

Project Name: Soils of the Lower Macquarie Valley, New South Wales
Project Code: Macquarie **Site ID:** 546 **Observation ID:** 1
Agency Name: CSIRO Division of Soils (ACT)

Site Information

Desc. By:	N.J. McKenzie	Locality:	
Date Desc.:	10/12/85	Elevation:	No Data
Map Ref.:	Sheet No. : 8434 1:10000	Rainfall:	No Data
Northing/Long.:	6483433 AMG zone: 55	Runoff:	Slow
Easting/Lat.:	584200 Datum: AGD66	Drainage:	Moderately well drained

Geology

ExposureType:	Soil pit	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:	Flat	Relief:	No Data
Elem. Type:	No Data	Slope Category:	No Data
Slope:	%	Aspect:	No Data

Surface Soil Condition (dry): Firm

Erosion:

Soil Classification

Australian Soil Classification:	N/A	Mapping Unit:	MACQUARIE ALLUVIUM LEVEE DE
		Principal Profile Form:	Uf1.13
		Great Soil Group:	N/A

ASC Confidence:

Confidence level not specified

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

Vegetation:

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

Surface Coarse Fragments:

Profile Morphology

A1	0 - 0.3 m	Brown (7.5YR4/3-Moist); ; Medium clay; Weak grade of structure, 10-20 mm, Subangular blocky; Earthy fabric; Many (>5 per 100mm ²) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Many (>5 per 100mm ²) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Common (1-5 per 0.01m ²) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moist; Firm consistence; Field pH 7 (Raupach); Many, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Many, fine (1-2mm) roots; Many, medium (2-5mm) roots; Clear, Irregular change to -
2A	0.3 - 0.4 m	Dark brown (7.5YR3/3-Moist); ; Silty clay; Moderate grade of structure, 20-50 mm, Angular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Fine, (0 - 5) mm crack; Many (>5 per 100mm ²) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Many (>5 per 100mm ²) Fine (1-2mm) macropores, Few (<1 per 0.01m ²) Medium (2-5mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Firm consistence; Field pH 7.5 (Raupach); Many, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Many, fine (1-2mm) roots; Many, medium (2-5mm) roots; Gradual, Irregular change to -
2B21	0.4 - 0.95 m	Brown (7.5YR4/2-Moist); ; Heavy clay; Strong grade of structure, 50-100 mm, Angular blocky; Rough-ped fabric; Medium, (5 - 10) mm crack; Common (1-5 per 100mm ²) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Moderately moist; Very firm consistence; Field pH 7 (Raupach); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Few, fine (1-2mm) roots; Diffuse, Smooth change to -
2B22	0.95 - 1.35 m	Greyish brown (10YR5/2-Moist); ; Heavy clay; Moderate grade of structure; Rough-ped fabric; Few (<1 per 100mm ²) Very fine (0.075-1mm) macropores, Wet; Very firm consistence; Field pH 8 (Raupach); Few, very fine (0-1mm) roots; Few, fine (1-2mm) roots;

Morphological Notes

A1 A fairly tricky layered soil. The soil is very heterogeneous at about 30-40cm. The underneath soil is a cracking clay that has 'eaten' a fair amount of the upper alluvial layer.

Observation Notes

Ellengerah Soil Profile Class

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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	7.1A	0.059A	9.3E	4.4	0.9	0.2			14.8D	
0.3 - 0.35	7.6A	0.054A								
0.7 - 0.75	7.6A	0.047A	11.1E	8.5	0.5	1.3			21.4D	
1.3 - 1.35	8.5A	0.075A								

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							1.43		0.5A	19.4	43.8	36.2
0.3 - 0.35							1.31					
0.7 - 0.75							1.41		2.5A	17.4	28.5	51.6
1.3 - 1.35							1.54					

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	0.03A			0.18G				0.17D	
0.3 - 0.35	0.03A			0.2G				0.18D	
0.7 - 0.75	0.103A			0.28G				0.2D	
1.3 - 1.35	0.059A			0.22G				0.21D	

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Laboratory Analyses Completed for this profile

15C1_CA	Exchangeable bases (Ca ²⁺ ,Mg ²⁺ ,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
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 ³
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)