Project Name: Soil Studies in the Lower Namoi Valley

Project Code: EDGEROI Site ID: ed197 Observation ID: 1

Agency Name: **CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)**

Site Information

Desc. By: G.M. Roberts Locality: W.J.(Bill) Cathcart. Wild Willows

Date Desc.: Elevation: 201 metres 03/09/85 Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Map Ref.: Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6651500 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 750950 Datum: AGD66 Easting/Lat.: Drainage: No Data

Geology

ExposureType: Conf. Sub. is Parent. Mat.: Undisturbed soil core No Data Geol. Ref.: **Substrate Material:** No Data No Data

Land Form

Rel/Slope Class: No Data Pattern Type: No Data Morph. Type: No Data Relief: No Data Elem. Type: Slope Category: Terrace flat Level Aspect: No Data Slope: n %

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

Erosion:

Soil Classification

Australian Soil Classification: N/A Mapping Unit: Principal Profile Form: Ua5.15 ASC Confidence: **Great Soil Group:** Brown clay

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Irrigated, past or present, Cultivation. Rainfed,

Vegetation:

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology	l
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Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); Dark grey (10YR4/1-Dry); ; Medium heavy clay; Moderate A11p 0 - 0.1 m grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Granular; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Smooth-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 8.5 (pH

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

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric;

Medium, (5 - 10) mm crack; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

A13k 0.25 - 0.55 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Strong grade of structure, 10-20 mm,

Angular blocky; Strong grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular; Smooth-ped fabric; Medium, (5 -10) mm crack; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field

pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Medium heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, A14k 0.55 - 1.2 m

Angular blocky; Moderate 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; Very firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field

pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

B21k 1.2 - 1.9 m Dark brown (10YR3/3-Moist); , 10YR41, 2-10% , 15-30mm, Prominent; Medium clay; Weak

grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Subangular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 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, Fine (0

- 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

Yellowish brown (10YR5/4-Moist); , 5YR58, 0-2% , 5-15mm, Prominent; , 10YR32, 10-20% , 15-B22f 1.9 - 2.86 m

30mm, Distinct; Medium heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Angular blocky; Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence;

Field pH 8.8 (pH meter);

Morphological Notes

A11p One calcium carbonate angular lump at 260cm, and few ferruginous soft segregations,

also at 260.

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Observation Notes

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, clay, first terraced fan, Namoi

Site Notes

There is a patch of natural vegetation in a corner of the paddock 100m from site. Myall is the main species.

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Laboratory Test Results:

Depth	pН	1:5 EC	Exchangeable (le Cations K		Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca i	Mg K		Na Acidity Cmol (+)/kg					%
0 - 0.02	8.29A	0.26A	26.81B	13.98	1.65	1.4					
0 - 0.1		<0.1A	15.19B	11.09	0.41	3.59					
0.1 - 0.2	8.69A	0.128A	23.7B	14.41	0.91	2.17					
0.3 - 0.4	8.97A	0.179A	21.29B	17.01	0.66	4.49					
0.7 - 0.8	9.13A	0.268A	15.43B	16.93	0.81000 01	7.5					
1.2 - 1.3	9.1A	0.271A	15.03B	17.53	0.83	7.62					
2.5 - 2.6	9.21A	0.248A	12.79B	14.28	0.59	6.46					
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Tota		Total					Analysis
m	%	C %	P ma/ka	P %	N %	K %	Density	G۷	cs	FS %	Silt Clay
m	70	70	mg/kg	70	70	70	Mg/m3			70	
0 - 0.02	0.2B	1.05C									18.9 64.8
0 - 0.1	<0.1B	<0.01C	23J								22.2 55.4
0.1 - 0.2	0.2B	0.95C	18.4J								19.3 66.4
0.3 - 0.4	0.4B	0.67C	13.7J								18.8 69.4
0.7 - 0.8	0.8B	0.56C	45.7J								19.9 70.8
1.2 - 1.3	0.6B	0.38C	51.1J								21.6 70.6
2.5 - 2.6	0.9B	0.23C	34.3J								22.9 59.6
Depth	Depth COLE Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents K sat K unsat										
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar	0.5 Bar g/g - m3/m	1 Bar 3	5 Bar 15 E	Bar	mm	/h	mm/h

^{0 - 0.02} 0 - 0.1 0.1 - 0.2 0.3 - 0.4 0.7 - 0.8 1.2 - 1.3 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