Common (10 - 20 %),

Calcareous, Coarse (6 - 20 mm), Nodules; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

Morphological Notes

A11p Large wide deep cracks down to 550mm. Profile has dull, massive appearance. There

are two distinct bands of calcium carbonate at 180-190 and 255-267. Note extra sample

(169.04) at 50-60cm and sampled without explanation.

Observation Notes

Parent Rock:,, second terraced fan

Site Notes

There are extremely few surface cracks perhaps due to infilling with the very fine surface mulch. Long red ridge approximately 2km from here, to the north-west, running NE to SW. Eucalyptus tessellaris occur on this ridge.

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Laboratory Test Results:

Depth	рН	1:5 EC		hangeable	Cations K	Na	Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg	N.	Cmol (Acidity +)/kg				%
0 - 0.02	6.69A	0.163A	13.84B	14.23	3.95	0.29					
0 - 0.1	7.06A	0.157A	17.3B	16.52	2.76	0.6					
0.1 - 0.2	7.57A	9.1000011 02A	E-19.99B	18.47	1.55	1.23					
0.3 - 0.4	8.54A	0.084A	20.45B	21.56	1.25	2.24					
0.5 - 0.6	9.1A	0.178A	17.44B	21.35	1.24	3.57					
0.7 - 0.8	9.08A	0.221A	17.64B	23.11	1.46	4.07					
1.2 - 1.3	8.99A	0.286A	16.52B	22.29	1.69	3.94					
2.5 - 2.6	9.16A	0.253A	10.1B	18.04	1.13	3.05					
Depth m	CaCO3	Organic C %	Avail. P mg/kg	Total P %	Total N %	Tota K %	Density	Pa GV	rticle CS	Size FS %	Analysis Silt Clay
0 - 0.02	<0.1B	3.18C									16.1 50.7
0 - 0.1	0.1B	2.14C	22.6J								15 54.6
0.1 - 0.2	0.1B	1.27C	5.7J								15.2 57.8
0.3 - 0.4	0.3B	1.18C	3J								16.1 58.4
0.5 - 0.6	0.7B	0.97C	2J								16.1 58.6
0.7 - 0.8	1.5B	0.81C	5.8J								15.3 59.8
1.2 - 1.3	1.9B	0.31C	8.9J								14.7 61
2.5 - 2.6	18.6B	0.13C	1.9J								14.2 48.6
Depth	COLE									K unsat	
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar g/	0.5 Bar /g - m3/m	1 Bar 3	5 Bar 1	5 Bar	mm	/h	mm/h

^{0 - 0.02} 0 - 0.1 0.1 - 0.2 0.3 - 0.4 0.5 - 0.6 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