

A. GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The moderately steep slopes of the Kerrie Conglomerate have a similar soil type to that of the crests and steep slopes although the soils are slightly deeper. Susceptibility to sheet, rill and wind erosion is moderate.

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

Parent Material Age: Depth to Seas. Watertable: Devonian >5.0 m **Parent Material** Flooding Risk: Nil Sedimentary Lithology:

Landform Pattern: Rolling hills Well drained Drainage:

Landform Element: Hillslope **Rock Outcrop:** 0-20% Slope a) common: 26% Depth to Hard Rock: >1.0 m Grazing,

Slope b) range: 21-32% **Present Land Use:** forested

Potential Recharge to Groundwater: Moderate

Major Native Vegetation Species: Silver Wattle, Manna Gum, Messmate, Bracken Fern

LAND DEGRADATION

Land Degradation	Water Erosion		Wind	Mass	Calting	Acidification
	sheet/rill	gully	Erosion	Movement	Salting	Acidification
Susceptibility	Moderate	Moderate	Mod-high	Moderate	Very low	Low-mod
Incidence	Low-mod	Low-mod	Low	Low	Nil	Not available

B. SOIL PROFILE

PROFILE DESCRIPTION

Dark brown (10YR3/3) coarse sandy loam, weak subangular blocky structure, rough A11 0-80 mm

fabric, pH 6.0. Gradual transition to:

A12 80-320 mm Dark brown (10YR3/3) coarse sandy loam, weak subangular blocky structure, rough

fabric, pH 6.0 Gradual transition to:

B2 320-700 mm+ Brown (10YR4/3) heavy coarse sandy loam, weak subangular blocky structure, rough

fabric, pH 6.0.

CLASSIFICATION

Factual Key: Uc6.11

Australian Soil Classification: Haplic, ?, Brown Kandosol, (confidence level 4);

thick, non-gravely, loamy/loamy, moderate

Unified Soil Group: Not available

INTERPRETATION OF LABORATORY ANALYSIS*

Horizon	pH (H₂O)	% Gravel	E.C. (salts)	Nutrient Status	Р	К	AI	Organic matter	Dispersibility
A11	6.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
A12	6.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
B2	6.0	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

VL: Very Low L: Low M: Moderate H: High VH: Very High D: Deficient S: Satisfactory T: Potentially Toxic NA: Not Available ** see appendix D for analytical results ** Strongly Acidic

SOIL PROFILE CHARACTERISTICS:

Permeability: Moderate (estimate)

Available Water Capacity: Moderate (110 mm H₂O) Linear Shrinkage (B horizon): Low (estimate)

C. LAND CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT

Land Use	Class	Major Limiting Feature(s)/Land Use	
Agriculture	$C_2T_4S_3$	Slope	
Effluent Disposal (septic tanks)	4	Slope	
Farm Dams	5	Slope	
Building Foundations slab	4	Slope	
stumps/footings	3	Slope, susceptibility to slope failure, stone and boulder content (variable)	