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ENCLOSURE

1:5 000 000 map of regolith terrain units pocket at back

SUMMARY

Australia has been divided into 392 regolith terrain units on the basis of dominant topography, geology and regolith (soils, weathering profiles and surficial deposits). The regolith terrain units are depicted on a map at 1:5 000 000 scale which serves as an index to a set of data cards on which each unit is described in a standard format. The map and cards thus provide a data base of regolith terrain description for the whole continent.

INTRODUCTION

The Definition of Regolith

Regolith is a general term for the layer or mantle of fragmental and unconsolidated rock material, whether residual or transported, that nearly everywhere forms the surface of the land and overlies or covers bedrock. It includes rock debris of all kinds including saprolite (weathered rock in place), volcanic ash, glacial drift, alluvium, aeolian deposits, vegetal accumulations, and "soil."

"Soil" is itself very difficult to define, as it is used in different senses by agriculturalists and engineers. There is a definition problem with sediments, which may extend to hundreds of metres in a sedimentary basin. Another problem is that some regolith is not unconsolidated but is very hard, as in the case of silcrete and other duricrusts. These problems of definition will not be pursued here: most workers in the field have a pragmatic feel about what is regolith.

The need to study the regolith

The regolith is important for at least three reasons. Firstly it is of intrinsic scientific importance, especially in Australia, where so much of the continent is covered in thick regolith and where much of the later geological history of the continent is recorded. Secondly, some regolith materials are of economic importance, such as bauxite, uraniferous calcrete, opal, or kaolin, and in other cases the regolith hosts economically

important materials such as gold, diamonds, tin, or groundwater. Thirdly, over large areas the regolith is a barrier between mineral explorers and their targets, and they would like to have more understanding of this barrier to enable them to ask the right questions. The mineral industry, and notably Western Mining, had made strong appeals for regolith research to be undertaken by CSIRO, and later by BMR. BMR initiated a regolith project partly in response to this request from industry.

Regolith studies

In the past some detailed studies of specific regolith problems have been undertaken by BMR but it was apparent that the national earth science research institute - the BMR - should take a broader view, with a nationwide coverage and a study of fundamental problems, as well as being concerned about local industrial problems. The chosen strategy for regolith research was therefore to study details of the regolith in specially favourable sites (such as deep open pit mines) or where suitable data were available, and to extrapolate regolith mapping by regional landscape studies.

It is also desirable to integrate the large amount of regolith information already available. A data base is required, and this should be related to localities through a map. The first function of a regolith map should therefore be as an adjunct to a data base. Indeed, given present day computer technology, maps and tabulation of data can be seen as part and parcel of the same data base.

But there is a second reason for wanting regolith maps: there is a large amount of available information on some areas, but other large areas are virtually unknown from a regolith point of view. It was felt necessary to produce a regolith map of the whole continent, so that knowledge could be factually based and not extrapolated from a few well-known areas. Any interpretations of the regolith of the continent as a whole need to be based, so far possible, on an unbiassed record of the distribution of the regolith in all parts of the continent. With such an overview, detailed studies can be seen in context. The regolith work aims to follow the classic survey principle of working from the whole In the words of Dr Johnson "Particulars are not to to the part. be examined till the whole has been surveyed." We may not always know what we are mapping, but we hope to take advantage of Lapworth's dictum: "Map it, and it will all come out right."

Regolith mapping

There is no easy way to map regolith. There is not even an easy way to map soils, which are only the surface of the regolith and ignore the wealth of regolith detail at depth.

Soil maps for agricultural purposes can only be made on large scales: about 1:50 000 is the smallest effective scale in most areas. Soil maps of larger areas at smaller scales require abstraction, and the mapping of surrogate units (such as "landscape" units), which have some relationship to the dominant soils.

The regolith is not only concerned with the soil, but also the tens of metres of unconsolidated deposits or weathered rock that may underlie the soil. This varies across the earth's surface at least as much as the surface soil, but also varies in depth, water-holding capacity, geochemical and geophysical variation, and the number of layers that comprise the regolith profile. The only way to map it is through regolith terrain units.

Regolith terrain units classification

Regolith terrain units are areas of land which have many details of the landscape and regolith in common, and differ from other The regular sand dunes of the Simpson Desert are areas. an obvious unit. Ιf some detailed knowledge of one dune available, it can be extrapolated to other dunes with confidence. Young lava flows make another clear unit. The Channel Country might be another. Not all regolith terrain units are that easy to delineate, and there are technical works on the methodology of producing such maps (Mitchell, 1973; Ollier, 1977; Cooke and Doornkamp, 1974). Such maps often serve as surrogate for many other purposes, including military travel maps, base maps for highway engineering, agricultural development, or planning. town They should also be useful for mineral exploration.

But although there are textbooks on the technique of terrain classification, and many examples can be cited, the method is not yet routine. It is itself a research area, and to some extent the maps will vary with the individual researcher, as well as

with the level of data available. Individual authors have made a brief statement of their methods, and individual "cards" of data have the initials of the worker who derived them.

Several maps of landscape units of Australia are already existence. The CSIRO Soils Atlas of Australia is such a map. The continent is mapped at 1:2 000 000, and the units depicted are labelled on the map with alphanumeric codes such as Legend 1 on the map shows that this is "Hard acidic yellow mottled soils: unbleached Az horizon..." This unit is a subset of "hard setting loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy3)" which is in turn a subset of "III Soils with contrasting (duplex) texture profiles (D)." However, the soil unit number, such as Tal, can be looked up in Legend 2, in an accompanying booklet, where it is found that the unit is a landscape unit. Our example, Tal, is simply described as "Mountainous." (This unit is roughly equivalent to Unit 52, Beech on the BMR Hamilton Regolith Terrain map). Other units are Gl, roughly equivalent to our Unit 33, Eccles, which is "Friable loamy soils of various kinds" and "stony rises ... with dark shallow porous soils..." and D4, equivalent to Unit 20, Grampian, is "Coherent sandy soils", and "Hilly to mountainous: rock outcrops and shallow grey-brown sandy soil."

The emphasis on surface features made the selection of units for the Soils Atlas different from those that were considered desirable for the BMR Map. The CSIRO Division of Land Research (later Land Use Research, and Water and Land Resources) produced an excellent series of terrain classification maps, but the cover of Australia was incomplete and scattered.

The most complete map of Australian landforms is the map of Jennings and Mabbutt (1986). This is at a scale of only 1:20 000 000, so it cannot convey enough detail for regolith purposes. The individual units are described in just a couple of lines, such as:-

69.West Victorian Plains - plains mainly on basalt lavas with many volcanic forms and lakes: partly on weak sedimentary rocks.

118. Riverine Plain - alluvial plain.

Other examples of Terrain Classification maps include those produced by the Soil Conservation of Victoria, and the Land Conservation of Victoria. In South Australia a ten volume report on Environmental Regions of South Australia was produced by CSIRO. In Western Australia the Vegetation Survey (e.g. Beard, 1974), while not itself a terrain classification, has many boundaries that are equivalent to those of landscape units. There are many other similar maps. All these sources were utilised in devising the Regolith Terrains Map of Australia, but because of their inconsistent keys none of them could be adopted in its entirety.

felt that a terrain classification map at a suitable scale would be the best base for a regional description It would also serve as the spatial regolith in Australia. geographic basis for a data base of regolith information. data base could make provision for data which are available today, and that which will become available in the future. much information available already on the regolith in Australia, but there is no systematic way of integrating it into a regional scene. In fact there is probably a need for two kinds of both made on the same principles of maps, Terrain One is for all Australia, so that the data base Classification. is nation-wide. There are obvious advantages in covering the whole country, but the units may be too coarse to be useful in a practical way, and so there is a need for another kind of map on a larger scale, so that more detail can be shown. It was thought that 1:1 000 000 might be a useful scale.

Remote sensing imagery and other sources of data

Another source of data for the compilation of a regolith terrain map is remote sensing imagery, whether derived from satellite or plane. present there is a super-abundance of images, little information on the meaning and reliability of all information they contain. At the BMR we devised a technique for use with imagery. The image is first obtained, together with any data on what the signals are supposed to The major features are checked on the ground, and a estimate made of the degree of match between image units actual regolith units. Then, in hindsight, knowing what the

ground truth really is, a better interpretation is made. This too will be imperfect, but better than the first effort, and the degree of fit can agin be estimated. It is hoped that repeated quantification of ground-truth will lead to two results - better interpretation of images, and better understanding of the regolith. It must be remembered that most imagery systems are only looking at the top surface of the ground or its vegetation cover. But there are geophysical image systems that can potentially penetrate to greater depths.

Another very valuable source of information for regolith mapping is the small scale imagery obtained from satellites. LANDSAT is the best known of these, but BMR has incomplete cover. The major disadvantage, however, is the large number of scenes needed to cover the whole country, and there were insufficient people on the project to work on this scale. Much coarser images are available from the US National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), TIROS and Nimbus 7 satellites. The senors on board these two spacecraft are the 5 channel "advanced very high resolution radiometer" (AVHRR), and the 6 channel "coastal zone colour scanner" (CZCS). The ground resolution of these two devices is 1100 and 825 m respectively. Although the CZCS instrument is essentially an oceanographic instrument, 4 of the 6 channels are extrememly useful for onshore applications. copy images at this small scale are especially helpful defining major units. Occasionally the imagery would reveal totally new features of regolith distribution.

At the present time the BMR has produced three regolith maps:

- 1. Regolith Terrain Map of Australia at 1:5 000 000.
- 2. Regolith Terrain Map of Kalgoorlie at 1:1 000 000.
- 3. Regolith Terrain Map of Hamilton at 1:1 000 000.

Regolith Terrain map of Australia

The Regolith Terrain Map of Australia was produced by a wide range of techniques as described above, by several people.

G.Taylor worked in the early stages of the project, and defined several areas using CZCS imagery supplimented by other sources of information such as "Environments of South Australia", the Atlas of Australian Soils, and topographic and geological maps.

- M.A. Craig continued the database preparation for much of southeastern Australia working from Taylor's earlier defined areas and used similar information sources but in addition made use of a wide variety of published articles relating to the various areas defined. The database descriptions bear the initials of the contributors, with the main contributor listed first.
- D.L. Gibson produced the map of Queensland, the northern part of Western Australia, and much of central and South Australia. He was mainly responsible for setting up the data base.
- G. D'Addario produced the map of Western Australia and the Northern Territory, delineating regions by their prevailing

landform type. He worked jointly with D. Gibson on the Canning Basin and with G. Taylor on the Officer Basin. A variety of geological, geographical and geomorphological parameters were used in various combinations to define the units within geotectonic (structural) units. Main parameters were: relative relief; rock type; soils; depositional, erosional and complex (erosion and deposition) areas. Drainage and vegetation were used occasionally. Little use was made of satellite imagery, which was not available at the time except for part of the Northern Territory.

- R.A. Chan worked on early stages of the Map. With Gibson and Taylor she produced a trial 1:2 500 000 compilation of physiographic/regolith units based on 1:1 000 000 topographic maps. With G. Taylor, R. Moore and the CSIRO Division of Water and Land Resources she helped in the rectification and production of Nimbus CZCS imagery.
- C.D. Ollier produced the map of Tasmania. More use was made of topographic maps in this area than is usual, together with geological information, as Quaternary glaciation has removed regolith over large areas of the State.

With the exception of G. Taylor, the people who made the map also prepared the data base information. Their initials are on each description. In future, if the data base continues to be upgraded and corrected, further names can be added.

The map shows the location and boundaries of the reolgith terrain units; details are given in the descriptions that follow. The names of units are based on a local place name: this may reflect a major feature or location, but often when the most suitable name has already been used or where no suitable place name is available, little-known names have been used.

STRUCTURE OF THE REGOLITH DATABASE

The regolith database was set up by D. Gibson using the KNOWLEDGEMAN database package on a Sirius II microcomputer with a peripheral hard-disk. The database consists of 392 records, corresponding to the 392 named units used on the Regolith map and described in this report. Each record consists of 19 fields, all of which are string in type, and are detailed in the following table.

FIELD NAME	LENGTH	INFORMATION CONTAINED
NAME	65	Name of unit
NUMBER	10	Number of the unit
STYLE	65	
BASICFOR	145	
SOIL	385	Types of soils in unit
NORTHCOT	65	Soils association, from 'Atlas of
		Australian Soils'
DESCRIPT	545	Description of unit
REGOLITH	705	Description of regolith of unit
GEOLOGY	705	Description of geology of unit

ELEVATIO	145	Elevation range of unit, in metres
RELIEF	145	Relative relief; very low is <2m;
		low 2 - 10m; moderate 10-100m; high
		100 - 500m; very high >500m.
MINORLAN	305	Minor landforms within unit
BOUNDARI	685	Boundaries of unit
REFERENC	225	References to unit
TOPOMAPS	65	Topographic maps showing unit
GEOLMAPS	145	Geological maps showing unit
OTHERSOU	225	Other sources of information about
		unit
COMMENTS	225	Additional comments, including
		economic importance
COMPILER	30	Compilers initials and date of
		compilation

The total size of the data base is about 1.92 MB, each record being 4893 bytes long. The implemented database is wasteful of disk storage space, however the use of a hard-disk meant that this was not of great concern, and the time available did not allow a more efficient database to be designed.

Copies of the database on 13 cm. Floppy disks can be supplied to interested workers by writing to:

The Chief,

Division of Continental Geology,

BMR Box 378,

CANBERRA.

The database can be supplied on either Sirius or IBM PC floppy disks and in three different formats:-

- 1. As KNOWLEDGEMAN data files, with the original database split into separate files to suit the capacity of the floppy disks
- 2. As ASCII format files. Each field of a record is enclosed in quotes, with a CR/LF at the end of each field and an additional CR/LF between records. Empty fields contain "***" in case a database program into which the data is being imported does not recognize blank lines. Each file contains 50 records, with the eighth file containing 42 records to complete the 392 records.
- 3. As Wordstar text files in the format used for the printouts in this report. Again, the data is split into seven files of 50 units and one of 42 to make editing simpler.

