

**Project Name:** Soil Studies in the Lower Namoi Valley  
**Project Code:** EDGEROI **Site ID:** ed216 **Observation ID:** 1  
**Agency Name:** CSIRO Division of Soils (QLD)

#### Site Information

<b>Desc. By:</b>	D. McGarry	<b>Locality:</b>	Department of Agriculture, Myall Vale Research Station
<b>Date Desc.:</b>	15/03/85	<b>Elevation:</b>	199 metres
<b>Map Ref.:</b>	Sheet No. : 8837_N 1:50000	<b>Rainfall:</b>	No Data
<b>Northing/Long.:</b>	6655680 AMG zone: 55	<b>Runoff:</b>	No Data
<b>Easting/Lat.:</b>	749630 Datum: AGD66	<b>Drainage:</b>	No Data

#### Geology

<b>ExposureType:</b>	Undisturbed soil core	<b>Conf. Sub. is Parent. Mat.:</b>	No Data
<b>Geol. Ref.:</b>	No Data	<b>Substrate Material:</b>	No Data

#### Land Form

<b>Rel/Slope Class:</b>	No Data	<b>Pattern Type:</b>	No Data
<b>Morph. Type:</b>	No Data	<b>Relief:</b>	No Data
<b>Elem. Type:</b>	Terrace flat	<b>Slope Category:</b>	Level
<b>Slope:</b>	0 %	<b>Aspect:</b>	No Data

**Surface Soil Condition (dry):** Surface crust, Recently cultivated

#### Erosion:

#### Soil Classification

<b>Australian Soil Classification:</b>	N/A	<b>Mapping Unit:</b>	N/A
<b>ASC Confidence:</b>	Confidence level not specified	<b>Principal Profile Form:</b>	Ug5.15
		<b>Great Soil Group:</b>	Grey clay

**Site Disturbance:** Cultivation. Rainfed

#### Vegetation:

#### Surface Coarse Fragments:

#### Profile Morphology

A11p	0 - 0.1 m	Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); Dark greyish brown (10YR4/2-Dry); , 10YR83, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint; 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; Strong consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.2 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Abrupt, Smooth change to -
A12	0.1 - 0.3 m	Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Moist); Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2-Dry); , 10YR54, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint; Medium clay; Moderate 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; Strong consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.3 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Clear, Irregular change to -
B21	0.3 - 0.55 m	Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR64, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Lenticular; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Angular 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 8 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots;
B22	0.55 - 1.1 m	Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR64, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Faint; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Lenticular; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 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; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.2 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Gradual, Smooth
2B21	1.1 - 1.9 m	Dark brown (10YR3/3-Moist); , 10YR32, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Faint; , 10YR64, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Strong consistence; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.5 (pH meter); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots;
2B22	1.9 - 3.1 m	Brown (7.5YR4/4-Moist); , 10YR33, 20-50% , 15-30mm, Distinct; , 10YR31, 2-10% , 0-5mm, Faint; Light medium clay; Strong grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Smooth-ped 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; Field pH 8 (pH meter);

#### Morphological Notes

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**Observation Notes**

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, clay, parna on third fan, Namoi

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Core taken at the edge of the paddock.

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**Laboratory Test Results:**

Depth	pH	1:5 EC	Exchangeable Cations			Exchangeable	CEC	ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg	K	Na Cmol (+)/kg	Acidity		%
0 - 0.02	8.18A	0.094A	24.85B	7.9	1.83	0.15			
0 - 0.1	7.75A	0.222A	23.13B	7.23	2.07	0.26			
0.1 - 0.2	8.17A	0.126A	23.82B	7.06	1.3	0.41			
0.3 - 0.4	8.46A	0.14A	25.46B	7.78	0.62	0.61			
0.7 - 0.8	8.51A	0.155A	21.71B	11.02	0.72	0.89			
1.2 - 1.3	8.58A	0.166A	19.41B	11.79	0.64	1.67			
2.5 - 2.6	8.57A	0.139A	19.72B	11.45	0.51	2.38			

Depth  m	CaCO <sub>3</sub>	Organic C	Avail. P	Total P	Total N	Total K	Bulk Density	Particle Size		Analysis	
	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m <sup>3</sup>	GV	CS	FS %	Silt Clay
0 - 0.02	0.1B	1.18C									21.6 54.4
0 - 0.1	0.2B	1.59C	58.1J								21.7 56.1
0.1 - 0.2	0.2B	1.17C	10.3J								21.9 55.6
0.3 - 0.4	1.1B	0.87C	15.5J								24.1 57.5
0.7 - 0.8	1.3B	0.78C	28.5J								24 58.3
1.2 - 1.3	0.7B	0.51C	24.9J								26.7 59.1
2.5 - 2.6	<0.1B	0.25C	29.9J								25.4 55.4

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**Laboratory Analyses Completed for this profile**

15A2_CA	Exchangeable bases (Ca <sup>2+</sup> ,Mg <sup>2+</sup> ,Na <sup>+</sup> ,K <sup>+</sup> ) - 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
P10_CF_Z	Silt (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method