Topographic Key

Topograph	Slope	Code	
FLATS/LEVEL	TERRAIN		
	Flat Plain	0-1%	FP
	Peneplain	<3%	PP
ROLLING TERI			
	Undulating Hills	10-30%	UH
	Undulating Low Hills	3-10%	ULH
	Undulating Terrain	1-3%	UT
HILLY TERRAL			
	Dissected Terrain	>30%	DT
	Hill	10-30%	Н
	Low Hill	3-10%	LH
	High Rise	<10%	HR
	Low Rise	2-3%	LR
	Dunes	<30%	D
	Lunettes	<30%	Lu
SLOPING TERF	RAIN/HILL ELEMENTS	L	
	Very Gentle Slope	<3%	VGS
	Gentle Slope	3-10%	GS
	Moderate Slope	10-30%	MS
	Steep Slope	>30%	SS
	Fan	3-10%	F
	Foot Hill	<15%	FH
	Foot Slope	<10%	FS
	Crest	0-1%	Cr
LOWLAND TE			
	Alluvial Plain	0-1%	AP
	Covered Plain	0-1%	CP
	Drainage Complex	0-1%	DC
	Levee	<10%	L
	Open Depression	<4%	OD
	Swamp	-	S

Soil Key

Soil Type No.	Geology Coding	Brief Soil Description*]	Soil Type No.	Geology Coding	Brief Soil Description*
1	E	Shallow to moderately deep, well structured red, brown and yellow gradational earths with clay loam friable crumb surfaces and gritty medium clay subsoils. Minor red and mottled yellow duplex soils.		6	Dvj	Moderately deep to deep friable mottled brown and yellow duplex soils which incorporate conspicuously bleached A ₂ horizons and, often a layer of ferruginised buckshot gravels immediately above the clayey subsoils.
2 Qi Qrc of Oi Oms (minor) A complex of (i) shallow to moderately deep, well structured red, and yellow smooth ped gradational earths with massive clay loam surfaces and coarse subangular blocky, gritty clay subsoils; (ii)			7	Dvj	A complex of shallow to moderately deep, brown to grey smooth ped gradational earths which may exhibit sand and/or gravel layers and/or a lateritic pan. Profiles may overlie buried grey smooth ped uniform clays.	
	moderately deep sandy pedal yellow and brown duplex variants, in which loamy sands to sandy loam surfaces predominate. Bleached A ₂ horizons are common. Minor instances of very shallow skeletal soils occur.			8	Clk Qrc off Clk	A complex of (i) shallow, weakly structured yellow and yellowish brown duplexes and (ii) moderately deep friable red duplexes. Profiles have a massive sand or sandy loam surface with a weakly structured sandy clay subsoil. Bleached A_2 horizons may occur in the sandier
stratified and sandy pedal duplex soils	Deep well structured yellow and brown gradational earths with minor instances of stratified and sandy pedal duplex soils. Gravel and sand inclusions are not			<u> </u>	profile variants. Gravel and stone are very common on steeper terrain. Minor skeletal soils are present.	
		uncommon.		9	Clk, Qrc, Qra, Qs,	A complex of (i) shallow to moderately deep, yellow and yellowish brown duplexes with
4	Cgm, Cgv, Dgr, Dgd Qra off	A complex of shallow to deep profiles consisting of (i) pedal mottled yellow duplexes with sandy and clayey sand surfaces and strongly structured medium clay subsoils; (ii) yellow well structured smooth ped gradational earths with massive sandy loam surfaces and gritty light clay subsoils. Variable site specific deep profiles			Tpp (minor)	single grained sand to clayey and surfaces and strong angular blocky sandy clay subsoils. Occasional bleached A_2 horizons and mottled subsoils occur, and (ii) deep sandy pedal black, dark grey and brown friable duplex soils with apedal sand and loamy sand surfaces and coarse strong angular blocky silty clay subsoils. Minor gravel pans and shallow skeletal soils may be seen.
	Dgd, Dgr	comprising (i) pale yellow uniform apedal coarse siliceous sands and (ii) yellow to pale brown pedologically underdeveloped sands and earthy sands. Very minor sandy pedal yellow duplexes.		10	Qra off Clk	Stream, terrace and swamp alluvium comprising deep, yellow and light grey uniformly coarse apedal sands. Surfaces are single grained sands whilst subsoils comprise massive to weak subangular blocky clayey sands.
				11	Qrc, Qra minor Clk	A complex of moderately deep to deep yellowish brown to dark brown gradational and duplex soils which show sand to sandy loam surfaces and strongly coarse angular blocky medium clay subsoils. Some deep uniformly coarse textured sands occur.
				12	Tp, Tpb, Tpp Qrc	A complex of deep profiles which consist of (i) uniformly coarse textured bleached siliceous sands which may show coloured B horizons, and (ii) friable red and brown duplex and gradational soils. In some instances the sands may overlie the clayey earths.