TORRES

NUMBER:

1

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Low hilly islands

SOILS:

Shallow stony loams (Um2), bleached sands (Uc2.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Fu28, Ca41

DESCRIPTION:

Low hilly islands with fringing coastal swamps

REGOLITH:

Colluvial and residual sands, coastal deposits; minor

ferruginous duricrust on Moa and Mount Adolphus Islands

GEOLOGY:

Carboniferous volcanics

ELEVATION:

0 - 200

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal swamps, sand cays

BOUNDARIES:

Coastline

REFERENCES:

Willmott & others (1973), Smart & others (1980)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Torres Strait 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Torres Strait - Boigu - Daru 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

Minor alluvial gold has been mined at Horn Island

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

BAMAGA

NUMBER:

2

STYLE:

Erosional Tableland

BASIC FORM:

Red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mz34

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected laterite plateau

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust, minor bauxite; minor coastal deposits. At least two levels of ferruginous duricrust recognised by Willmott & Powell (1977a). In many places the duricrust consists of a conglomerate of ferruginised sandstone blocks set in a honeycombed ferruginous matrix, and is up to 12m thick

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstone of the Carpentaria Basin, overlying

Carboniferous volcanics. Overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

0 - 140

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal swamps, hills

BOUNDARIES:

Southern boundary is the limit of Duricrust outcrop

REFERENCES:

Willmott & Powell (1977a)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Torres strait - Boigu - Daru 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: JARDINE

NUMBER: 3

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Leached sands (Uc2.2), red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ca43, Mw56

DESCRIPTION: Low lying plain with large alluvial tracts, coastal swamps,

and low rises

REGOLITH: Alluvium, coastal sediments (mainly muds, some aeolian

sand), residual sand

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sandstone of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 0 - ?40

RELIEF: low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Minor aeolian dunefields along coast

BOUNDARIES: Units to the north and south are higher in elevation

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Willmott & Powell (1977a), Powell &

Smart (1977), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Torres Strait 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Torres Strait - Boigu - Daru, Orford Bay 1:250

000; Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: ESCAPE

NUMBER: 4

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Mottled yellow earths (Gn2.64)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mt9

DESCRIPTION: Sand-covered plain

REGOLITH: Ferruginous duricrust, minor bauxite, residual sand

GEOLOGY: Jurassic sandstones of the Carpentaria Basin

ELEVATION: 0 - 60 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Coastal plains and sand dunes BOUNDARIES: Edge of area of duricrust

REFERENCES: Powell & Smart (1977), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m; Orford Bay 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

RICHARDSON

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Tableland

SOILS:

Yellow earths (Gn2.2), mottled yellow earths (Gn2.64)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mt9. Mr21

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected tableland, with rounded sandy hills and deeply

incised valleys

REGOLITH:

Minor ferruginous duricrust, minor coastal aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstone of the Carpentaria Basin

ELEVATION:

0 - 150

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Aeolian dunefields along coast

BOUNDARIES:

Higher than units to the east and north, different geology,

soils and topography to units to the west

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Powell & Smart (1977), Doutch &

others (1973), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Orford Bay, Cape Weymouth, Jardine River 1:250 000;

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

SHELBURNE

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Dunefield Siliceous sands (Uc1.21)

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Area of northwest-trending sand dunes, often with elongated

parabolic form

REGOLITH:

Aeolian siliceous sand; minor coastal muds

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic deposits

ELEVATION:

0 - 100Moderate

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Vegetated sand plains

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of dunefield

REFERENCES:

Willmott & Powell (1977b), Smart & others (1980), Willmott

& others (1973), Doutch & others (1973), Powell & Smart

(1977), Trail & others (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Orford Bay, Cape Weymouth 1:250 000; Carpentaria & Karumba

Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

Sand is more than 99.8% silica, and is a resource for

glassmaking

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

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NUMBER:

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional

Lowland

SOILS:

Mottled yellow earths (Gn2.64), leached sands ((Uc2.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Mt9, Ca43, JK35

Low undulating country

REGOLITH:

Residual and colluvial sand, minor coastal sediments

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstone of the Carpentaria Basin, Palaeozoic

volcanics

ELEVATION:

0 - 80

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low

Coastal swamps

BOUNDARIES:

Scarps up to units to the north, west and south; distinguished from the Archer unit by the lack of Tertiary

sediments in the latter

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Powell & Smart (1977), Doutch &

others (1973)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Orford Bay, Cape Weymouth 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

WEIPA

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Erosional Plateau

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mu17, Mw52, Mr21

DESCRIPTION:

Low plateau or plain

REGOLITH:

Bauxite, ferruginous duricrust, minor coastal deposits, overlying deeply weathered Tertiary clayey sands of the

Bulimba Formation

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

0 - 140

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal swamps, alluvial tracts, small circular depressions

with claypans

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of bauxite

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Smart (1977a), Doutch & others

(1973), Day & others (1983), Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Torres Strait - Boigu - Daru, Jardine River, Weipa, Aurukun

1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

Bauxite mined at Weipa, minor occurrences of heavy mineral

sands along coast

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: MERLUNA

NUMBER:

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Mottled yellow earths (Gn2.61), red earths (Gn2.14),

yellow-brown friable earths (Gn3.51)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MO4, MW1, Mw52

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plain with low hills and scarps

REGOLITH: Outliers of weathered Tertiary clayey sandstone (Bulimba

Formation) capped by ferruginous duricrust. Alluvium along

rivers

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous mudstone of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 10 - 180
RELIEF: 1ow - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low plateaux

BOUNDARIES: From geology and soils information

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983), Doutch & others

(1973)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ebagoola, Coen, Aurukun, Cape Weymouth, Weipa 1:250 000;

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: WENLOCK NUMBER: 10

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Tableland

SOILS: Red earths, sands, yellow earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mw52, JK37

DESCRIPTION: Dissected tableland

REGOLITH: Residual sand, deeply weathered Mesozoic rocks

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, some

Palaeozoic granite, and minor Precambrian metamorphics

ELEVATION: 100 - 350
RELIEF: Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of dissected sandstones at the margin of the

Carpentaria Basin. Eastern boundary is the edge of low-

lying units to the east

REFERENCES: Willmott & Powell (1977), Whitaker & Gibson (1977a)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cape Weymouth, Coen 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba

Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils COMMENTS: Minor alluvial gold in area

NAME: ARCHER NUMBER: 11

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Intermontane basin

SOILS: Leached sands (Uc2.21), grey leached earths (Gn2.94)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ca42, MT19, 20

DESCRIPTION: Flat-floored intermontane basin, probably a result of

faulting and pedimentation

REGOLITH: Alluvium and residual sand overlie deeply weathered

Tertiary clayey sandstone (Falloch and Yam Creek beds).

Some ferruginous duricrust

GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics intruded by Palaeozoic granites,

overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 70 - 200 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Scarps up to higher country surrounding the basin

REFERENCES: Whitaker & Gibson (1977a), Smart & others (1980), Day &

others (1983), Willmott & others (1973), Doutch & others

(1973), Willmott & Powell (1977b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m; Coen, Cape Weymouth

1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS: Minor alluvial tin COMPILER: DLG. Nov 1985

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NAME: PASCOE
NUMBER: 12
STYLE: Erosion

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Tableland

SOILS: Shallow stony sands (Uc4.21), grey leached earths (Gn2.94)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: JK35, MT21

DESCRIPTION: Dissected area of moderate relief REGOLITH: Minor only (residual sand etc)

GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics and Palaeozoic volcanics intruded

by Palaeozoic granites

ELEVATION: ?200 - ?400
RELIEF: Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS: 30 km diameter plateau at about 200 m elevation at the head

of the Pascoe River

BOUNDARIES: Higher than the Archer and Olive units to the north and

south, lower and less rugged than the McIlwraith unit to the east, and different geology to the Wenlock unit to the

west

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Coen, Cape Weymouth 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba

Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

NAME: McILWRAITH

NUMBER: 13

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Mountain ranges

SOILS: Friable earths (Gn3.54, Gn3.71), shallow stony sands

(Uc4.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MX1, WM1, JK35, Mj12

DESCRIPTION: Rugged mountains, high incised plateaux REGOLITH: Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics intruded by Palaeozoic granites

ELEVATION: 0 - 800

RELIEF: moderate - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Scarps to lower surrounding units

REFERENCES: Willmott & Powell (1977b), Whitaker & Gibson (1977a)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ebagoola, Coen, Cape Weymouth 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: STEWART NUMBER: 14

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Duplex soils (Dy3.42, Dy3.41), grey friable earths (Gn3.04)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ub108, NV2, MF11

DESCRIPTION: Low-lying broad alluvial plain

REGOLITH: Weathered Tertiary clayey sands (Lilyvale beds), overlain

by alluvium and residuaL sand

GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 0 - 100 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Coastal swamps and dunefield at the mouth of the Lockhart

River, low rises of residual sand

BOUNDARIES: Scarps to surrounding higher country. Southern boundary

with Jack unit is southern edge of major alluvial tract

REFERENCES: Whitaker & Gibson (1977a,b), Smart & others (1980)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cape Weymouth, Coen, Ebagoola 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

NAME: MILINGIMBI

NUMBER: 15

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Plains with steep ridges, coastal plains, narrow valleys SOILS: Yellow earthly sands, ironstone gravels, saline clays

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AC13,14, In1, JW1, My2

DESCRIPTION: Gently sloping plains and flat plateaus with low to steep

ridges, narrow valleys; swampy plains, gentle sloping low stony hillocks at margins of swamps; low lying coastal

plains with some sand dunes

REGOLITH: Sloping plains with low to steep laterite ridges, laterite

(bauxite in places) boulders and lateritic boulders and

gravels

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sediments, some dolerite dykes (MacArthur

Basin), Cambrian sediments (Arafura Basin)

ELEVATION: Average up to 100 m

RELIEF: 20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Plains broken by hills, ridges and and mesas mainly on

sandstones, siltstones or granites, narrow stream valleys,

minor calcareous sands and sili

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by rocky hills, dissected plateaus, ranges

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m, Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m,

1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 8 Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: MAINORU NUMBER: 16

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Rocky hills and dissected plateaus, cliffs and gorges, bare

rocks

SOILS: Shallow sands, gravelly and stony sands

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BA7-9, JJ28,31, Mb15

DESCRIPTION: Rough rocky hills and dissected plateaus developed on

greywacke, sandstones and conglomerate; some narrow

valleys, low to steep hills, ridges and cuestas

REGOLITH: Bare rocks

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sediments, some dolerite dykes (McArthur Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 100-200 m

RELIEF: 200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Small sandy plains, narrow valleys

BOUNDARIES: Plains with steep hills, coastal plains

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic Geology of the NT

1:2.5 m; 1:250 000 geological maps

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 8 Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: BING BONG

NUMBER: 1'

STYLE: Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: Broad rises, undulating uplands, shallow valleys

SOILS: shallow leached sands, yellow earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Cd23,24,26, AC13,15, Mb16

DESCRIPTION: Gently undulating sandy lateritic country of broad low

rises and shallow valleys, broad flat to gently undulating

uplands, stony hills and narrow drainage ways

REGOLITH: Low to steep lateritic ridges, laterite boulders; block

laterite outcrops specially on dissected slopes; shallow leached sands overlying block laterite or ironstone gravel

at depth of 45-90 cm

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sediments of the MacArthur Basin

ELEVATION: 0 - 100 RELIEF: 20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Flood plains, occasional low dunes near the coast

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by hills and ridges

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief map of Australia 1:5m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 and 1:5m; various 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: EDWARD NUMBER: 18

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Alluvialplain

SOILS: Grey friable earths (Gn3), grey leached earths (Gn2.9),

duplex soils (Dy3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MF9, TM1, MT17

DESCRIPTION: Low lying alluvial fan of Edward and Coleman Rivers

REGOLITH: Alluvium, overlies weathered Tertiary clayey sands (Wyaaba

beds, Bulimba Formation) - ferruginous duricrust may be

present

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 10 - 80 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Areas of residual sand similar to that in the Holroyd unit

BOUNDARIES: Limit of the fan of the Edward and Coleman Rivers

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Grimes & Doutch (1978), Galloway &

others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Holroyd, Rutland Plains 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba

Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

NAME: HOLROYD NUMBER: 19

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Yellow earths (Gn2.2), grey leached sands (Uc2.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mr11, MT12, Ms20
DESCRIPTION: Residual sand plain

REGOLITH: Residual sand overlying ferruginous duricrust on weathered

Tertiary clayey sands of the Wyaaba beds, Bulimba Formation; alluvium along river tracts, especially in north Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 10 - 200 RELIEF: Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Alluvial tracts along major rivers

BOUNDARIES: Limit of duricrust

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983), Galloway &

others (1970), Twidale (1964, 1966b), Perry & others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Holroyd, Rutland Plains, Hann River, Walsh, Red River

1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

11, 16, 26

COMMENTS:

GEOLOGY:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: BULIMBA NUMBER: 20

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Yellow earths (Gn2.2), grey leached earths (Gn2.94)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mr11, MT12

DESCRIPTION: Plain, partly covered with residual sand

REGOLITH: Residual sand, overlying weathered Tertiary clayey sands

(Bulimba Formation); some remnants of ferruginous duricrust

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 80 - 200

RELIEF: Moderate - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Eastern boundary is the edge of the Carpentaria Basin.

Western boundary with Holroyd unit is based on the boundary between older and younger ferruginous duricrust, and

presence of Tertiary Wyaaba beds in the latter

REFERENCES: Day & others (1983), Smart & others (1980), Galloway &

others (1980)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hann River, Walsh 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba Basins

1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

NAME: COLEMAN NUMBER: 21

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plateau

SOILS: Leached sands (Uc2.1, 2.2), mottled yellow leached earths

(Gn2.74)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ca41, Cd34, Mb22,23,24

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plateau, with large flat areas veneered with

residual sand; some strike ridges

REGOLITH: Residual sand, overlying ferruginous duricrust at times GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics intruded by Palaeozoic granite

ELEVATION: 100 - 400
RELIEF: Moderate - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Eastern boundary is a scarp down to the Jack unit, western

boundary is the edge of the Carpentaria Basin. Northern boundary is partly the edge of the intermontane basin of

the Archer unit, and mountains of the McIlwraith unit

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Whitaker & Gibson (1977a,b),

Galloway & others (1970), Willmott & others (1973), Doutch

& others (1973)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ebagoola, Hann River 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba

Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 26

COMMENTS: Alluvial gold worked early this century

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: JACK NUMBER: 22

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.1), mottled yellow leached earths (Gn2.7),

leached sands (Uc2.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mw50, Mb19, Ca35,36,38

DESCRIPTION: Low-lying residual sand plain

REGOLITH: Residual sand, overlying ferruginous duricrust developed in

weathered Tertiary clayey sandstone (Lilyvale beds); older Tertiary gravel (Fairview Gravel) which is in part silcreted, is preserved in a low tableland northwest of

Laura

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Laura Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION: 0 - 200

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS: Alluvial tracts, low mesas and hills

BOUNDARIES: Scarp up to higher ground of the Coleman and Deighton units

in the west and south. Stewart and Normanby units to the

north are depositional

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983), Galloway &

others (1970), Whitaker & Gibson (1977b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Mitchell River, Cooktown 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ebagoola, Hann River, Cape Melville, Cooktown 1:250 000;

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

NAME: CHARLOTTE

NUMBER: 23

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Coastal plain

SOILS: Grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.28); grey plastic clays (Uf6)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Io1, II12, JB1

DESCRIPTION: Coastal plain, with mudflats, mangrove swamps, coastal

alluvium and beach ridges.

