Project Name: Soil Studies in the Lower Namoi Valley

Project Code: EDGEROI Site ID: ed193 Observation ID: 1

Agency Name: CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)

Site Information

Desc. By: M.E. Heape Locality: R.L.(Bob) Burrell, Woodlands

Date Desc.: Elevation: 12/02/86 427 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6652800 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 787900 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 DataPattern Type:No DataMorph. Type:No DataRelief:No Data

Elem. Type: Terrace plain Slope Category: Moderately inclined

Slope: 2 % Aspect: 0 degrees

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Surface crust

**Erosion:** 

**Soil Classification** 

Australian Soil Classification: Mapping Unit: N/A
N/A Principal Profile Form: Ug6.3
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:**

A11 0 - 0.1 m Dark reddish brown (5YR3/2-Moist); Dark reddish brown (5YR3/2-Dry); Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Cast; Earthy fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Dark reddish brown (5YR3/4-Moist); Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Few, very

fine (0-1mm) roots;

A13 0.25 - 0.56 m Dark reddish grey (5YR4/2-Moist); ; Heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Moderately moist; Very firm

consistence; 2-10%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular, Basalt, coarse fragments; Field pH 7 (pH

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

B2r 0.56 - 0.93 m Reddish brown (5YR4/3-Moist); ; Light clay; Massive grade of structure; Earthy fabric; Few (<1

per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; 50-90%, cobbly, 60-200mm, subangular, Basalt, coarse fragments; Field pH 8 (pH meter); Few,

very fine (0-1mm) roots;

### **Morphological Notes**

A11 Too smashed up to give meaningful physical measurements. Some similarities with site

195 except lack of crumb structure. A shallow soil on rock. Alluvium or colluvium.

#### **Observation Notes**

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, mixed texture, non-calcareous. Nandewar Volcanics

#### **Site Notes**

Surface soil has many small (1-2cm) gravels. Stipa identification uncertain. Proline stopped by heavy stone at 90cm. Higher part of large fan spilling from sandstone and basalt scarp. Meandering streams ingrown ca 2-3m.

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# **Laboratory Test Results:**

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0 - 0.1	7.16A	0.196A	21.51B	5.46	2.76	0.07						
0.1 - 0.2	7.33A	0.083A	24.48B	6.64	1.19	0.1						
0.3 - 0.4	6.6A	0.046A	20.03B	7.21	0.54	0.18						
0.7 - 0.8	7.8A	8.899999 02A	E-22.33B	8.1	0.43	0.39						
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0 - 0.02	<0.1B	4.14C									24	32.2
0 - 0.1	<0.1B	2.68C	134.8J								23.3	42.6
0.1 - 0.2	<0.1B	0.79C	72.7J								22.5	53.2
0.3 - 0.4	<0.1B	0.7C	76.8J								23.8	50
0.7 - 0.8	0.1B	0.44C	36.2J								19	36.4
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0.3 - 0.4 0.7 - 0.8

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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