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13	Tpd	Deep mottled yellow and yellowish brown friable duplex soils with crumb structured sandy loam surfaces and strong coarse subangular blocky light clay subsoils. Some minor gradational variants occur. Bleached A ₂ horizons are common becoming the typical hard soil layer when dry.	
14	Tpd	Deep, well structured greyish brown earths with massive clay loam surfaces and mottled coarse moderate angular blocky heavy clay subsoils.	
15	Tp1	Sandy and friable pedal yellow duplexes, with a massive to weak subangular blocky sandy loam to sandy clay surface. Subsoils are moderate to strongly structured medium to heavy clays which may incorporate sand and some mottling. Gravels and some salting may occur throughout the profile.	
16	Tp1	Black, rough ped gradational earths with minor buckshot gravels. Surfaces comprise fine granular to moderate medium crumb clay loams or silty clay loams; minor fine sands may be present. Subsoils are medium clays with a moderate sub-angular blocky structure.	
17	Qrn	A complex of (i) pedal mottled yellow duplexes with massive clay loam surfaces and moderate to strongly structured medium to heavy silty clays. Bleached A ₂ horizons common; (ii) uniformly fine textured mottled clays with a moderate well structured silty light clay surface and a coarse moderate subangular blocky silty medium clay subsoil. Salting is evident lower lying areas.	
18	Qpa	A complex of stratified alluvial soils comprising coarse uniform and yellow duplex profiles. Surfaces are single grained to massive sands and loamy sands whilst subsoils have variable structure from single grained to moderate subangular blocky, with medium to heavy clays that may contain silt and sand.	
19	Qs, Qc, Qrs	A variable complex of deep profiles consisting of (i) friable yellow and yellowish brown well structured gradational earths with sandy loam surfaces; (ii) friable and sandy mottled yellow duplex soils with loamy sand surfaces and often a bleached A_2 horizon, with a buckshot gravel pan overlying the clayey subsoil; (iii) black and grey smooth ped gradational earths; (iv) variable but site specific stratified alluvial soils of sandy pedal duplex types.	
20	Qs, Qc	Deep dark grey uniformly fine textured seasonally cracking clays with hear setting (sometimes self mulching) surfaces. Some areas may have thin sand veneers. Very rare red, red brown gradational earths.	
21	Q1	Deep pale single grained sands which incorporate a dry compacted bleached massive A_2 horizon. At depth these sands overlie a strongly structured seasonally cracking clay.	
22	Qu	Deep pedologically developed, uniformly coarse textured, brown and red earths sandy and siliceous sands.	
23	Qrd, Q1	A complex of deep sands including (i) weak to firm pale and pale yellow profiles with sporadically bleached A_2 horizons; (ii) layered grey to yellow brown sands; (iii) minor sandy pedal mottled yellow duplexes with bleached A_2 horizons; and; (iv) uniformly coarse textured apedal very pale brown to white (isolated red) clayey sands.	
24	Qrd	Deep uniformly fine textured, pedologically underdeveloped, stratified, pale and pale brown (to white) siliceous sands with organic surfaces common. Very minor instances of brown to yellow duplex soils with deep sand surfaces.	
25	Qs, Qra	A complex of deep variable soils comprising (i) alluvials, (ii) brownish sands; (iii) sandy pedal yellow and yellowish brown duplexes and friable brown duplexes (these soils show single grained apedal surfaces).	

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26	Qra	Complex and site specific deep apedal soils comprising yellow and yellow brown duplexes. Profiles are commonly stratified. Surfaces are dark grey and brown single grained sands which overlie uniformly fine textured massive smooth ped medium to heavy clays. Mottling is common in these subsoils.
27	Qs	Complex and site specific deep soils consisting of (i) brown and yellow sometimes mottled strongly structured, smooth ped gradational earths with unbleached A_2 horizons frequent. Surfaces are often friable hydrophobic crumb structured, non-cracking, brown to light olive brown plastic clays. Surfaces often show some organic litter residues.

* Geological coding is based on that used in the 1:250,000 geological series as published through the Department of Minerals and Energy. Specifically these maps involve the Ballarat, Horsham, Hamilton and St Arnaud mapsheets.