REGOLITH: Sediment of coastal deposits, overlying weathered clayey

sand of the Tertiary Lilyvale beds

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Laura Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION: 0 - 10 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of coastal sediments

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Whitaker & Gibson (1977a,b),

Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Coen, Ebagoola, Cape Melville 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: NORMANBY

NUMBER: 24

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Alluvialplain

SOILS: Grey leached earths (Gn2.94), yellow earths (Gn2.2), hard-

setting duplex soils (Dy3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MT15,16, TM2, MR5, Va88

DESCRIPTION: Low-lying alluvial floodout plain

REGOLITH: Alluvium, minor residual sand; overlies weathered clayey

sand of the Tertiary Lilyvale beds

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Laura Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 10 - 70 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Residual sand plain

BOUNDARIES: Limit of alluvium of major rivers draining into Princess

Charlotte Bay

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), de Keyser & Lucas (1968), Willmott &

others (1973), Doutch & others (1973), Galloway & others

(1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ebagoola, Cape Melville, Cooktown 1:250 000; Carpentaria

and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

DEIGHTON

NUMBER:

25

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Tableland

Leached sand (Uc2.2)

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ca35

DESCRIPTION:

Rugged dissected tableland

REGOLITH:

Weathered Tertiary clayey sand (Lilyvale beds) in valleys. Day & others (1983) show undifferentiated duricrust over

the western part of the area

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstone and conglomerate of the Laura Basin; inliers of Palaeozoic rock in valley floors; Tertiary

sediments in valleys

ELEVATION:

150 - 500

RELIEF:

High

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES: Limit of dissected tablelands in sandstones of Laura Basin Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983), De Keyser &

Lucas (1968), Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Cooktown, Cape Melville 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Cooktown, Cape Melville 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba

Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

COOKTOWN

NUMBER:

26

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Range Various

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Many

Dissected coastal range, with broad alluvial valleys

REGOLITH:

Weathered Tertiary clayey sands in valleys; coastal muds

and aeolian sands

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments and low grade metamorphics of the Hodgkinson Basin, intruded by Permian granite. Outliers of sandstones of the Laura Basin. Tertiary sediments in valleys, minor Cainozoic basalt

0 - 500

RELIEF:

ELEVATION:

High

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal mudflats, dunefields

BOUNDARIES:

Dissected tableland (Deighton unit) to the west

REFERENCES:

Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Hodgkinson and Laura Basins 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

FLATTERY

NUMBER:

27

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Dunefield

SOILS:

Siliceous sands (Uc1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

I: B36

DESCRIPTION:

Dunefield of northwest-trending sand dunes

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments of the Hodgkinson Basin overlain by

Cainozoic sand

ELEVATION:

0 - 100

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal plains

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of aeolian sand

REFERENCES:

Connah (1966), Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Cooktown, Cape Melville 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

Silica sand mined in this area

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

MALLAPUNYAH

NUMBER:

28

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills and ridges, narrow valleys, dissected plateaux

SOILS:

Shallow sands and sandy loams, commonly gravelly and stony, hard setting duplex soils (Dr2.42), yellow earths (Gn2.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

JJ34,35, BA14, Mt6, JK15,16,17, Qd9, Ms16,17

DESCRIPTION:

Generally hilly country with ridges, dunes, cuestas and low plateaux, gentle lower slopes, narrow valleys, low rough hills and ridges with some rocky steep slopes and some flat to gently sloping areas derived largely from dolomitic rock; dissected sandstone plateaux of hilly relief; bare rocks

REGOLITH:

Lateritic remnants, sand matrix between and around ironstone gravels; remnants of flat to gently undulating

sandy laterite country, block laterite outcrop in places Proterozoic sandstone, siltstone, granite, acid and basic

GEOLOGY:

volcanics, Cambro-Ordovician sediments, Cretaceous

sediments

ELEVATION:

Average 100 - 350

RELIEF:

100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Undulating terrain developed on lateritised sediments, gently sloping valley plains with levees, depressions,

lagoons and flat areas

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by sloping plains and coastal plains

REFERENCES:
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Stewart (1954), Day & others (1983)

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Relief map of Australia 1:5m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Various 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5 and 1:5m; Cainozoic of

the NT 1:2.5m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 3, Australia Relief and

Landforms 1:5m; Sheet 8, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: TOOWOOMBA

NUMBER: 29 STYLE: Basalt BASIC FORM: Plateau

Dark self-mulching clays (Ug5.1), duplex soils (Dr2.13), SOILS:

red friable earths (Gn3.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Kb units, Kd units, Oa6, Mp4

DESCRIPTION: Dissected plateau, with steep scarp at eastern boundary Ferruginous duricrust and silcrete on un-named Tertiary REGOLITH: sediments beneath the volcanics. Also some duricrust

developed on the volcanics

GEOLOGY: Tertiary volcanics

350? - 1140 ELEVATION:

RELIEF: Moderate - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Area of volcanics

Day & others (1983), Cranfield & others (1976) REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ipswich, Gympie 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, Landsat and CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

REGOLITH:

COMPILER: DLG, GT, Nov 1985

NAME: WESTMORELAND

NUMBER: 30

STYLE: Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: Sloping plains

Duplex soils (Dy3.41), sands (Uc5.22), mottled yellow SOILS:

earths (Gn2.62), red earths (Gn2.12), grey earths, saline

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Tb135, AC19, MP1, My92, IO1

DESCRIPTION: Gently sloping plains traversed by numerous creeks; very

> gently undulating plains with broad shallow drainage lines Alluvium in some areas, and shallow leached residual sand in others, overlying ferruginous duricrust on weathered

> Tertiary clayey sands (Floraville Formation) and older

rocks

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sediments of the McArthur Basin, and Mesozoic

sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by Cainozoic

units

10 - 100 **ELEVATION:** RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Pediments cut into Mesozoic rocks along the southwest

margin, coastal plains and dunes

BOUNDARIES: Higher erosional units to the southwest and northwest,

coastal deposits of the Karumba unit to the northeast,

depositional Amraynald unit to the southeast

REFERENCES: Stewart (1954), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief map of Australia 1:5m

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m; Australia 1:2.5 and GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:5m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5m; various 1:250 000

CSIRO Land Research Series No 3, Australian Relief and OTHER SOURCES:

Landforms 1:5m. Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, GWD'A, Dec 1985

KARUMBA

NUMBER:

31

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal plain

SOILS:

Plastic grey clays (Uf6), grey self-mulching clays (Ug5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Coastal plain, with extensive mudflats; mangrove swamps and

beach ridges subordinate

REGOLITH:

Intertidal and supratidal mud, sand in beach ridges, coastal alluvium. Overlies a variety of weathered Tertiary

and Mesozoic rocks

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

0 - 10

RELIEF:

low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of coastal sediments

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Smart (1976, 1977b), Grimes (1974), Simpson & Doutch (1977), Doutch & others (1970, 72, 73), Whitehouse (1940b, 63), Valentin (1961), Twidale (1956b, 64,

66b), Galloway & others (1970), Perry & others (1

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Mitchell River, Normanton 1:1m Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11, 16, 26

COMMENTS:

Minor occurrences of heavy mineral sands

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

MORNINGTON

NUMBER:

32

STYLE:

Erosional Low islands

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Mottled yellow leached earths (Gn2.74)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Low island plateaux

REGOLITH:

Residual sand and Tertiary ferruginous duricrust overlying weathered Tertiary clayey sand of the Floraville Formation.

Minor coastal sediments

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

0 - 30

RELIEF:

Low (moderate at margins) Coastal plains and mudflats

BOUNDARIES:

All major islands in the Wellesley and South Wellesley

REFERENCES:

Grimes (1974), Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mornington, Cape van Dieman 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

Minor heavy minerals in coastal sand

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

MITCHELL

NUMBER:

33

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Alluvialplain

SOILS:

Grey earths (Gn2.9), duplex soils (Dy2.3), red earths

(Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Si14, MT10, TM1, Mw40

DESCRIPTION:

Low lying, low gradient, alluvial outwash fan of Mitchell

REGOLITH:

Sandy alluvium overlies weathered Tertiary clayey sands of

the Wyaaba beds and Bulimba Formation

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

10 - 100

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvium of Mitchell River outwash fan

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Doutch & others (1972), Grimes &

Doutch (1978), Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Rutland Plains, Galbraith 1:250 000; Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

MULGRAVE

NUMBER:

34

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dr2.11, Dr2.21), sands (Uc4.1), loams (Um4.1) Pa2, JJ47, Pb35, LK28

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly lands with rugged quartz ridges

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, mainly along Palmer River

GEOLOGY:

Precambrian metamorphics, intruded by Palaeozoic granites

ELEVATION:

200 - 500 Moderate

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Margin of area of Precambrian metamorphics

REFERENCES:

Galloway & others (1970), Whitaker & Grimes (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Hodgkinson and Laura Basins 1:500 000 CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

OTHER SOURCES: COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: PALMER NUMBER: 35

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Hills

SOILS: Leached loamy soils (Um2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Fu 23,27,35

DESCRIPTION: High to low hilly lands

REGOLITH: Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic sediments and low grade metamorphics of the

Hodgkinson Basin, intruded by Permian granite

ELEVATION: 200 - 900
RELIEF: Low - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS: Basalt plains in the north, alluvial valley in southeast at

head of Walsh, Barren and Mitchell Rivers

BOUNDARIES: North, west and south boundaries are edge of Hodgkinson

Basin

REFERENCES: Galloway & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hodgkinson & Laura Basins 1:500 000 OTHER SOURCES: CSIRO Land Research Series No 26

COMMENTS: Alluvial gold has been mined along the Palmer River

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: DAINTREE NUMBER: 36

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Range

SOILS: Red friable earths (Gn3.12), loams (Um4.4), yellow friable

earths (Gn3.7)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mj8,10, LN1,2, Mf17

DESCRIPTION: Steep mountain range, with high hilly plateaux REGOLITH: Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic metamorphics and sediments of the Hodgkinson

Basin, intruded by Permian granites. Minor Cainozoic basalt

ELEVATION: 0 - 1350 RELIEF: Very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: From CZCS imagery and soils data

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Townsville 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hodgkinson & Laura Basins 1:500 000 OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

DOOMADGEE

NUMBER:

37

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Mottled yellow earths (Gn2.62), hard setting duplex soils

with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy3.41), red earths

(Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MP1, Tb135, My92

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to gently undulating sandy lateritic plain

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust overlies weathered Tertiary clayey

sandstone; residual sand; minor alluvium

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin at depth,

overlain by Tertiary Floraville Formation and younger units

ELEVATION:

10 - 100 m

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Pediments cut into Mesozoic rocks along southwest boundary Scarp up to higher ground to the southwest; depositional

units to the north and east

REFERENCES:

BOUNDARIES:

Grimes (1974), Smart & others (1980), Stewart (1954), Day &

others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Normanton 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Carpentaria Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Stewart (1954), Soils Atlas of Australia

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Jan 1986

NAME:

GILBERT

NUMBER:

38 Depositional

STYLE:

Alluvial fan

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.33, Dy2.33), mottled yellow earths

(Gn2.61)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Vd8, Si12,13, MO1

DESCRIPTION:

Floodout fan of the Gilbert River

REGOLITH:

Alluvium overlies weathered Tertiary clayey sands of the

Wyaaba beds and Bulimba Formation

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

10 - 140

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvium of the Gilbert River fan. A major soils

boundary which also shows on CZCS imagery is used as the

southern boundary

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Grimes & Doutch (1978), Doutch & others (1972), Galloway & others (1970), Twidale (1964,

1966b), Perry & others (1964), Simpson & Doutch (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m; Normanton, Galbraith

1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11, 16, 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME: STAATEN

NUMBER: 39

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Grey leached earths (Gn2.9), grey earths (Gn2.8)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MT10, TM1

DESCRIPTION: Abandoned outwash fan of the ancestral Etheridge, Red, and

Staaten Rivers

REGOLITH: Old alluvium overlies weathered Tertiary clayey sands of

the Wyaaba beds and Bulimba Formation

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlian by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 40 - 150 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Active alluvial tracts along major drainages, such as

Staaten River and Pelican Creek

BOUNDARIES: Limit of area of old alluvium

REFERENCES: Doutch & others (1972), Smart & others (1980), Grimes &

Doutch (1978), Galloway & others (1970), Perry & others

(1964), Twidale (1964, 1966b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Galbraith, Walsh, Normanton, Red River 1:250 000;

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

11, 16, 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: RED NUMBER: 40

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plateau

SOILS: Minimal sandy soils (Uc1,2,5), red earths (Gn2.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Bz17, Mz30

DESCRIPTION: Dissected plateau

REGOLITH: Weathered Tertiary clayey sands (Bulimba Formation) with

remnants of ferruginous duricrust capping

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 150 - 350 RELIEF: Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of main outcrops of the Bulimba Formation in the area REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Twidale (1964, 1966b), Day & others

(1983), Galloway & others (1970), Perry & others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m; Red River 1:250 000 OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

11, 16, 26

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

GEORGETOWN

NUMBER:

41

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Uplands

SOILS:

Sands (Uc4, Uc2.1), loams (Um2.1, Um4.2), duplex soils

(Dy2.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

JK19,20,21,30,31, JJ42, Fu18,20, LL8, Se4, Cd31,32

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating to hilly lands

REGOLITH:

Some areas of ferruginous duricrust, especially in the

southeast

GEOLOGY:

Precambrian metamorphics and granites, Palaeozoic volcanics

and granites of the Georgetown Inlier

ELEVATION:

200 - 860

RELIEF:

Low - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Steep ranges

BOUNDARIES:

Margins of the Georgetown Inlier

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Galloway & others (1970), Twidale

(1964, 1966b), Perry & others (1964), Fletcher & Couper

(1975), Burger (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Queensland 1:2m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11, 16, 26

COMMENTS:

Alluvial tin along east margin at Herberton - Ravenshoe,

lateritic nickel in southeast (Greenvale), north of the

Nulla unit

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

MOUNT GARNET

NUMBER:

42

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.14), duplex soils (Dy3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mw46, Ub105

DESCRIPTION:

Broad sandy plain

REGOLITH:

Residual sand overlies ferruginous duricrust; alluvium along watercourses

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic volcanics, intruded by granite

ELEVATION:

500 - 850

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Hills

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Area of residual sand Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atherton 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

Alluvial tin mined in Mt Garnet area

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

ATHERTON

NUMBER:

43

STYLE:

Volcanics

BASIC FORM:

Tableland

SOILS:

Red friable earths (Gn3.11) SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mp19,20

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly basalt plateau, with some low conical

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic Basalt

ELEVATION:

500 - 1400

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of basalt

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atherton, Innisfail 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

CAIRNS

NUMBER:

44

STYLE:

Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM:

Valley and range

SOILS:

Friable loamy soils (Um6.34), red earths (Gn2.14)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Gh1, Mw47

DESCRIPTION:

Broad alluvial valley, inland from steep narrow coastal range in the north. Coastal alluvial plains in the south.

