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: University of Sydney, I.A.Watson Research Farm

Date Desc.: Elevation: 218 metres 29/02/88 Map Ref.: Sheet No.: 8837 S 1:50000 Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6646300 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: No Data 769100 Datum: AGD66 No Data Easting/Lat.: Drainage:

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): Surface crust, Recently cultivated

Erosion:

Soil Classification

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

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Cultivation. Rainfed

Vegetation:

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

A11 0 - 0.1 m

Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); Dark grey (10YR4/1-Dry); , 10YR52, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct;

Light medium clay; Massive grade of structure; Moderate grade of structure, 2-5 mm, Granular;

Earthy fabric; Sandy (grains prominent) fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Few (<1 per 100mm2)

Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 8.5 (pH

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

A12 0.1 - 0.25 m Dark brown (7.5YR3/2-Moist); , 10YR52, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Massive grade of

structure; Weak grade of structure, 10-20 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 8.8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

A13 0.25 - 0.7 m Very dark grey (10YR3/1-Moist); , 10YR52, 0-2% , 0-5mm, Distinct; Medium heavy clay;

Moderate grade of structure, 5-10 mm, Lenticular; Weak grade of structure, 5-10 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; Very few (0 - 2 %), Calcareous, Fine (0 - 2 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH 8.8 (pH meter); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

Diffuse, Smooth change to -

A14 0.7 - 1 m Brown (10YR4/3-Moist); , 7.5YR44, 2-10% , 5-15mm, Distinct; Heavy clay; Moderate 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; Very firm consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH 8.8 (pH meter);

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

B21 1 - 1.9 m Brown (10YR4/3-Moist); , 7.5YR32, 2-10% , 5-15mm, Prominent; Medium heavy clay; Moderate

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; Very firm consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Coarse (6 - 20 mm), Soft segregations; Field pH 9

(pH meter);

B22 1.9 - 2.79 m Brown (7.5YR5/4-Moist); , 7.5YR42, 20-50% , 15-30mm, Distinct; , 5YR44, 0-2% , 5-15mm,

Distinct; Medium heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 100-200 mm, Lenticular; 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; Very firm consistence; Few (2 - 10 %), Calcareous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8.8 (pH meter);

Morphological Notes

0-3cm is both cultivated and sandy but is too thin to separate from 0-10. Note inwashed

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A12 n colour, suggesting waterlogging.

Observation Notes

Parent Rock: alluvial sediment, clay, from sandstone, clay and basalt, with lime parna on third fan

Site Notes

On western side of Plant Breeding Institite 20m east of fence on edge of wheat field. Surface is very weak crusting, and quite sandy.

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Laboratory Test Results:

Depth	рН	1:5 EC		hangeable			Exchangeable	CEC		ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m	Ca	Mg	К	Na Cmol (+	Acidity -)/kg				%
0 - 0.02	8.36A	0.135A	22.33B	9.23	1.97	0.39					
0 - 0.1	8.66A	0.257A	19.43B	13.54	1.29	2.74					
0.1 - 0.2	9.01A	0.296A	17.1B	18.66	0.92	4.48					
0.3 - 0.4	9.24A	0.418A	14.87B	23.72	0.72	8.51					
0.7 - 0.8	8.93A	0.82A	14.14B	23.36	0.96	14.06					
1.2 - 1.3	8.91A		11.07B	21.91	1.08	16.06					
2.5 - 2.6	8.88A	0.854A	7.6B	24.08	0.82	12.95					
Depth	CaCO3	Organic	Avail.	Total	Total	Total	l Bulk	Pa	rticle	Size	Analysis
•		Ċ	Р	Р	N	K	Density	G۷	CS	FS	Silt Clay
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%	
0 000	0.45	4 470									47.4.40.0
0 - 0.02	0.1B	1.47C	40.01								17.1 43.8
0 - 0.1	1.9B	1.13C	48.8J								14.8 41.5
0.1 - 0.2	3.5B	0.85C	5.9J								13.1 46.8
0.3 - 0.4	2.3B	0.63C	2.8J								13.2 46.6
0.7 - 0.8	1.8B 0.7B	0.4C 0.1C	9.2J								16.5 53
1.2 - 1.3		0.1C 0.1C	9.3J								15.4 55.8
2.5 - 2.6	1.1B	0.10	2.7J								15.9 56.3
Depth	COLE		Grav	imotric/Va	olumetric \	Nator Con	stante		Ksa		K unsat
Debui	COLE	Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar	0.5 Bar	1 Bar		Bar	r\ 50	aı	n unsat
m		Sat.	U.US Bar		g - m3/m		3 Dal 13	Dai	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