Project Name: Soil Studies in the Lower Namoi Valley

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Agency Name: CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)

Site Information

Desc. By: W.T. Ward Locality: stock route, near Galathera tank

Date Desc.: Elevation: 11/03/85 208 metres Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 N 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6664800 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 759500 Datum: AGD66 No Data Easting/Lat.: Drainage:

<u>Geology</u>

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 DataElem. Type:Terrace flatSlope Category:LevelSlope:0 %Aspect:No Data

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Surface crust

**Erosion:** 

**Soil Classification** 

Australian Soil Classification: Mapping Unit: N/A
N/A Principal Profile Form: Ug6.1
ASC Confidence: Great Soil Group: Grey clay

Confidence level not specified

**Site Disturbance:** 

Vegetation:

**Surface Coarse Fragments:** 

**Profile Morphology** 

A11 0 - 0.15 m

Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); Brown (7.5YR4/2-Dry); ; Light clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 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; Clear, Wavy change to -

A12 0.15 - 0.25 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Dry); ; Light medium clay; Moderate grade

of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; 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%, fine gravelly, 2-6mm, rounded tabular, Quartz, coarse fragments; Field

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

A13 0.25 - 0.6 m Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Dry); , 10YR73, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct;

Medium clay; Strong grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules;

Field pH 9 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Gradual, Smooth change to -

C1 0.6 - 1 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR54, 2-10% , 5-15mm, Distinct; , 10YR82, 2-10% , 0-5mm,

Distinct; Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Roughped fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Gypseous, Medium (2 -

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

C2 1 - 1.6 m Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); , N40, 20-50% , 15-30mm, Distinct; , 10YR82, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct;

Light clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Gypseous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Crystals; Field pH 7.8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

Diffuse, Smooth change to -

C3 1.6 - 2.62 m Greyish brown (2.5Y5/2-Moist); ; Coarse sandy light clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Moderately

moist; Very firm consistence; Field pH 4.5 (pH meter);

**Morphological Notes** 

**Observation Notes** 

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, mixed texture, with lime, first terraced fan

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A low terrace.

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## **Laboratory Test Results:**

Depth	рН	1:5 EC		hangeable			Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	;	ESP
m		dS/m	Са	Mg	К	Na Cmol (-	Acidity +)/kg					%
0 - 0.02	7.33A	0.18A	14.91B	4.04	1.83	0.2						
0 - 0.1	8.13A	0.266A	19.92B	5.91	1.42	1.17						
0.15 - 0.2	9A	0.214A	23.77B	6.43	0.57	2.99						
0.3 - 0.4	9.08A	0.541A	21.08B	8.11	0.37	8.3						
0.7 - 0.8	8.07A	2.07A	18.99B	8.75	0.56	7.6						
1.2 - 1.3	8.47A	1.121A	17.05B	7.11	0.56	6.88						
2.5 - 2.6	5.27A	0.919A	13.13B	5.1	0.35	6.57						
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Total	Total	Tota	ıl Bulk	Pa	article	Size	Analysis	S
•		Č	Р	Р	N	K	Density	GV	cs	FS	Silt	Clay
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%		-
0 - 0.02	<0.1B	2.75C									12	30.2
0 - 0.1	0.4B	1.31C	11J								11	36.1
0.15 - 0.2	2B	0.96C	2.1J								11.9	39.8
0.3 - 0.4	1.6B	0.88C	1.3J								13.3	
0.7 - 0.8	0.1B	0.27C	6.4J								17.7	47.6
1.2 - 1.3	0.1B	0.17C	5.8J								14.5	
2.5 - 2.6	<0.1B	0.06C	21.4J								11.3	42.1
Depth	COLE	DLE Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents							Κs	at	K unsa	t
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar g/	0.5 Bar /g - m3/m	1 Bar 3	5 Bar 1	5 Bar	mm	ı/h	mm/h	

0 - 0.02 0 - 0.1 0.15 - 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