Prominent alluvial terrace systems

REGOLITH:

Thick alluvium, coastal sediments on the plains. Regolith

minor only on the ranges

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic metamorphics intruded by Permian granite,

overlain by Cainozoic units over much of area

ELEVATION:

0 - 200 on plains; ranges reach 1000

RELIEF:

Low - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Western edge of alluvial plains

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Hodgkinson and Laura Basins 1:500 000 CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

AMRAYNALD NAME:

45 NUMBER:

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Floodplain

Grey and brown self-mulching clays (Ug5), red earths SOILS:

(Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC66, 67, 69; MM25, 26; My93

Floodpain of Gregory, Nicholson, Leichardt and Alexandra DESCRIPTION:

Rivers

REGOLITH: Recent alluvium overlies silt, clay and minor sand of the

Cainozoic Amraynald beds, which overlie weathered clayey

sand of the Tertiary Floraville Formation

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 10 - 150 Very low RELIEF:

May include an erosional area in the southeast (Perry & MINOR LANDFORMS:

others, 1964)

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by erosional units

Smart & others (1980), Perry & others (1964), Grimes & REFERENCES:

Doutch (1978), Twidale (1964), Simpson & Doutch (1977),

Twidale (1966b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land OTHER SOURCES:

Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: **ERINGA** NUMBER: 46

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected tablelands, stony plains and erosional terraces SOILS: Crusty loamy soils, brown cracking clays, red earths on

terraces and plains

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Many Nb units, My15,116, B50

DESCRIPTION: Dissected silcrete tableland and smooth mesa remnants with

steep escarpments, undulating stony footslopes, erosional

terraces, and sandy plains

REGOLITH: Silcrete capping to the tableland, some block laterite on

breakaways; calerete-capped terraces, mound spring deposits; gibber covered bahadas; aeolian and residual quartz sand; minor alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine

deposits

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments partly covered by Tertiary (Eromanga

Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 100-300 m

RELIEF: 100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Mound springs, clay pans, swamps, longitudinal dune fields,

flood plains and alluvial terraces

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by dune fields; boundaries from CZCS imagery and

soils maps

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m; Oodnadatta 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 Geological series

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover

and Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 10NE, 10SE Atlas of

Australian Soils; CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, GWD'A, MC, Jan 1985

DONORS NAME: 47 NUMBER:

Erosional STYLE: BASIC FORM: Plateau

Yellow earths (Gn2.2), loams (Um5.51), duplex soils SOILS:

(Dy2.13), grey self mulching clays (Ug5.22)

Ms19, Sc1,2, Fa22,24, CB9,10 SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION: Low dissected duricrust plateau

Remnants of old landsurfaces: the basal part a deep REGOLITH:

weathered profile is preserved in Mesozoic sandstones; duricrusted (silicified in part) valley remnants;

ferruginous duricrust

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin GEOLOGY:

10 - 140 **ELEVATION:** Low - moderate RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Small area of depositional plain BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by depositional units

Day & others (1983), Perry & others (1964), Twidale (1964, REFERENCES:

1966b), Doutch & others (1970), Smart & others (1980),

Ingram (1972)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m; Donors Hill,

Burketown, Normanton 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

11, 16

COMMENTS: Duricrusted remnants exhibit and old drainage pattern in

inverted relief

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: WONDOOLA

NUMBER: 48

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Self-mulching clays (Ug5.2, 5.3)

CC66, MM units SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: Floodplain of Flinders and Cloncurry Rivers

REGOLITH: Recent alluvium, overlying older alluvium of the Cainozoic

Wondoola beds (up to 60m thick)

Sediments of the Carpentaria and Eromanga Basins, overlain GEOLOGY:

by Cainozoic units

10 - 180 **ELEVATION:**

RELIEF: Low - very low MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Partly surrounded by erosional units. See Claraville unit

for eastern boundary, and Clonagh unit for southwestern

boundary

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Simpson & Doutch (1977), Twidale

(1964, 1966a,b), Perry & others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Carpentaria and Karumba Basins, Northern Eromanga Basin

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

BLACKBULL

NUMBER:

49

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Grey earths (Gn2.84)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Old floodout plain from higher ground to the east. Now

inactive with little erosion or deposition

REGOLITH:

Old fluvial deposits (Claraville beds), overlie weathered Tertiary clayey sands (Wyaaba beds and Bulimba Formation)

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

10 - 150

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

This unit has fewer drainage channels than the floodout

units to the south and north. Best seen on CZCS imagery

REFERENCES:

Simpson & Doutch (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

McBRIDE

NUMBER:

50

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Basalt Plain

SOILS:

Red friable earths (Gn3.12), brown friable earths (Gn3.22),

some areas of bare rock

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mo30,31, Me9

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating basalt plains, with low stony flow scarps

REGOLITH:

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soil etc)

GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic Basalt with intercalated sediments

ELEVATION:

400 - 1000 Moderate - low

RELIEF:

Volcanic cones

BOUNDARIES:

Area of basalt

REFERENCES:

Twidale (1956c, 1964, 1966b), Perry & others (1964), White (1962), Stephenson & others (1980), Stephenson & Griffin

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 11, 16

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Einasleigh 1:250 000

COMMENTS:

Sapphire, peridot and zircon present in the basalt and

associated sediments

COMPILER:

LUCY

NUMBER:

51

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Tableland

SOILS:

Yellow earths (Gn2.24), red earths (Gn2.14), duplex soils

(Dy3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mr14, Va84, Mw44,46

DESCRIPTION:

Partly dissected laterite tableland

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust overlies Tertiary sediments. Local

silicification

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic granites and sediments, overlain by Cainozoic

units

ELEVATION:

700 - 800

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of the laterite area

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), White (1962), de Keyser & Lucas (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Einasleigh 1:250 000; Burdekin - Townsville Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

BURDEKIN

NUMBER:

52

STYLE:

Erosional Uplands

BASIC FORM:

SOILS:

Many, including duplex soils, red earths, sands

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Many including Mw, Va, JK, Ca, Qa

REGOLITH:

Undulating to hilly uplands

Minor ferruginous duricrust developed on areas of Tertiary

sediment; very minor silcrete

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments, volcanics, and granites

ELEVATION:

200 - 1100 moderate

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Ranges to the east, basalt areas to the north and west, flatter areas to the west. Differentiated form Georgetown

unit to west largely by different soils

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Stewart & Perry (1953)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Burdekin - Townsville region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

2, 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

CARDWELL

NUMBER:

53

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional

SOILS:

Range

Red friable earths (Gn3.14), red earths (Gn2.14), yellow

earths (Gn2.24), yellow friable earths (Gn3,74) Mj8,10,11; Mw41,42; Mr16; Mf17,18,19

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Mountain range

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic granites and volcanics

ELEVATION:

200 - 1200

RELIEF:

Very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal flats

BOUNDARIES:

Scarp down to lowlands to the east, merges with hilly land

to the west. Western boundary from soils maps and imagery

REFERENCES:

Stewart & Perry (1953)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Townsville 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Hodgkinson & Laura Basins 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 2

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

TOWNSVILLE

NUMBER:

54

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy2, Dy3, Dd1), plastic clays (Uf6.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ui3, Va units, Si10, Jb units, HG units

DESCRIPTION:

Low lying coastal plain; includes Burdekin Delta

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, coastal sediments. Weathering profile preserved

in alluvium of Burdekin Delta

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic granites, sediments and volcanics

ELEVATION:

0 - 200 in most parts - hills up to 600

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS: Low (except for sparse hills) Steep hills and mountains

BOUNDARIES:

Scarp up to mountains to the west

REFERENCES:

Stewart & Perry (1953), Hopley (1970), Hopley & Murtha

(1975)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Townsville 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Burdekin - Townsville Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 2

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

ALROY DOWNS

NUMBER:

55

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating plains, swamps

SOILS:

Deep grey self mulching clays, red earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

II9,10, CC60,61,62, AB30

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to very gently undulating low-lying plains with widely spaced narrow drainage ways, low gravelly rises, some shallow depressions; undulating rises of red earths; some shallow gilgais on clays. Drainage partly internal into

dolines

REGOLITH:

Deep weathered residual clays from weathering of underlying

carbonates

GEOLOGY:

Cambrian sediments of the Georgina Basin

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m Less than 20 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low-lying swampy plains on low irregular limestone rises

and shallow channels; some drainage-ways with large water-

holes; scattered flat limestone.

BOUNDARIES:

Hilly country to the west, sloping plains to the north and

NE, hills and ridges to the E

REFERENCES:

Stewart (1954), Grimes (1974), Smart & others (1980)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m

;1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

Sheets 7, 8, 10NE Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery,

CSIRO Land Research Series No 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, DLG, Jan 1986

NAME:

UNDILLA

NUMBER:

56

STYLE:

Erosional Tableland

BASIC FORM:

Duplex soils (Dr2.13), loamy soils (Um1.3, Um6.22)

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

0a13, Fy5, Ge2

DESCRIPTION:

Moderately to strongly undulating lands

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Cambrian carbonates of the Georgina Basin, with outliers of

Mesozoic sandstone of the Carpentaria Basin

ELEVATION:

180 - 350

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Barkly unit with black soil plains to the southwest, edge of the Georgina Basin to the north and east, and lateritised Mesozoic rocks (Split Rock unit) to the south

REFERENCES:

Stewart (1954)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Camooweal 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME: NUMBER: ISA 57

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Uplands

SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Many

Fx1, Bz17,18,19, Fz25, Qa20

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected hilly country, with numerous strike ridges and

fault scarps. General summit concordance

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust and silcrete in an area northwest of

GEOLOGY:

Precambrian metamorphics and granites

ELEVATION:

100 - 600

RELIEF:

Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Narrow dissected plateau trends north from Mt Isa

BOUNDARIES:

Margin of the Mt Isa Block

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Stewart (1954), Twidale (1964,

1966b), Day & others (1983), Perry & others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Queensland 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 3, 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

KAMILEROI

NUMBER:

58

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional

Plain

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12), grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My90,91, CC67

DESCRIPTION:

Pediments cut into Mesozoic rocks, with narrow floodplains

and broader floodout sheets

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, residual sand

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin

ELEVATION:

60 - 120

RELIEF:

low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Largely erosional area along southwest margin of the

Carpentaria Basin, with outcrop of Mesozoic sediments

REFERENCES:

Smart & Others (1980), Twidale (1964, 1966b), Perry &

others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MILLUNGERA

NUMBER:

59

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Yellow sands (Uc5.22), grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AC20, CC73

DESCRIPTION:

Sandy outwash plain of the Saxby River which has been

modified by aeolian action

REGOLITH:

Thin veneer of sandy alluvium modified by wind action. Inliers of fine alluvium of the Quaternary Wondoola beds

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

15 - 180

RELIEF:

Very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low rises of Mesozoic sediments

BOUNDARIES:

Area of aeolian-modified sandy alluvium

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1970), Grimes & Doutch (1978), Grimes (1973), Doutch & others (1970), Perry & others (1964),

Twidale (1964, 1966b), Simpson & Doutch (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Northern Eromanga, Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m

CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

CLARAVILLE

NUMBER:

60

STYLE:

Depositional Floodout plain

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Grey earths (Gn2.8), mottled yellow earths (Gn2.63), sands

(Uc5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

QM1, AC20,21, MV1

DESCRIPTION:

Old floodout plain, formed by fans from higher ground to

REGOLITH:

Old fluvial deposits (Claraville beds)

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

10 - 300

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

For northern boundary, see Blackbull unit. Units to the

east are erosional, Wondoola unit to the west is a 'black

soil' floodplain

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Grimes & Doutch (1978), Simpson & Doutch (1977), Twidale (1964, 1966b), Perry & others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins, Northern Eromanga Basin

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11.16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

STRATHPARK

NUMBER:

61

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Sands (Uc4.2, Uc 5.2), yellow earths (Gn2.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

JK18,19, AC20, AB35, Ms18

DESCRIPTION:

REGOLITH:

Residual plain on Mesozoic rocks, dissected in the south

Ferruginous duricrust, residual sand

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin

ELEVATION:

220 - 450

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Depositional unit to the west, high rugged country to the

east

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Twidale (1964, 1966b), Perry &

others (1964), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

GREGORY

NUMBER:

62

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Tableland

SOILS:

Sands (Uc4.1), red earths (Gn2.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

JJ11. Mz29

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected tablelands, with plateau remnants

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust on plateau surfaces, residual sand

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstones of the Carpentaria Basin

ELEVATION:

RELIEF:

Moderate - high (low on plateau surfaces)

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Area of rugged landform along boundary of Carpentaria Basin Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983), Perry & others

(1964), Twidale (1964, 1966b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CHUDLEIGH

NUMBER:

63

STYLE:

Basalt Uplands

BASIC FORM:

Red friable earths (Gn3.12)

SOILS:

DESCRIPTION:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Irregular lava plain, which straddles the Great Divide, and has flows down to the east, south and west.

