Project Name: Soils of the Lower Macquarie Valley, New South Wales

Project Code: Macquarie Site ID: 521 Observation ID: 1

Agency Name: **CSIRO Division of Soils (ACT)**

Site Information

Desc. By: N.J. McKenzie Locality:

Date Desc.: Elevation: 06/12/85 No Data Sheet No.: 8434 1:10000 Map Ref.: Rainfall: No Data Northing/Long.: 6477080 AMG zone: 55 Runoff: Slow Well drained Easting/Lat.: 578900 Datum: AGD66 Drainage:

Geology

ExposureType: Conf. Sub. is Parent. Mat.: Soil pit No Data **Substrate Material:** Geol. Ref.: No Data No Data

Land Form

Rel/Slope Class: No Data Pattern Type: No Data Morph. Type: Mid-slope Relief: No Data Elem. Type: Slope Category: No Data No Data Aspect: No Data Slope:

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Hardsetting, Surface crust

Erosion:

Soil Classification

ASC Confidence:

Australian Soil Classification: OLD ALLUVIUM **Mapping Unit:** N/A

MEANDER PLAIN

Principal Profile Form: Gn4.12 **Great Soil Group:** N/A

Confidence level not specified

Site Disturbance: Complete clearing. Pasture, native or improved, but never cultivated

Vegetation:

Tall Strata - Tussock grass, 0.51-1m, Sparse. *Species includes - None Recorded

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

A11 0 - 0.07 m Dark reddish brown (2.5YR3/4-Moist); ; Sandy clay; Weak grade of structure, 20-50 mm,

Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 6.5 (Raupach); Many, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Many, fine (1-2mm) roots; Many,

medium (2-5mm) roots; Gradual, Smooth change to

Red (2.5YR4/6-Moist); ; Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Subangular A12 0.07 - 0.35 m

blocky; Earthy fabric; Many (>5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Many (>5 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m2) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moist; Weak consistence; Field pH 7 (Raupach); Many, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Many, fine (1-2mm)

roots; Many, medium (2-5mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to -

B21 0.35 - 0.6 m Dark red (2.5YR3/6-Moist); Medium clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Polyhedral;

Rough-ped fabric; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m2) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence: Common cutans, 10-50% of ped faces or walls coated; Field pH 7.5 (Raupach); Common, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Common, fine (1-2mm)

roots; Common, medium (2-5mm) roots; Gradual, Smooth change to -

B22 0.6 - 1.35 m Dark red (2.5YR3/6-Moist); , 10R34, 2-10% , 15-30mm, Distinct; Medium clay; Moderate grade of

structure, 10-20 mm, Polyhedral; Rough-ped fabric; Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Common (1-5 per 100mm2) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m2) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Many cutans, >50% of ped faces or walls coated; Very few (0 - 2 %), Ferruginous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Very few (0 - 2 %), Manganiferous, Medium (2 -6 mm), Nodules; Field pH 8 (Raupach); Few,

very fine (0-1mm) roots; Few, fine (1-2mm) roots;

Morphological Notes

Texture does not seem to vary much but yet profile looks different in B. The A12 is very

friable.

Observation Notes

Mitchell Soil Profile Class, Well Drained Phase

Site Notes

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Laboratory Test Results:

Depth	рН	1:5 EC		nangeable Mg	Cations K	Na	Exchangeable Acidity	e CEC	E	CEC	ESP
m		dS/m		_		Cmol (+))/kg				%
0.1 - 0.15 0.3 - 0.35	6.8A 7.1A	0.039A 0.021A	2.7E	0.5	1.5	0.1			4	.8D	
0.7 - 0.75 1.3 - 1.35	7.8A 8.5A	0.025A 0.046A	5.4E	2.7	0.7	0.3			9	.1D	
Depth	CaCO3	Organic C	Avail. P	Total P	Total N	Total K	Bulk Density			ize Analys FS Silt	is Clay
m	%	%	mg/kg	%	%	%	Mg/m3			%	-
0.1 - 0.15 0.3 - 0.35							1.49 1.55		23.8A	38.7 11.	3 26.1
0.7 - 0.75 1.3 - 1.35							1.64 1.50		22.2A	29.5 8.9	9 39.5
Depth	COLE		Gravimetric/Volumetric W						K sat	K unsat	
m		Sat.	0.05 Bar	0.1 Bar g/g	0.5 Bar g - m3/m3	1 Bar	5 Bar	15 Bar	mm/h	mm/	h
0.1 - 0.15 0.3 - 0.35 0.7 - 0.75 1.3 - 1.35	0.028/ 0.022/ 0.03A 0.073/	A		0.13G 0.14G 0.17G 0.17G				0.07D 0.08D 0.11D 0.16D			

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Laboratory Analyses Completed for this profile

15C1_CA Exchangeable bases (Ca2+,Mg2+,Na+,K+) - 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

EC of 1:5 soil/water extract 3A1 4A1 pH of 1:5 soil/water suspension

Clay (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method

P10_CF_C P10_CF_CS P10_CF_FS Coarse sand (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method Fine sand (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method P10_CF_Z Silt (%) - Coventry and Fett pipette method

P3A1 Bulk density - g/cm3

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)