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WELDBOROUGH

Undulating plains formed on Tertiary non-marine clays and gravels occur near Weldborough on the Tasman Highway.

The gravel in the surface layer of the gradational soil on the rolling plains most probably derived from the surrounding Devonian outcrops. A deep mottled clay soil has developed on the slopes and swales.

The woodland vegetation is predominantly white gum, black peppermint and swamp gum, with an understorey of wattles.

Grazing and nature conservation constitute the main land uses.

Principal hazards are sheet and gully erosion. The Weld River traverses this system, causing minor localised flooding after heavy rains.

LAND SYSTEM 784221 ***************************** Weldborough COMPONENT 2 PROPORTION % 20 80 CLIMATE Average Annual Rainfall 1 500-2 000 mm GEOLOGY Tertiary clays and gravels TOPOGRAPHY Land form Undulating plains Position Rolling plains Slopes and swales Average Sideslope ° 2 NATIVE VEGETATION Structure Woodland White gum, black peppermint, silver wattle Black peppermint, swamp gum, white gum, black wattle Association Mottled strong brown (7.5 YR 5/8) grey (10 YR 6/1) clay soil, SOIL Dark brown (10 YR 3/3) gradational soil uniform texture Surface Texture Gravelly clay loam Light clay Moderate Low Permeability Average Depth m 1.5 >2.0 PRESENT LAND USE Grazing, nature conservation HAZARDS Moderate to low sheet and gully erosion