REGOLITH: GEOLOGY:

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils etc)

ELEVATION:

Cainozoic basalt and associated intercalated sediments

?700 - 1000 Low - moderate

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of basalt

REFERENCES:

Twidale (1956c, 1964, 1966b), Perry & others (1964),

Robertson (1976b), Stephenson & Griffin (1976), Stephenson

and others (1980)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Queensland 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

COMMENTS:

Sapphires, peridot and zircon are present in the basalt and

associated sediments

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

STARBRIGHT

NUMBER:

64

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Yellow earths (Gn2.2), sands (Uc2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MR3, Mr13, Cd29

DESCRIPTION:

Laterite plain

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust, alluvium, residual sand. Silicified

Tertiary sediments beneath duricrust Palaeozoic granites and sediments of the Burdekin Basin

GEOLOGY:

300 - 400

ELEVATION:

Low - moderate

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of laterite area

REFERENCES:

Wyatt (1968, 1970, 1978), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Townsville 1:250 000; Burdekin - Townsville Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CARANDOTTA

NUMBER:

65

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MM34, 36, 48

DESCRIPTION:

Alluvial outwash plain

REGOLITH:

Fine alluvium ('black soil')

GEOLOGY:

Cambrian sediments of the Georgina Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

170 - 310 Very low

RELIEF:

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MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of 'black soil' alluvium

REFERENCES:

Stewart (1954)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Mt. Isa, Urandangie 1:250 000; Georgina Basin 1:500 000 CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME:

SPLIT ROCK

NUMBER:

66

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mz34

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating plain

REGOLITH:

Duricrust - mainly ferruginous, but may be siliceous in part (Stewart, 1954, describes silicified mottled and pallid zones). The weathered profile is up to 24m thick

with a 2m ferruginous crust

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstones and mudstones of the Northern Territory

Shelf

ELEVATION:

300

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of Mesozoic sandstone

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Stewart (1954)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Camooweal !:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: PILPAH NUMBER: 67

Erosional STYLE: BASIC FORM: Plain

Red earths (Gn2.12), Shallow loams (Um1.4, Um6.22), duplex SOILS:

soils (Dr2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My132, Fz37, Ge4, Oa and Od units DESCRIPTION: Undulating plain with low ranges

REGOLITH: Some ferruginous duricrust

GEOLOGY: Cambrian carbonates and shales of the Georgina Basin,

Proterozoic metamorphics

250 - 330 **ELEVATION:** Low - moderate RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Floodplain of the Buckley River

BOUNDARIES: Split Rock unit to the north is laterite-mantled, units to

the west and south are depositional, Barkley unit to the west is a black soil plain, and Isa unit to the east is

more rugged and wholly underlain by Precambrian metam

REFERENCES: Stewart (1954)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Mt Isa 1:250 000; Georgina Basin 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 3

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: CLONAGH NUMBER: 68

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Floodplain

Self-mulching clays (Ug5.2, 5.3), red earths (Gn2.1) SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MM and CC units, Mu18 DESCRIPTION: Outwash floodplain

REGOLITH: Alluvium, residual sand. Includes the Quaternary Wondoola

beds. Ferruginous duricrust in a small part of the area

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Carpentaria Basin overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 100? - 250 Low - very low RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS: Low erosional rises

BOUNDARIES: Boundary with the Wondoola unit to the northeast based on

> CZCS imagery pattern - the Clonagh unit shows zones of differing response parallel to drainage, possibly a result

of differing materials from the Isa unit to the west

REFERENCES: Smart & others (1980), Perry & others (1964), Twidale

(1966a,b;1964), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Dobbyn, McKinlay, Julia Creek, Cloncurry 1:250 000;

Northern Eromanga Basin, Carpentaria and Karumba Basins

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985 NAME: STURGEON

NUMBER: 69
STYLE: Basalt
BASIC FORM: Tableland

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.12), cracking clays (Ug5.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My37, Kb23

DESCRIPTION: Broad domed basalt tableland, with dissected scarp margins,

and volcanic vents

REGOLITH: Minor only (soils, colluvium, alluvium etc)

GEOLOGY: Cainozoic basalt ELEVATION: 300? - 1000

RELIEF: Low - moderate (high at margins)

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Area of basalt

REFERENCES: Twidale (1956c, 1964, 1966b), Perry & others (1964),

Stephenson & Griffin (1976), Stephenson & others (1980)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hughenden, Richmond, Clarke River 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series Nos 11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: CAMPASPE

NUMBER: 70

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Yellow earths (Gn2.22), red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MS8, My40

DESCRIPTION: Laterite plain grading to partly dissected low plateau

REGOLITH: Tertiary sandstone (Campaspe beds) capped with ferricrete, and overlying laterite on older Tertiary sediments (Southern Cross Formation). Thick alluvium (including old

(Southern Cross Formation). Thick alluvium (including old alluvium of the Sellheim Formation which is partly mottled and formusinged) is present in some areas.

and ferruginised) is present in some areas

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic granites of the Lolworth - Ravenswood Block,

Palaeozoic sediments of the Drummond Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 200 - 350
RELIEF: Low - moderate
MINOR LANDFORMS: Basalt landforms

BOUNDARIES: Edge of area of laterite and Tertiary sediments

REFERENCES: Wyatt (1968), Day & others (1983), Marks (1913), Wyatt &

others (1970), Reid (1917), Clarke & Paine (1970), Wyatt (1970), Saint-Smith (1921), Morton (1945), Wyatt & others

(1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Townsville, Charters Towers 1:250 000, Burdekin -

Townsville Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: HATCHES CREEK

NUMBER: 71

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Hills & Ranges

SOILS: Stony sands, stone-covered soils on lower slopes and in

valleys, minor red earths and some yellow earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BA13,23,40, My123, My106

DESCRIPTION: Hills to undulating ridges and ranges on sandstone and

quartzite; flat topped commonly steep-sided hills and

ranges on sandstone, siltstone and shale

REGOLITH: Bare rocks, some laterite duricrust on hills and ridges
GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sediments, minor basic and acid volcanics, some

granite (Tennant Creek Inlier)

ELEVATION: Average 150-300 m

RELIEF: Up to 200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low dissected plateaus on limestone, siltstone and

sandstone; hills and ridges with undulating valleys on

basic rocks; outwash plains and fans

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by undulating plains, low hills to hilly slopes,

sand plains and some dunes

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australian 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 nm & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 Geological Series

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover

and Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 8, 10 Atlas of Australian

Soils; Australian Major Structur

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

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NAME: ANNITOWA

NUMBER: 72

STYLE: Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: Undulating plains
SOILS: Red earthy sands (on plains and swales), red siliceous

sands (on the sand rises), shallow gravelly and stony soils

(on ridges and hills)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB31, My80, 126,127, BA44, BY4

DESCRIPTION: Flat to gently undulating sand plains, broad low sand rises

and swales

REGOLITH: Surface scatter of iron gravels, undulating ridge and slope

terrain on lateritised sediments and some basic rocks

GEOLOGY: Cambrian and Cambro-Ordovician sedimentary rocks, some

Devonian rocks (Georgina Basin)

ELEVATION: 150 - 300
RELIEF: Less than 10 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Small alluvial flats, some claypans, stone covered ridges,

broken terrain on dolomite, limestone, shale and sandstone

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by low hills, ranges, dissected plateaux,

swamps

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief map of Australia 1:5m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:5m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5m; various 1:250

000

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms 1:5m; Atlas of Australian Soils Sheets

8 and 10; Australian Major Structural Domains 1:5m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: AUSTRAL NUMBER: 73

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Low plateau

SOILS: Pedal and non-pedal calcareous loamy earths (Gc2.21,

Gc1.2), duplex soils (Dr2.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Lh2, Ld2, Oc76

DESCRIPTION: Elongate low plateau, dissected by the Georgina River and

Pituri Creek, grading to plains

REGOLITH: Tertiary freshwater limestone (Austral Downs Limestone),

silicified in part. Basal zone rich in ferruginous detritus eroded from pre-existing ferruginous duricrust. Overlain by

thin unconsolidated Quaternary deposits

GEOLOGY: Cambrian carbonates of the Georgina Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units.

ELEVATION: 130 - 210

RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low hills and ridges

BOUNDARIES: Area of Austral Downs Limestone

REFERENCES: Paten (1964), Lloyd (1968), Day & others (1983), Randal

(1978)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Urandangie, Glenormiston 1:250 000; Georgina Basin 1:500

000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: KOONOOMOORINNA

NUMBER: 74

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Clays (Ug5), siliceous sands (Uc1.2), red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC units, B51, My144

DESCRIPTION: Sand plains with NNE to NNW-trending aeolian seif dunes and

areas of reticulate dunes. Interdune claypans

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand, alluvial-lacustrine clays, presumably

overlying weathered Tertiary Eyre Formation

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 60 - 100

RELIEF: Low (- moderate?)

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Andree unit to the south has more claypans and alluvial

tracts

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cordillo, Barrolka, Durham Downs 1:250 000; Northeast South

Australia, Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: NUMBER: OBAN 75

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My132

DESCRIPTION:

Residual sand plain

REGOLITH:

Residual sand, and old alluvium with aeolian reworking.

Minor laterite on outcrops of Cambrian sediments

GEOLOGY:

Cambrian carbonates of the Georgina Basin

ELEVATION:

190 - ?340

RELIEF:

Very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From geology and CZCS imagery

REFERENCES:

Stewart (1954), Noakes & others (1959),

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Urandangie 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME:

ROLLING DOWNS

NUMBER:

76

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Grey and brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.2, Ug5.3)

SOILS.

MM5, CB2

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating plain

REGOLITH:

Deep clay soils, alluvium. Occasional outliers of

silicified Tertiary sandstone, and areas of deeply

weathered Mesozoic rock

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga and Carpentaria Basins

ELEVATION:

170? - 370

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small mesas

BOUNDARIES:

Area of erosional black soil plains

REFERENCES:

Twidale (1966b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Northern Eromanga, Central Eromanga, Carpentaria and

Karumba Basins 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985,

BIRRICANNIA

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Low ridge

SOILS:

Yellow earths (Gn2.22), duplex soils (Dr2.13), loams

(Um1.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MS2, 0a5, Fz16,17, My29

DESCRIPTION:

Low ridge, with crest rising from south to north. Scarp up

to 30m high along western margin

REGOLITH:

Silicified and lateritised sediments of the Tertiary

Glendower Formation; alluvium in the south

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

215 - 430

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvial tracts

BOUNDARIES:

Outcrop area of Glendower Formation. Scarp down to Rolling

Downs unit to the west

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Vine (1970), Coventry (1979)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tangorin, Muttaburra, Longreach 1:250 000; Northern

Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

BARCALDINE

NUMBER:

078

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12), yellow earths (Gn2.22), cracking clays

(Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My24, MS2,5,7, CC units

DESCRIPTION:

Sandplains of residual or colluvial sand, with large

alluvial depositional areas.

REGOLITH:

Residual or colluvial sand, fine alluvium dating back to the Pleistocene. Areas of weathered Tertiary Campaspe beds in the north, and minor areas of ferruginised and/or silicified Glendower Formation . Some of the outcropping Mesozoic rocks are deeply weathered. Day & others (1983)

show laterite covering all the area.

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

230 - 400

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low rubbly rises

BOUNDARIES:

Black soil plains of the Rolling Downs unit and outcrop of Glendower Formation (Birricannia unit) to the west; area of residual sand over Mesozoic sediments (Webb unit) to the

east

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Vine (1970), Coventry (1979)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tangorin, Muttaburra, Longreach 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: WEBB NUMBER: 79

Erosional STYLE: BASIC FORM: Plateau

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My units

DESCRIPTION: Gently sloping sandy upland

REGOLITH: Residual sand. Mesozoic sediments where outcropping have

been kaolinised, and in part silicified and feruginised

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin

250 - 500 **ELEVATION:** RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Hills

BOUNDARIES: Areas to east and west have residual sand overlying

Tertiary sediments. Shows very markedly on CZCS imagery

REFERENCES: D.A. Senior (1973), Whitehouse (1940), Day & others (1983),

Coventry (1979)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tangorin, Buchanan, Galilee, Jericho 1:250 000; Central GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Eromanga Basin 1:1m

CZCS imagery OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS: Forms part of Great Divide in the north

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: MINGOBAR

NUMBER: 80

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Range

SOILS: Yellow earths (Gn2.22), loams (Um1.4), red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MS2, Fz7, My, Mz units

DESCRIPTION: Low range

REGOLITH: Minor residual sand and alluvium. Some ferruginisation and

silicification

GEOLOGY: Permo-Triassic rocks of the Galilee Basin

ELEVATION: 250 - 600 RELIEF: Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Area of outcrop of Permo-Triassic rocks

REFERENCES: Day & others (1983), Olgers (1970), Coventry (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Buchanan, Jericho, Longreach 1:250 000; Central Eromanga

Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985 NAME: GALILEE

NUMBER: 81

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Yellow earths (Gn2.2), red earths (Gn2.12), duplex soils

(Dy3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MS1,2, Ms2, My25,26, Vc3, Vd2

DESCRIPTION: Elevated plain with partly internal drainage, straddling

the Great Divide

REGOLITH: Residual sand and gravel, overlying Tertiary gravels with a

mainly ferruginous duricrust. Alluvium and lake deposits in

drainage sumps

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Galilee and Eromanga Basins,

overlain by Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION: 280 - 450 RELIEF: Very low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Ephemeral lakes

BOUNDARIES: Outcrop of Triassic rocks in the east, limit of Tertiary

sediments in the west

REFERENCES: D.A. Senior (1973), Day & others (1983), Whitehouse

(1940a), Coventry (1979)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Buchanan, Galilee, Jericho 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: BELYANDO

NUMBER: 82

STYLE: Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.12), yellow earths (Gn2.22, 2.21), self-

mulching clays (Ug5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My, MS, CC, MM units, Ms5

DESCRIPTION: Erosional plain on Tertiary sediments, with broad areas of

Recent alluvial deposition. Rises to a plateau in the far

northeast

REGOLITH: Deeply weathered Tertiary sediments (including Campaspe

beds and Suttor Formation), lateritized and possibly silicified in part, overlain by alluvium of the Belyando

and Suttor River systems

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic sediments of the Drummond Basin, Palaeozoic

metamorphics, Carboniferous volcanics, Permian - Triassic sediments of the Bowen and Galilee Basins, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 180 - 400

RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of Tertiary and younger rocks

REFERENCES: Day & others (1983), Malone & others (1964), Swarbrick

(1974), d'Auvergne (1984)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Fitzroy Region 1:1m; many 1:250 000 OTHER SOURCES: CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

CUNNAVALLA

NUMBER:

83

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Loams (Um5.5, Um5.3), brown self mulching clays (Ug5.3) Fa45, MM57, BE14

DESCRIPTION:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

'Rolling Downs' type plain with alluvial tracts along

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, soils, lag of silcrete boulders etc)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION:

100 - 200

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of non-deeply weathered rock

REFERENCES:

Senior & others (1968), Mabbutt (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Eromanga, Barrolka 1:250 000; Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

LENTON

NUMBER:

84

STYLE:

Basalt

BASIC FORM:

Plateau

SOILS:

Self-mulching clays (Ug5.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Kb25, Ke19

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected plateau

REGOLITH:

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Permo-Triassic sediments of the Bowen Basin, overlain by the Tertiary Exevale Formation, Cainozoic Basalt, and the Tertiary Suttor Formation

ELEVATION:

200 - ?400

RELIEF:

moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of basalt

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mount Coolon 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

Remnants of once extensive basalt flows

COMPILER:

BOWEN

NUMBER:

85

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

Various

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Various

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly country

REGOLITH:

Minor areas of weathered Tertiary sediments (Duaringa and

Exevale Formations) with ferruginous duricrust and some

siliceous cappings.

