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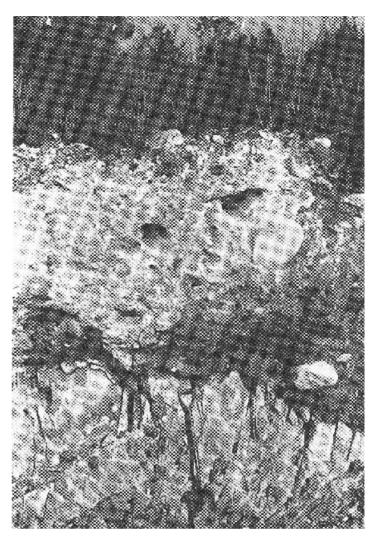
HENTY

Henty land system is rolling to undulating country, formed on a mixture of parent materials but mainly influenced by stony and gravelly periglacial deposits. It occurs in the south of Region 3 in the Bulgobac River and the Rosebery-Williamsford area. The other principal development is in the Henty River, north of Queenstown, where it occupies a belt of gentler slopes between the high mountain peaks above and the steep valley slopes below.

A constant feature of soils in this land system is the influence of organic material. This results in peaty loams and organic soils on the higher parts while peat forms a thin surface layer over uniform clay profiles on the lower slopes. The soils are all



Deep deposits of periglacial material exposed in a roadside cutting near Queenstown



Penglaaal deposits overlying slaty country rock The complex dts tnbution of the various parent materials represented in this land system has resulted in an even more complex mixture of soils

relatively shallow and are mostly gravelly. However, although the soils listed on the description sheet predominate, the complex nature of parent materials has resulted in considerable variability in profile depth, stoniness, amount of gravel, colour and texture grading.

Button grass is the principal member of a closed heath and sedgeland growing on the poorly drained areas of organic soils. Elsewhere, King Billy pine, myrtle, sassafras and celery-top pine form a tree layer over a dense scrub comprised mainly of leatherwood, *Acacia mucronata*, horizontal, *Bauera rubioides*, and *Leptospermum nitidum*.

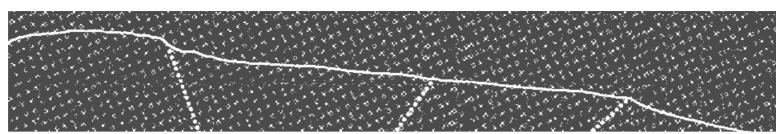
Nature conservation and mining exploration are the main land uses.

There is a moderate soil erosion hazard over most of the area.

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| COMPONENT           | 1  | 2   | 3  | 4  |
|---------------------|--|---|--|--|
| PROPORTION %        | 20   | 35  | 25   | 20   |
| CLIMATE             | Average Annual Rainfall 2 000-2 500 mm   |   |  |  |
| GEOLOGY             | Quaternary periglacial deposits, with Cambrian intermediate volcanics, slates and greywacke, Ordovician slate                                  |   |  |  |
|                     | Quaternary periglacial deposits  | Slates and penglacial deposits  | Cambrian rocks   | Slates   |
| TOPOGRAPHY          | Rolling footslopes   |   |  |  |
| Land form           |  |   |  |  |
| Position            | Gentle crests  | Gentle midslopes  | Gentle lower slopes  | Steeper lower slopes   |
| Average Sideslope ° |  | 4   |  | 10   |
| NATIVE VEGETATION   |  |   |  |  |
| Structure           | Closed forest and scrub  | Closed heath and sedgeland  | Closed forest and scrub  |  |
| Association         | King Billy pine, myrtle, celery top pine, Eucryphia milliganii, Acacia mucronata, horizontal, Smith ton peppermint, honeysuckle, cutting grass | Button grass, Sprengelia incarnata, woolly tea tree, Smith ton pepper mint, honeysuckle, manuka | King Billy pine, myrtle, sassafras, Bauera rubioides, Leptospermum nitidum, horizontal, Acacia mucronata |  |
| SOIL                | Stony, gravelly, reddish grey (5 YR 5/2) peaty loam soil uniform texture   | Black to dark reddish brown loamy<br>peat, becoming gravelly                                    | Brownish yellow (10 YR 6/6) to dark yellowish brown (10 YR 4/4) clay soil, uniform texture               | Gravelly, brown (10 YR 5/3) to<br>greyish brown (10 YR 5/2) light<br>clay soil uniform texture |
| Surface Texture     |  | F   | Peat   |  |
| Permeability        | High   |   | Moderate   | High   |
| Average Depth m     | 0 3  | 0 5   | 0 6  | 0 4  |
| RESENT LAND USE     | Nature conservation, mining exploration  |   |  |  |
| IAZARDS             | Moderate sheet erosion   | Moderate rill erosion   | Low sheet erosion  | Moderate sheet, rill and streambank erosion  |