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Site Information

Desc. By: D. McGarry Locality: Peter Wall, Woolangabba

Date Desc.: Elevation: 04/06/86 209 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6651200 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 762000 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, Recently cultivated

**Erosion:** 

**Soil Classification** 

Australian Soil Classification: Mapping Unit: N/A
N/A Principal Profile Form: Ug5.16
ASC Confidence: Great Soil Group: Grey clay

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Rainfed

Vegetation:

A14

**Surface Coarse Fragments:** 

**Profile Morphology** 

A11 0 - 0.1 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Light clay; Weak 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; Firm consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular

tabular, Quartz, coarse fragments; Field pH 8.7 (pH meter);

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); , 10YR63, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Light medium clay; 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; Firm consistence; 0-2%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, subangular tabular, Quartz, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2%),

Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.7 (pH meter);

A13 0.25 - 0.55 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); , 10YR62, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium heavy clay;

Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Lenticular, 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 8.8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 min), Nodules, Field pri 0.0 (pri meter), Few, Very line (0-11min) 100

Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; 0-2%, medium gravelly, 6-20mm, rounded, Basalt, coarse fragments; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm),

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

A15 1 - 1.75 m Dark grey (10YR4/1-Moist); , 10YR73, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium heavy clay; 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; Very strong

consistence; Very few (0 - 2%), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

Clear, Smooth change to -

B21 1.75 - 2.67 m Brown (7.5YR5/4-Moist); , 10YR31, 2-10% , 15-30mm, Prominent; Light clay; Weak grade of

structure, 50-100 mm, Prismatic; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 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; 0-2%, coarse gravelly, 20-60mm, subangular tabular, Consolidated rock (unidentified), coarse fragments; Common (10 - 20 %),

Calcareous, Very coarse (20 - 60 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH 9 (pH meter);

**Morphological Notes** 

0.55 - 1 m

A11 Top 2cm of the profile is loose, but would have been attached to rest of soil in field. Not

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A12 axis as silting on lens faces (ped faces). From 190 large amounts of soft carbonate

mainly in vertical channels. From 190 gravels present - various types <1% of total soil

volume, randomly located. Sand infills continue to 267cm, but dimin

A13 ish below 150cm. Similar to MVpH but deeper topsoil.

## **Observation Notes**

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, mixed texture, with lime, parna on third fan

## **Site Notes**

Waterworn quartz gravels on surface (80mm dia). This area floods from the stream to the south of here. Good depth of self mulching topsoil (8 cm deep).

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## **Laboratory Test Results:**

Depth	рН	1:5 EC			le Cations		Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg	К	Na Cmol (+	Acidity -)/kg				%
0 - 0.02	8.51A	0.182A	26.78B	12.38	1.94	1.23					
0 - 0.1	8.82A	0.224A	25.95B	12.97	1.51	3.01					
0.1 - 0.2	9.14A	0.256A	23.21B	15.22	1.01	4.61					
0.3 - 0.4	9.28A	0.389A	18.56B	14.67	0.87	7.63					
0.7 - 0.8	9.45A	0.736A	8.73B	15.74	0.93999 99	12.91					
1.2 - 1.3	9.57A	0.695A	6.44B	13.3	0.88	11.23					
2.5 - 2.6	9.77A	0.655A	-	10.97	0.55	9.21999					
Depth m	CaCO3	Organic C %	Avail. P mg/kg	Tota P %	I Tota N %	9 al Tota K %	I Bulk Density Mg/m3	Pa GV	article CS	Size FS %	Analysis Silt Clay
			3 3				<b>J</b>				
0 - 0.02	0.4B	1.3C									21.7 59.2
0 - 0.1	1.2B	0.83C	12.4J								19.1 52
0.1 - 0.2	1.8B	0.62C	9.4J								19 50.4
0.3 - 0.4	2.3B	0.61C	9.4J								19.1 47.3
0.7 - 0.8	1.5B	0.42C	14J								19.3 44.7
1.2 - 1.3	0.9B	0.3C	20.6J								19.1 38.2
2.5 - 2.6	4.9B	0.06C	13.6J								17.1 28.3
Depth	COLE	COLE Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents K sat K uns									K unsat
m					g/g - m3/				mm	/h	mm/h

0 - 0.02

0 - 0.1 0.1 - 0.2

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