Site code¹ MM5078

Location Devon Road, Waurn Ponds

Landform Hills

Geology Cretaceous fluvial sediments: Eumeralla Formation; volcanolithic sandstone,

siltstone, mudstone and coal

Element Crest

Profile morphology

Horizon	Depth (cm)	Description					
A1	0–20	Very dark greyish brown (10YR3/2); clay loam; massive structure; weak consistence (dry); clear boundary to:					
A2	20–30	Brown (10YR5/3), conspicuously bleached, very pale brown (10YR7/3 dry); clay loam; very many fine segregations; sharp boundary to:					
B21	30+	Dark brown (10YR3/3) with yellowish brown (10YR5/6) mottles; medium clay; strong fine blocky structure; smooth ped fabric; very firm consistence (moderately moist); common coarse segregations.					

ASC: Ferric; Mottled-Mesonatric; Brown Sodosol

Analytical data²

Site	Sample	pН		EC	NaCl	Ex Ca	Ex Mg	Ex K	Ex Na	Ex Al	Ex
MM5015	depth										acidity
Horizon	cm	H ₂ O	CaCl ₂	dS/m	%	cmolc/kg	cmolc/kg	cmolc/kg	cmolc/kg	mg/kg	cmolc/kg
A1	0–20	5.8	N/R	0.15	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
A2	20-30	6.6	N/R	0.07	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
B21	30+	6.4	N/R	0.29	0.06	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Site MM5015 Horizon	Sample depth cm	FC (-10kPa) %	PWP (-1500kPa) %	KS %	FS %	Zi %	C %	Org C	Bulk density t m ⁻³
A1	0–20	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
A2	20-30	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R
B21	30+	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R	N/R

Management considerations

Mottles in the subsoil indicate reduced permeability and periods of waterlogging. The massive topsoil also may create a barrier to soil penetration. The application of gypsum and introduction of organic matter may assist the development of topsoil structure while better site drainage will reduce periods of waterlogging.

¹ Source: Maher JM, Martin JJ 1987 Soils and landforms of south-western Victoria. Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs. Research Report No. 40.

² Source: Government of Victoria, State Chemistry Laboratory.