

**Project Name:** Soils of the Lower Macquarie Valley, New South Wales  
**Project Code:** Macquarie **Site ID:** 409 **Observation ID:** 1  
**Agency Name:** CSIRO Division of Soils (ACT)

#### Site Information

<b>Desc. By:</b>	N.J. McKenzie	<b>Locality:</b>	
<b>Date Desc.:</b>	13/10/85	<b>Elevation:</b>	No Data
<b>Map Ref.:</b>	Sheet No. : 8533 1:10000	<b>Rainfall:</b>	No Data
<b>Northing/Long.:</b>	6448600 AMG zone: 55	<b>Runoff:</b>	Slow
<b>Easting/Lat.:</b>	603944 Datum: AGD66	<b>Drainage:</b>	Moderately well drained

#### Geology

<b>ExposureType:</b>	Soil pit	<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>	Crest	<b>Relief:</b>	No Data
<b>Elem. Type:</b>	No Data	<b>Slope Category:</b>	No Data
<b>Slope:</b>	%	<b>Aspect:</b>	No Data

**Surface Soil Condition (dry):** Hardsetting

#### Erosion:

#### Soil Classification

<b>Australian Soil Classification:</b>		<b>Mapping Unit:</b>	OLD ALLUVIUM MEANDER PLAIN
N/A		<b>Principal Profile Form:</b>	Gn3.12
<b>ASC Confidence:</b>		<b>Great Soil Group:</b>	N/A
Confidence level not specified			

**Site Disturbance:** Complete clearing. Pasture, native or improved, cultivated at some stage

#### Vegetation:

Tall Strata - Tussock grass, 0.51-1m, Mid-dense. \*Species includes - None Recorded

#### Surface Coarse Fragments:

#### Profile Morphology

A1p	0 - 0.1 m	Dark reddish brown (2.5YR3/4-Moist); ; Sandy clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Common (1-5 per 100mm <sup>2</sup> ) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Common (1-5 per 100mm <sup>2</sup> ) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m <sup>2</sup> ) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 6 (Raupach); Many, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Clear, Smooth change to -
B21	0.1 - 0.65 m	Dark red (2.5YR3/6-Moist); ; Light medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Many (>5 per 100mm <sup>2</sup> ) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Many (>5 per 100mm <sup>2</sup> ) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m <sup>2</sup> ) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moist; Weak consistence; Many cutans, >50% of ped faces or walls coated; Many cutans, >50% of ped faces or walls coated; Field pH 6.5 (Raupach); Many, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to -
B22	0.65 - 1.35 m	Dark red (10R3/6-Moist); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Angular blocky; Smooth-ped fabric; Many (>5 per 100mm <sup>2</sup> ) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Many (>5 per 100mm <sup>2</sup> ) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m <sup>2</sup> ) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moist; Weak consistence; Many cutans, >50% of ped faces or walls coated; Many cutans, >50% of ped faces or walls coated; Field pH 7.5 (Raupach); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots;

#### Morphological Notes

A1p A few infilled channels at depth - mud bath! Mn coatings in B22 - a deep red profile; well structured and quite uniform.

#### Observation Notes

Mitchell Soil Profile Class, Well Drained Phase

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**Laboratory Test Results:**

Depth	pH	1:5 EC	Ca	Exchangeable Mg	Cations K	Na	Exchangeable Acidity	CEC	ECEC	ESP
m		dS/m				Cmol (+)/kg				%
0.1 - 0.15	5.5A	0.033A	2.5E	0.6	0.6	0.1			3.8D	
0.3 - 0.35	6.5A	0.023A								
0.7 - 0.75	7.5A	0.037A	7E	5.2	0.3	0.4			12.9D	
1.3 - 1.35	8.2A	0.054A								

Depth	CaCO3	Organic C	Avail. P	Total P	Total N	Total K	Bulk Density	Particle GV	Size CS	Analysis FS	Silt	Clay
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%		
0.1 - 0.15							1.67		21.5A	38.8	12.6	27.1
0.3 - 0.35							1.60					
0.7 - 0.75							1.59		15.1A	25.1	8.6	51.1
1.3 - 1.35							1.61					

Depth	COLE	Gravimetric/Volumetric Water Contents						K sat	K unsat
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar	0.5 Bar	1 Bar	5 Bar	15 Bar	
				g/g	m3/m3				mm/h
0.1 - 0.15	0.02A			0.13G				0.07D	
0.3 - 0.35	0.054A			0.15G				0.09D	
0.7 - 0.75	0.05A			0.2G				0.14D	
1.3 - 1.35	0.054A			0.2G				0.16D	

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**Laboratory Analyses Completed for this profile**

15C1_CA	Exchangeable bases (Ca <sup>2+</sup> ,Mg <sup>2+</sup> ,Na <sup>+</sup> ,K <sup>+</sup> ) - alcoholic 1M ammonium chloride at pH 8.5, pretreatment for soluble salts
15C1_K	Exchangeable bases and CEC - alcoholic 1M ammonium chloride at pH 8.5, pretreatment for soluble salts
15C1_MG	Exchangeable bases and CEC - alcoholic 1M ammonium chloride at pH 8.5, pretreatment for soluble salts
15C1_NA	Exchangeable bases and CEC - alcoholic 1M ammonium chloride at pH 8.5, pretreatment for soluble salts
15J_BASES	Sum of Bases
3A1	EC of 1:5 soil/water extract
4A1	pH of 1:5 soil/water suspension
P10_CF_C	Clay (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method
P10_CF_CS	Coarse sand (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method
P10_CF_FS	Fine sand (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method
P10_CF_Z	Silt (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method
P3A1	Bulk density - g/cm <sup>3</sup>
P3B1GV_15	15 BAR Moisture g/g - Gravimetric of ground sample (<2mm) using pressure plate
P3B4GV_01	0.1 BAR Moisture g/g - Gravimetric of soil clods (Soil Survey Staff,1967)
P5_COLE	Coefficient of Linear Extensibility (Grossman et al. 1968)