GEOLOGY:

Permian - Triassic sediments of the Bowen Basin, with areas

of Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

150 - 700

RELIEF:

Low - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of outcrop of Bowen Basin sediments Day & others (1983), Malone & others (1964)

REFERENCES:
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

Queensland 1:2.5m

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NAME:

EUNGELLA

NUMBER:

86

STYLE:

Erosional Ranges

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Duplex soils, friable earths, minimal loams

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Qa11,12, Mj10, ME2, Tb120, Ub84, Fz14,15

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges

REGOLITH:

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils, coastal deposits

etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic metamorphics, sediments and intrusives

ELEVATION:

150 - 1250

RELIEF:

High Narrow coastal flats

MINOR LANDFORMS: BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by less rugged and lower ground

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Clermont 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

PROSERPINE

NUMBER:

87

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.41, Dd1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb118, HG7

DESCRIPTION:

Coastal, low-lying plain

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, overlying Tertiary sediments of the Hillsborough Basin, with ferruginous duricrust in places. Pliocene - Pleistocene sediments at Edgecombe Bay have some ferricrete

capping. Quaternary coastal sediments

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments and volcanics

ELEVATION:

0 - ?100

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of depositional plain and Tertiary sediments

REFERENCES:

Green & Bateman (1981), Clarke & others (1971), Paine &

others (1974)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Proserpine, Bowen 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NAME:

WHITSUNDAY

NUMBER:

88

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Range, rugged islands

SOILS:

Brown friable earths (Gn3.24)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges and rugged islands

REGOLITH:

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic and Mesozoic volcanics, sediments and intrusives

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

0 - 800 High

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Narrow coastal flats

BOUNDARIES:

Low ground of the Proserpine unit to the west

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Clermont 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Burdekin - Townsville 1:1m; Proserpine 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: MACKAY NUMBER: 89

STYLE: Depositional (/erosional)

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Duplex soils (Dy3.43, Dy3.42, Dy2.21), saline clays

(Uf6.61)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Va47,48, Ub85,87, J4, Sd1

DESCRIPTION: Coastal plains

REGOLITH: Alluvium, overlying Tertiary continental sediments. Coastal

deposits

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic volcanics and sediments, and Palaeozoic to

Mesozoic granites

ELEVATION: 0 - 200 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Higher land of the Eungella unit to the west

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Mackay 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: GEORGINA

NUMBER: 90

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Undulating plains

SOILS: Deep grey clay, gravel covered calcareous rises, cracking

clays

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC60,63, 76, MM46

DESCRIPTION: Flat to gently undulating plains with widely spaced narrow

drainage ways Weathered clays

GEOLOGY: Cambrian sediments of the Georgina Basin

ELEVATION: 150

RELIEF: Less than 20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Plains with broad shallow depressions

BOUNDARIES: Edge of the deep grey clay

REFERENCES:

REGOLITH:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief map of Australia 1:5m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cainozoic of the Northern Territory 1:2.5m; Australia 1:5m;

various 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5m; Atlas of Australian

Soils Sheet 10; Australian Major Structural Domains 1:5m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

MUNDUBBERA

NUMBER:

91

Erosional STYLE:

BASIC FORM:

Undulating area

SOILS:

Mainly duplex soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Many, including Tb, Ub, Sj and LK units

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating area

REGOLITH:

Areas of deeply weathered bedrock and laterite cover 10-20% of area. Some Tertiary basalt outliers capped with

ferruginous duricrust and bauxite

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic metamorphics, Permian granite, Mesozoic

sediments and volcanics, minor Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION:

100? - 600

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

More rugged units to the east

REFERENCES:

Whitaker & others (1974), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mundubbera 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Landsat imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

WARRABIN

NUMBER:

92

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Alluvial outwash plain at the headwaters of Kyabra Creek Alluvium, probably overlying deeply weathered Winton

Formation

GEOLOGY:

Cretceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION:

150 - 180

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low rises of deeply weathered Winton Formation; small areas

of aeolian sand

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvium in the area

REFERENCES:

Ingram (1971a)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Eromanga 1:250 000; Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

NAME: BOULIA NUMBER: 93

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Floodplain

SOILS: Self-mulching clays (Ug5.2, Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MM units, CC units

DESCRIPTION: Floodplains of Hamilton, Burke, and Georgina Rivers

REGOLITH: Thick alluvium

GEOLOGY: Cambro-Ordovician sediments of the Georgina Basin and

Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 90 - ?350
RELIEF: Low - very low
MINOR LANDFORMS: Aeolian sand dunes

BOUNDARIES: Limit of alluvial valley

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Northwest Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: ORINYA NUMBER: 94

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Sandplain

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My1, Mx1,35

DESCRIPTION: Undulating sand plains with broad sandy rises; low

tableland in north. No aeolian landforms

REGOLITH: Sand, reworked from Tertiary and Quaternary deposits by

alluvial and aeolian processes. Overlies weathered Tertiary sediments (Glendower Formation) with silcrete capping, and deeply weathered Cretaceous sandstones (Canaway Profile).

Patches of silcrete gravel at surface

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION: 200 - 260
RELIEF: Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Breakaways with outcrop of Tertiary and Mesozoic rocks

BOUNDARIES: Limit of sandplain

REFERENCES: Mabbutt (1969), Senior & Mabbutt (1979), Senior (1971),

Abraham (1984)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Quilpie 1:250 000 OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

MAYNESIDE

NUMBER:

95

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating country

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.11), loams (Um5.51, Um1.4), duplex soils

(Dr2.33), brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3), plastic clays

(Uf6.31)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mz42, Fa43, Fz36, Oc83, MM units, Ii7

DESCRIPTION:

Plains, grading to hills and breakaways

REGOLITH:

Deeply weathered Cretaceous sediments - includes Morney and Canaway Deep Weathering Profiles, Curalle Silcrete Profile. Overlain by deeply weathered sediments of Tertiary

Glendower or Eyre Formation with silcrete capping

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

100 - 400

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From soils and geology maps, and CZCS imagery

REFERENCES:

Senior & others (1977), Senior & Mabbutt (1979), Senior (1979), Idnurm & Senior (1978), Day & others (1983), Senior

& others (1978), Connah (1966)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Northern Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

Precious opal occurs in the weathered profile

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

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NAME:

EMERALD

NUMBER:

96 Basalt

STYLE: BASIC FORM:

Plains and hills

SOILS:

Self-mulching clays (Ug5.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ke19, Kb10

DESCRIPTION:

Plain and hills (plugs) of volcanic origin, strongly eroded

in places
Laterite possibly developed on basalt and intercalated

REGOLITH:

Tertiary sediments

Tercrary sediments

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary basalt and intercalated sediments

ELEVATION:

200 - 800

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of Basalt

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Veevers & others (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

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COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME: NUMBER: KIMBA 97

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plateau

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.14): Mw51

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Sandy plateau

REGOLITH:

Residual sand overlying ferruginous duricrust developed in

weathered Tertiary clayey sands of the Bulimba Formation

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sandstone of the Carpentaria and Laura Basins,

overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

140 - 360

RELIEF:

low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

North and south boundaries are the limits of the duricrust; merges with the Jack and Bulimba units to the east and west

REFERENCES:

Smart & others (1980), Day & others (1983), Galloway &

others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Mitchell River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Hann River 1:250 000; Carpentaria and Karumba Basins 1:1m Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

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COMMENTS: COMPILER:

Area where the Carpentaria and Laura Basins are connected

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NAME:

DUARINGA

NUMBER:

98

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Valleyplains

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.43, Dy2.33, Dd1.33), self-mulching clays

(Ug5), red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Va52, CC, MM units, HG6, My23, Mz5, Si6

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Valley plains with low mesas and tablelands Weathered Tertiary sediments of the Duaringa Formation with

ferruginous duricrust capping over much of the area,

alluvium along rivers, residual sand

GEOLOGY:

Permo-Triassic sediments of the Bowen Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

100? - 250

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of Tertiary sediment

REFERENCES:

Noon (1982a), Day & others (1983), Malone & others (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

Oil shale in upper part of Duaringa Formation is weathered

COMPILER:

SAINT LAWRENCE

NUMBER:

99

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Duplex soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Various

Low plain

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, colluvium etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic volcanics and sediments intruded by Palaeozoic

to Mesozoic granites

ELEVATION:

0 - 200

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal plains

BOUNDARIES:

Higher, rugged Eungella and Boomer units to the west; Styx

unit to the east is mainly depositional

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

St Lawrence 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

STYX NUMBER: 100

STYLE:

Depositional

Plain

BASIC FORM:

Duplex soils

SOILS:

Various

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Low coastal plain

REGOLITH:

Alluvium overlying lateritised Tertiary sediments

GEOLOGY:

Permian and Mesozoic sediments, overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

0 - ?100

RELIEF:

Low - very low Coastal plains

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Surrounding units are erosional

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Malone & others (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

St Lawrence 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

BOOMER

NUMBER:

101

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Loams (Um1.4, Um4.1) Fz10, 14; LK14, 20

DESCRIPTION:

Hills and low ranges

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, colluvium soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments intruded by Permian to Mesozoic

granites; late Cretaceous volcanics

ELEVATION:

100? - 600

RELIEF:

Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvial valley of Fitzroy River up to 5 km wide

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by areas of deposition, or low-lying erosional

areas

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Fitzroy Region 1:1m; Rockhampton, Duaringa 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NAME:

ROCKHAMPTON

NUMBER:

102

STYLE:

Depositional Alluvialplain

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Cracking clays (Ug5.2,5.3), saline clays (Uf6.61), duplex

soils (Dy3.43)

CC units, MM units, J6, Va units Low-lying coastal alluvial plain

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Alluvium and coastal deposits

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments and metamorphics intruded by Permian granite, overlain by Tertiary sediments up to 1000 m thick,

and younger depsits

ELEVATION:

0 - ?100 Very low - low

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small erosional areas of Cainozoic sediment

BOUNDARIES:

Boundary of depositional plain

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Rockhampton, Port Clinton 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

PARNASSUS

NUMBER:

103

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.41), sands (Uc2.1), loams (Um2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb units, Cd units, Full

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly country

REGOLITH:

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils, coastal sediments

etc). Minor areas of Tertiary sediments

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments and metamorphics, intruded by Permian

to Mesozoic granite

ELEVATION:

0 - 750 (mostly below 200)

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal flats

BOUNDARIES:

Depositional Rockhampton unit to the west

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Port Clinton 1:250 000 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

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NUMBER:

104

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills, mountains and plateaux

SOILS:

Shallow stony sands and calcareous loams, red earthy and siliceous sands, duplex soils (Dr2.33), red earths, brown

self mulching clays

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BA 42-44, AB31, My128-131, Oc78,80, Fd1, Fz33,34, Mx31, MM

units

DESCRIPTION:

Low hills, grading to cuestas, rugged mountain ridges, and dissected plateaux; flat to undulating sand plains and

alluvial tracts

REGOLITH:

Alluvium and residual sand deposits over part of area; some stone covered ridges; surface soil covered with chert gravels; stony pavements; soils underlain by red-brown

hardpan

GEOLOGY:

Cambro-Ordovician sediments of the Georgina Basin

ELEVATION:

130 - 300 Low - high

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Aeolian seif dunes in southeast

BOUNDARIES:

Bounded by undulating plains and dunefields

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Various 1:250 000; Georgina Basin 1:500 000; Northwest Eromanga Basin 1:1m; Australia, Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5

m; Australia 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Australia Relief and Landforms 1:5m; Atlas of Australian

Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NUMBER:

105

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dr2.32), self mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Qc9, MM units Undulating plain

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, especially in the southwest; widespread residual siliceous and ferruginous gibbers from, and small areas of outcrop of weathered Tertiary sandstone (Marion Formation). Cretaceous rocks are deeply weathered (Morney Profile).

Minor Tertiary siliceous sinter

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION:

75 - ?300

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small steep hills

BOUNDARIES:

Area of Mesozoic sediments. Bounded by depositional units, Toko unit (Cambrian limestone) and Isa unit (Precambrian

metamorphics)

REFERENCES:

Paten (1964), Day & others (1983), Reynolds (1965), Casey

(1969), Randal (1978), Lloyd (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mt Whelan, Glenormiston, Boulia 1:250 000; Northwest

Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NAME:

NORANSIDE

NUMBER:

106

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MM48

DESCRIPTION:

'Black soil' plains

REGOLITH:

Silicified Tertiary Noranside Limestone, overlying silicified sandstone of the Tertiary Marion Formation, and

lateritised bedrock.

