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## LOW HEAD

Low hills formed on Jurassic dolerite are scattered along the north coast between Low Head and Great Musselroe Bay. These low hills are characterised by their flat crests. Numerous areas too small to map were found dotted along the coast between Cape Portland and Great Musselroe Bay and have been

included in the Cape Portland Land System (393124). Parts of this system near Low Head have been previously described by Nicolls (1957).

The gradational soils support an open-forest dominated by white gum and black peppermint.

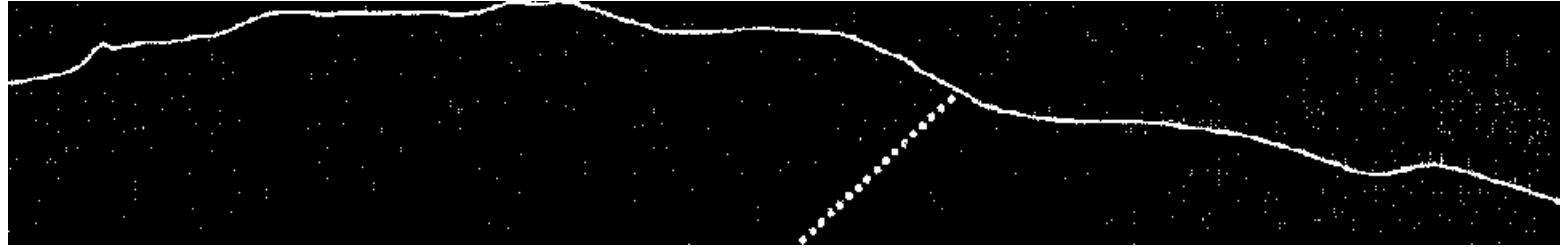
Grazing is the major land use, with recreation important in particular localities.

Sheet erosion is the main hazard.

**LAND SYSTEM**

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COMPONENT	1	2
PROPORTION %	60	40
CLIMATE	Average Annual Rainfall 625-750 mm	
GEOLOGY	Jurassic dolerite	
TOPOGRAPHY	Low hills	
Land form	Low hills	
Position	Crests and upper slopes	Lower slopes
Average Sideslope °	6	4
NATIVE VEGETATION	Open -forest	
Structure	Open -forest	
Association	White gum, silver wattle, honeysuckle	Black peppermint, white gum
SOIL	Stony, yellowish red (5 YR 4/6) gradational soil	Yellowish brown (10 YR 5/8) gradational soil
Surface Texture	Gravelly clay loam	
Permeability	Mod<	
Average Depth m	1.4	1.0
PRESENT LAND USE	Grazing, recreation, nature conservation	
HAZARDS	Moderate sheet erosion	Low sheet erosion