GEOLOGY:

Sediments of the EromangaBasin, overlain by Tertiary units

ELEVATION:

150 - 225 Low

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of Noranside Limestone

REFERENCES:

Casey (1968), Paten (1964), Day & others (1983), Lloyd

(1968), Randal (1978)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Boulia 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: COORABULKA

NUMBER: 107

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MM units

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plains with low hills

REGOLITH: About 10% of area has deeply weathered Cretaceous sediments

(silicified, ferruginised) of Morney Profile

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION: 90 - 200

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Depositional Diamantina and Boulia units to the east and

west. Differentiated from the Mayneside unit mainly by

soils

REFERENCES: Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Northwestern Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS: Gradational between the Rolling Downs unit, and Mayneside

or Haddon units

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: CORK NUMBER: 108

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MM units

DESCRIPTION: Plains with low ranges, and floodplains of the Diamantina

River and its tributaries

REGOLITH: Tertiary lake sediments (Old Cork beds and Mueller

Sandstone) which are lateritised in part; alluvium

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION: 150 - 200
RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limits of Old Cork beds

REFERENCES: Day & others (1983), Vine (1964a,b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Northern Eromanga Basin 1:1m; Mackunda 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NUMBER: STYLE:

109

BASIC FORM:

Erosional Plateau

SOILS:

Loams (Um1.4), red earths (Gn2.11), sands (Uc5.1), brown

self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Fz45, Mz42, AA17, MM35 Sand-covered plateau

REGOLITH:

Residual sand, overlying silicified Weirite beds, overlying

duricrusted Winton Formation

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

200 - 350

RELIEF:

Low (moderate at margins)

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From geology

REFERENCES:

Vine (1964b), Casey (1966), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Winton 1:250 000; Northern Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

DRUMMOND

NUMBER:

110

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Range

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dr2.33), minimal loamy soils (Um1.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

0c25,26, Fz12, S111, HF2

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Hills and ranges

Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments of the Drummond Basin: Palaeozoic

metamorphics of the Anakie Inlier

ELEVATION:

300? - 800

RELIEF:

Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES:

Clermont 1:1m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME: CLERMONT

NUMBER: 111

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Hills

SOILS: Hardsetting duplex soils SOILS ASSOCIATION: Qa9, HF2, Ro6, many others

DESCRIPTION: Flat to hilly country

REGOLITH: Fluvial 'emerald wash' and the older, lateritised Cainozoic

Red Mountain Formation present over part of the area. Day & others (1983) show an undifferentiated weathering profile Palaeozoic metamorphics of the Anakie Inlier, intruded by

Devonian granite; Permian sediments of the Galilee Basin

ELEVATION: 200 - 600
RELIEF: Moderate - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

GEOLOGY:

BOUNDARIES: Ranges of Drummond unit to the west, and basalt of the

Emerald unit to the east

REFERENCES: 01gers (1969), Robertson (1974, 1976a), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Emerald 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS: Sapphires mined in the 'emerald wash' which covers part of

the eastern part of the area

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: SIMPSON NUMBER: 112

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Dunsfield

SOILS: Siliceous sands (Uc1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B43

DESCRIPTION: Aeolian sandplain dominated by NNW trending seif dunes;

narrow interdune swales and corridor plains

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand overlying finer sediments of alluvial or

lacustrine origin. Sands grade from red to yellow and white from N to S; white sands are more common close to drainage $\,$

ways

GEOLOGY: Late Proterozoic - Cambrian sediments of the Georgina

Basin, and Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin,

overlain by Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION: 0 - 300

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS: Areas devoid of aeolian sand - low rises and claypans

BOUNDARIES: Area of aeolian sand with few claypans

REFERENCES: Purdie (1984), Twidale (1972), Whitehouse (1963), Bowler

(1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief map of Australia 1:5m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Mount Whelan, Bedourie, Birdsville, Pandie Pandie 1:250

000; Northwest Eromanga Basin 1:1 m; Cainozoic of the NT,

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils; Australia Relief and Landforms

1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and Weathering 1:10 m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, GWD'A, GT, Dec 1985

SPRINGVALE

NUMBER:

113

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Mesas

SOILS:

Plastic clays (Uf6), brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Ib1, Ii8, MM units

DESCRIPTIO

Low dissected mesas

REGOLITH:

Tertiary Springvale Formation is silicified and iron-

stained in part

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

110 - 130

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Limit of distribution of Springvale Formation Paten (1964), Day & others (1983), Lloyd (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Springvale, Brighton Downs 1:250 000; Northern Eromanga

Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME:

GYMPIE

NUMBER: STYLE:

114

BASIC FORM:

Erosional Undulating

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.41, Dy2.42), red friable earths (Gn3.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb units, Sk units, Mp13

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating country

REGOLITH:

Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments and volcanics of the Yarrol Basin,

intruded by Permian to Mesozoic granites

ELEVATION:

0 - 300, rare peaks to 600

RELIEF:

Low - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Steep hills, coastal flats

BOUNDARIES:

Higher Boomer unit to the west, depositional Rockhampton

unit to the north and east.

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Rockhampton, Brisbane 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Rockhampton 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, landsat imagery, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

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NUMBER:

115

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Alluvial and aeolian plain

SOILS:

Grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2), siliceous sands (Uc1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

CC103,101,100

DESCRIPTION:

Flood plain with areas of longitudinal sand dunes

REGOLITH:

Fine alluvial and lacustrine deposits, with aeolian sand. Some areas of Tertiary sediment - sandstone of the Marion Formation is silicified, ferruginised and leached, and there is some un-named limestone and chalcedony. Minor areas of ferruginous duricrust and ironstone gravel

overlying leached and ferruginised bedrock

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

50 - 80

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From soils and geology data

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Reynolds (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Bedourie, Birdsville 1:250 000; Northwestern Eromanga Basin

1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

The silicified Tertiary limestone contains carnotite

(uranium bearing mineral)

COMPILER:

DLG, NOV 1985

NAME:

HADDON

NUMBER:

116

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating plain

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION: Duplex soils (Dr1.3) Nb14,15,16, Nd5,6

DESCRIPTION:

Plateaux, plains, pediments and stony downs covered by gravel of silicified sandstone, with some isolated aeolian

seif dunes. Includes Sturt's Stony Desert

REGOLITH:

Complex area, showing the following features: deeply weathered Cretaceous rocks, overlain by Tertiary fluvial sandstone (Glendower and Eyre Formations) with silcrete capping and layers, overlain by late Tertiery pisolitic sandstone (pisoliths ferruginous, and possibly formed at the time of deposition), and chalcedonic or cherty limestone. Some aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

50? - 200

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Erosional area with few aeolian dunes

REFERENCES:

Senior & others (1977), Senior & Mabbutt (1979), Senior (1979), Idnurm & Senior (1978), Wopfner (1974), Wopfner & others (1974), Senior (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Birdsville, Beetoota, Cordillo 1:250 000; Northwest

Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

DIAMANTINA

NUMBER:

117

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Floodplain

SOILS:

Brown self-mulching clays (Ug5.3), siliceous sands (Uc1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MM units, B45

DESCRIPTION:

Floodplain of the Diamantina River, with areas of reworked

REGOLITH:

sand as northwest trending aeolian seif dunes

GEOLOGY:

Alluvium, reworked in places into aeolian dunes Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

0 - ?150

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of floodplain

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Northern, Northwestern Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

NUMBER:

FARRARS 118

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Floodplain

SOILS:

Grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

CC94

DESCRIPTION:

Floodplain of Farrars Creek

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, overlying weathered sediments (Tertiary Whitula

Formation and Cretaceous Winton Formation)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

100 - 130

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvium of Farrars Creek

REFERENCES:

Senior & others (1978), Gregory & others (1967), Mabbutt

(1967)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

CUDDAPAN

NUMBER:

119

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My143, 144

Sandplain - varies from longitudinal dunefields, through DESCRIPTION:

reticulate dunes, to sandplain of aeolian reworked

surficial sand

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand. Some inliers of Tertiary fluvial sediment

with silcrete

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

110 - 190

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low silcrete-capped hills, claypans (locally common)

BOUNDARIES:

Area of aeolian sand

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Gregory & others (1967)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m; Cantebury, Windorah 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

ADAVALE

NUMBER:

120

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating Plain

SOILS:

Poorly developed loamy soils (Um5.51, Um1.4), red earths

(Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Fa45, 46; FZ46, 47, 49; My142

DESCRIPTION:

Mantled plains, grading to ridges and breakaways

REGOLITH:

Deeply weathered bedrock (Morney and Canaway Profiles). silcrete (Curalle Silcrete Profile), and ferruginous duricrust. Weathered Tertiary fluvial sediments (Eyre or

Glendower Formations)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

Low - moderate

ELEVATION:

75 - ?430

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Erosional area of deeply weathered rocks. Distinguished

from the Haddon and Mayneside units by the absence of

duplex soils and the presence of red earths

REFERENCES:

Senior & others (1977), Senior (1979), Senior & others (1968), Senior & Mabbut (1979), Idnurm & Senior (1978), Senior & others (1978), Connah (1966), Day & others (1983),

Gunn & Galloway (1978)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 34

COMMENTS:

Precious opal occurs in the weathered profile

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: NUMBER: COOPER 121

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Floodplain

SOILS:

Grey cracking clays (Ug5.2, Ug5.5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

CC units, 0011

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Floodplain of Cooper Creek, including Lake Yamma Yamma Clayey alluvium, agglutinated into sand-sized grains when transported. Overlies weathered Tertiary Whitula Formation

(mildly silicified and ferruginised), and the Tertiary

Glendower Formation which has a silcrete capping

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

60 - 150

RELIEF:

Very low - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvial plains

REFERENCES:

Senior & others (1978), Day & others (1983), B. Rust (pers.

comm.)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m; Jundah, Windorah, Barrolka.

Durham Downs 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

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NUMBER:

122

STYLE:

Basalt

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Red friable earths (Gn3.12), red earths (Gn2.12), some

areas of bare rock

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mo31, My37, TB

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating basalt plains, dissected in part, sloping to the

east from volcanoes near the western margin

REGOLITH:

Inliers of Pliocene Allingham Formation (fluvial and lacustrine sediments, including detrital laterite), resting

on lateritised Palaeozoic volcanics

GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic basalt, some inliers of Cainozoic sediments and

Palaeozoic rocks

ELEVATION:

300 - 800

RELIEF:

Low? - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of basalt

REFERENCES:

Perry & others (1964), Twidale (1956c, 1964, 1966b), Wyatt

(1968), Stephenson & Griffin (1976), Archer & Wade (1976),

Stephenson & others (1970)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Clarke River, Townsville 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series Nos

11, 16

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1978

NAME: HUMBOLDT NUMBER: 123

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Self-mulching clays (Ug5), duplex soils (Dr2.33, Dy3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC, MM units, My21, Oc24, Ub67

DESCRIPTION: Soil-covered plains

REGOLITH: Tertiary fluvial and lacustrine sediment (lateritised, most

outcrops are of the mottled zone, at least in the southeast of the area) over all the area. Overlain by areas of

residual sand and alluvium

GEOLOGY: Tertiary basalt, interbedded with sediments, overlying

Permian sediments of the Bowen Basin

ELEVATION: 120? - 210

RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Coastal mudflats, dunefields BOUNDARIES: Limit of Tertiary sediment

REFERENCES: Olgers (1966), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Emerald, Duaringa, Baralaba 1:250 000 OTHER SOURCES: CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: WOORABINDA

NUMBER: 124

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Duplex soils (Dy5.41, Dy3.42), red earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Wa16, Ub68, My22, Mz6

DESCRIPTION: Sloping plain

REGOLITH: Lateritised Tertiary sediments over all of the area; most

outcrops of Tertiary rocks are in the mottled zone

GEOLOGY: Triassic sediments, overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 100 - ?250

RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Rugged Carnarvon unit to the west, north and east, Zamia

unit to the south has only minor Tertiary sediment

REFERENCES: Olgers (1966), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Baralaba 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

NAME: ZAMIA NUMBER: 125

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Low hills

SOILS: Grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2), Duplex soils (Db1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CB4, CC22, Rf3,5

DESCRIPTION: Undulating country with low hills

REGOLITH: Residual sand over one third of the area; minor lateritised

Tertiary sediment (most outcrops are in the mottled zone)

GEOLOGY: Triassic sediments, Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION: 100 - 430 RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Rugged Carnarvon unit to east, south and west. Tertiary

sediments of the Woorabinda unit to the north

REFERENCES: Olgers (1966), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Baralaba 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: MARYBOROUGH

NUMBER: 126

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Undulating area

SOILS: Yellow leached earths (Gn2.3,2.7), grey leached earths

(Gn2.9), leached sands (Uc2.2), duplex soils (Dy3.41)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mb12, MT1,2, Ca9, Tb units DESCRIPTION: Undulating coastal area

REGOLITH: Lateritised Tertiary Elliott Formation (mottled in part,

with ferruginous duricrust capping in places, and some silicification). Overlain by non-lateritised lake and

coastal sediments

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous coal measures of the Maryborough Basin

ELEVATION: 0 - 60

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS: Coastal flats and dunes

BOUNDARIES: Limit of area of Tertiary sediment GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Maryborough, Bundaberg 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

NAME: THEODORE

NUMBER: 127

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Undulating country

SOILS: Self-mulching clays (Ug5), duplex soils (Dr2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MM, CC, and Kb units, Qa6,7

DESCRIPTION: Undulating country with low ranges

REGOLITH: Minor residual sand and Tertiary sediment

GEOLOGY: Permian volcanics and sediments

ELEVATION: 150? - 300? RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Areas of Tertiary sediment to the east and west, less

rugged than the Boomer, Mundubbera and Carnarvon units to

the north, southeast and southwest

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Monto, Mundubbera 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: BILOELA
NUMBER: 128
STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Valleyplain

SOILS: Self-mulching clays (Ug5), duplex soils (Dd1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Kf5, CC22,23, HG4

DESCRIPTION: Broad valley plains with low mesas

REGOLITH: Alluvium along rivers; weathered Tertiary Biloela Formation

(fine sediments mainly) is capped with ferruginous and

siliceous duricrust on low mesas

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic sediments of the Bowen and Yarrol Basins, capped

by thick Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 80 - 200

RELIEF: Moderate - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Edge of area of Tertiary sediments

REFERENCES: Noon (1982b), Noon & Grimes (1982), Dear & others (1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Rockhampton, Monto 1:250 000; Fitzroy Region 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 39

COMMENTS:

WEEMARIE

NUMBER:

129

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dr1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Nb16,18

DESCRIPTION:

Gibber-covered plain, with longitudinal sand dunes and

REGOLITH:

Gravel and pebbles of silcrete derived from duricrust, aeolian sand, alluvium. Tertiary limestone, partly altered to chalcedony in places. Minor areas of leached and

ferruginised Tertiary sandstone (Marion Formation)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

50 - 80

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From geology and soils data

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Olgers (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Bedourie, Birdsville 1:250 000; Northwestern Eromanga Basin

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

FRASER

NUMBER:

130 Depositional

STYLE: BASIC FORM:

Sand dunes

SOILS:

Siliceous sands (Uc1.21, Uc2.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

B18, Ca10, Cb31

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly sand dune country, either as islands or

coastal strip

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Maryborough Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sediments

ELEVATION:

0 - 250

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Interdune lakes Area of dune sand

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Brisbane 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Queensland 1:2.5m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: LANGLO NUMBER: 131

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Sandplain

SOILS: Red earth (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My1,3,4

DESCRIPTION: Sandplain, with residual sand partly reworked by alluvial

and aeolian action, with a well developed alluvial system

in the north

REGOLITH: Residual sand, partly reworked to alluvial and aeolian

sand. Overlies deeply weathered Cretaceous sediments, and deeply weathered Tertiary sandstone with silcrete cap. Fine

alluvium along watercourses

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 220 - 360

RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of sandplain

REFERENCES: Mabbutt (1969), Galloway (1970a,b), B. Senior (1971), D.

Senior (1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Charleville, Adavale, Augathella, Quilpie 1:250 000;

Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: AUGATHELLA

NUMBER: 132

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Outwash sandplain

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My5

DESCRIPTION: Outwash (colluvial, fluvial, and ?aeolian) sandplain from

sandstone hills to the east, deposited over an area of

stripped duricrust

REGOLITH: Fluvial, colluvial, and possibly aeolian sand, possibly

overling deeply weathered bedrock

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 360 - 500

RELIEF: Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Aeolian sand dunes BOUNDARIES: Limit of sandplain

REFERENCES: Galloway (1970b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m; Augathella 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

CARNARVON

NUMBER:

133

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Range

SOILS:

Sands (Uc1.2), duplex soils (Dy5.41, Db1.13), loams

(Um1.4), red earths (Gn2.1), self mulching clays (Ug5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Bz1,5; Wa15; Rf units; Fz7; My, Mz, Kb, Mm units

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges and tablelands

REGOLITH:

Minor Tertiary sediment with ferruginous duricrust

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Surat and Eromanga Basins, and

Permian sediments of the Bowen Basin

ELEVATION:

200? - 1000

RELIEF:

Moderate - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From geology and imagery

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m, Northern Surat Basin 1:1m CZCS imagery, landsat imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series

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COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME:

TAROOM

NUMBER:

134

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy2.33, Db1.33, Db2.33), Loams (Um1.4), grey

self mulching clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Fz3, S13, CB3, Ro4, Rq1

DESCRIPTION:

Hills in west, grading to undulating country in the east

REGOLITH:

Minor areas of silcrete rubble

GEOLOGY:

Jurassic sediments of the Surat Basin

ELEVATION:

180 - 700 Moderate

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Less rugged than the Carnarvon unit to the north, and does not have the deeply weathered rocks of the Adavale unit to

the south

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Exon (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Northern Surat Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

CONSUELO

NUMBER:

135

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Ranges

SOILS:

Loams (Um1.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

: Fz8

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Deeply dissected high ranges or tableland Minor only (alluvium, colluvium, soils etc)

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION:

500 - 1200

RELIEF:

Very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of basalt Mollan (1967)

REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Springsure 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land

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COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

AUBURN

NUMBER:

136

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plateau

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.41)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb110, 111

DESCRIPTION:

Sand-covered plateau

REGOLITH:

Silcrete (Day & others, 1983; Whitaker & others, 1974), with some ferricrete; developed in up to 15 m of unbedded Cainozoic sediment, overlying a deep weathering zone in

granite

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic granite overlain by Cainozoic sediment

ELEVATION:

300 - 450

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Aeolian sand dunes

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Limit of continuous area of duricrust Whitaker & others (1974), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mundubbera 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

INDOOROOPILLY

NUMBER:

137

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22); Siliceous sand; loamy

soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11).

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DD29; B62; BB33

DESCRIPTION:

Plains broken by hills and ridges; some dune tracts; saline

flats; clay pans; seasonal swamps and lakes. Lakes fringed

on the eastern margins by lunettes.

REGOLITH:

Sand mantle with minimal soil development, dune sands, outcrops of bare rock; clay silt and sand in alluvial and seasonal swampy lowlands. Evaporite deposits of gypsum and halite; some kopi dunes. Silcrete and ferricrete development. Deeply weathered Palaeozoic basement with

exposed pallid zones and mottled zones

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proterozoic metamorphics. Carpentarian conglomerates, dolomitic shales, quartzites and granite, volcanics and pyroclastics in Gawler Block. Adelaidean sandstone, quartzite, dolomite, acid and basic lavas. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; terrestrial limestone, minor sand and clay. Ferruginous aluminous and siliceous duricrusts. Quaternary gypsum halite and clay. Gold produced at

Tarcoola (1908)

ELEVATION:

106-224 m

RELIEF:

5-40 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Numerous lakes, clay pans and channelways; isolated hills;

some dunes (linear) and lunette formation; swamps

BOUNDARIES:

Approximates the outline of a drainage basin between dunefields and Stuart Ranges. Some influence from CZCS

imagery patterns and soil map units

REFERENCES:

Parkin (1969) Tarcoola 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

LAKE LABYRINTH

NUMBER:

138

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating terrain

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD1; DD28

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating terrain with mesas and buttes, some saline

seasonally swampy areas with gypseous lunettes. Dune

formations in east

REGOLITH:

Variable stone and gravel mantle. Some low silcrete capped

hills. Evaporite deposits (gypsum, halite). Sand, silt,

clay deposits in lowlands

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proteozoic metamorphics. Carpentarian conglomerates, dolomitic shales, quartzites and granite, volcanics and pyroclastics in Gawler Block. Adelaidean sandstone, quartzite, dolomite, acid and basic lavas. Cretaceous sandstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, terrestrial limestone, minor sand and clay. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts.

Quaternary gypsum, halite and clay

ELEVATION:

115-321 m

RELIEF:

6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Dunes; lunettes; kopi dunes; lowlands swamps (seasonal),

playas, claypans

BOUNDARIES:

defines an area of numerous lakes and chains of lakes with dunes: physiographic unit with some influence from CZCS imagery patterns, soil map units and Environments of SA map

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977), [7.4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.4]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: OAKDEN NUMBER: 139

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS: Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12); crusty loamy soils with

red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.33); Sand soils, brown and red (Uc

5.11, 5.12, 5.13); Shallow dense loams (Um 5.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DD1; Nb42; AA2; F3

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plains overlain with sand sheets and dunes, with

occasional silcrete capped rises

REGOLITH: Alluvium, colluvium (sand silt clay and gravels). Silcrete

cappings and Ti-rich skins. Dune sand and residual sand mantles. Evaporites (gypsum and halite). Bleached Cretaceous shales. Silicified rhizomorphs and nodular

silcrete (Tertiary)

GEOLOGY: Adelaidean sandstone, siltstone, quartzite, dolomite, acid

and basic volcanics, some limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; terrestrial limestone, minor sand and

clay. Quaternary gypsum, halite, sand and clay

ELEVATION: 200-280 m RELIEF: 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Numerous salt lakes; linear dune tracts

BOUNDARIES: Closely associated with soil map units, some influence from

physiography and CZCS imagery

REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977), Milnes and Hutton (1974); Milnes and

Twidale (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Tarcoola, Port Augusta 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2 500 000

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OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

REGOLITH:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

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NAME: MATTAWEARA

NUMBER: 140

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Dune formations

SOILS: Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12); crusty loamy soils with

red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Dd1; Nb35,41

DESCRIPTION: Dune formations with relatively small plains between an

undulating plain. Occassional low silcrete capped rises Silcrete cappings; opal in minor and major commercial grades; desert armour; gilgai and stone circles; deep

weathering profiles with exposed mottled and pallid zones; gypsum and gypsum-impregnated sediments; evaporites (halite

and gypsum)

GEOLOGY: Adelaidean sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

Cambrian siltstone, sandstone, conglomerate, shale, limestone. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand,

ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

ELEVATION: 150 m RELIEF: <6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: mesas, buttes; dunes; playas, claypans,

BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977) [7.4.6], Barnes and Townsend (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Tarcoola 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

GLUEPOT

NUMBER:

141

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12). Highly calcareous loamy

earths Gc 1.12. Cracking clays, yellow grey (Ug 5.2). Hard

setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD2,3,1; Lb1,4,11; 014;

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with variable dune cover, from dune formations with relatively small plains between to plains with isolated tracts of dunes. Claypans, saline soils, swamps, and

intermittent lakes in low-lying areas

REGOLITH:

Exposed caliche and crusty loamy soils; colluvial sand, silt, clay and gravel along footslopes of Olay Spur.

Evaporite deposits; gypsum and halite

GEOLOGY:

Minor Precambrian basement, minor Palaeozoic outcrops. Tertiary marine sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; some fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, minor alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and conglomerate. Terrestrial

limestone, minor sand and clay

ELEVATION:

81-200 m

RELIEF:

<5-70 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Numerous very low sand ridges; lakes; seasonal swamplands,

claypans, minor levees, floodplain landforms

BOUNDARIES:

North Mount Lofty, Murray River, Darling Anabranch; footslopes of the Olary Ranges. Physiographic criteria with some influence from CZCS imagery patterns and soil map

REFERENCES:

Parkin (1969), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

WIRREALPA

NUMBER:

142

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Piedmont Plain

SOILS:

Hard pedal, red duplex soils (Dr 2.23). Loamy soils with

weak pedologic development (Um 5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD4, BB3,32

DESCRIPTION:

Coalescing, low angle fans with broad floodplains, incised

in ranges. A piedmont plain

REGOLITH:

Surface gravel, sand cover; alluvial deposits on

floodplains; colluvial sand, silt, clay and gravel;

claypans; evaporites (halite and gypsum)

GEOLOGY:

Adelaidean sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone, tillite. Cambrian sandstone, siltstone, shale, conglomerate, limestone. Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine

sand, silt clay and gravel

ELEVATION:

500 m

RELIEF:

<6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Colluvial fans formed on footslopes of 'Great Wall of China' in North Flinders Range. Small isolated hills with saddlle connection only to main range. Channelways draining to Lake Frome; seasonal swampy lowlands some dry

lakes

BOUNDARIES:

Determined in conjunction with physiographic and soil map

unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977) [6.1.15], Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

WARWICK HILLS

NUMBER:

143

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected plateaus

SOILS:

Crusty, loamy soils with red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.33); Red

earths (Gn 2.13); Various Brown cracking clays (Ug 5.3);

Loamy soils of minimal development (Um 1.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Nb30.31; Mx1; MM73,71,72; Nb4; Fz1

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected plateaux with rocky scarps, mesas and buttes. Intervening and adjacent areas are rolling stony downs with narrow stream valleys. Larger tracts have valley plains

with some clay pans and seasonal lakes

REGOLITH:

Commercial opal; deeply weathered Cretaceous sediments, silcrete and ironstone cappings on hills. Ferricrete. lateritic pebbles associated with Cretaceous sediments; laterite under silicrete all over Cretaceous sediments. 30 m of floodplain and outwash sediments in some areas.

some dune sand. Nodular travertine

GEOLOGY:

Minor lower Proterozoic basement. Lower Devonian and Upper Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, chert, shale, limestone, phyllite. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz

sand. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

ELEVATION:

180-222 m

RELIEF:

<5-40 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Plateaus; mesas; buttes; scarps; stony downs; clay pans and

lakes; floodplain landforms; sand dunes

BOUNDARIES:

Soil map units and CZCS imagery patterns are dominant

criteria

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Rose (1974)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

WAVERLEY DOWNS

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Depositional

144

BASIC FORM:

Plain (flat to undulating)

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn 2.13, 2.12); loamy soils with weak pedologic

development (Um 5.51); Crusty, loamy soils with red clavey

subsoils (Dr 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mx1; My1; Fa48; Nb29; Mx35

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to gently undulating plain, with sand cover and siliceous duricrusted mesas. Scree slopes to general pediment plain. Numerous depressions in interdune areas

REGOLITH:

Sand dunes and sand mantles; gibber plains (desert armour). Talus slopes, alluvial: sand, silt, clay - mostly clay and 'black soil'; intra and extra dunal clay deposits in claypans, eg. the very large Bulleo claypan. Silicified

sediments, quartzite and porcellanite (Tertiary).

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Ferruginous,

aluminous, siliceous duricrust.

ELEVATION:

180-220 m

RELIEF:

<5 - 40 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Linear dunes; lakes; playas; dry claypans; seasonal swamps;

alluvial floodplain landforms

BOUNDARIES:

Mainly influenced by soil map units and CZCS imagery

patterns

REFERENCES:

Brunker (1966), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

BEGA

NUMBER:

145

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Basin on granite

SOILS:

Brown friable earths, hard setting loamy soils with red

clayey subsoil (Gn 3.21 & 22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Me1, Pb5,

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating granite hills, broad shallow valleys.

Alluvial flats of the Bega River

REGOLITH:

Tertiary gravels, sand, clays and lignites; some sandstone. Tertiary basalt weathering to produce expansive clay soils. Weathered granite producing grus mantles. Quaternary

alluvium, sand, silt and clay

GEOLOGY:

Lower to Middle Devonian granite. Upper Devonian sediments of the Merrimbula Formation and Ordovician sediments and meta-sediments. Tertiary sand, silt and gravel with clays

and lignite

ELEVATION:

50 to 300 90 to 180

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Floodplains and some minor floodplain landforms

BOUNDARIES:

The Great Escarpment to the west; Wolumla Peak and associated range to the south; Black Range, Mumbula, Narira and Jeffers Mtns to the east. Primary influence for

boundaries is soil map units and CZCS imagery

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bega 1:100 000, Melbourne 1:1 m Bega 1:250 000, Aust 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Dec 1985

NAME:

TODMARDEN

NUMBER:

146

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected tablelands and plains

SOILS:

Siliceous sand (Uc 1.2); Red earths (Gn 2.12); Cracking

clays (Ug 5.24, 5.25)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

B54,55; My117; CC112

DESCRIPTION:

Broad drainage basin of Alberga River and north and south Branch of Neales River. Pediment below dissected tablelands Talus slopes and pediments; some dune sand and sandplain;

REGOLITH:

desert armour; some commercial opal in Oodnadattta region. Alluvial sand, silt and clay; dreikanters; highly weathered

kaolinised basement rocks. Tertiary duricrusts

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Tertiary marine and some lacustrine limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvialum, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Quaternary gypsum, halite, sand and clay

ELEVATION:

180-210 m 30 m

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Cuesta ridges, mesas, buttes, dunes and low sand ridges,

playas and claypans

BOUNDARIES:

Primarily physiographic with soil map units - outline of

Talus slopes, pediment and plain

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Oodnadatta 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: SOUTH COAST

NUMBER: 147

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Coastal ranges; plains with estuaries

SOILS: Brown friable earths, leached sand and numerous other minor

soil varieties (Gn3.21 & 22; Uc2.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Me1; Fa3; Pb5, Tb18; Mj1; Ub27; and others

DESCRIPTION: A coastal lowland strip east of the Great Escarpment.

Beach barrier systems with numerous lakes. Extensive alluvial floodplains of major coastal rivers. Gently undulating hills with broad shallow valleys. Zone of steep slopes, sharp ridges and mountainous country with some \V\

shaped valleys towards the escarpment.

REGOLITH: Silcrete in Milton area on flanks of E-W ridges and

headlands; overlain, in most places, by basalt. Patchy

Quaternary alluvium: sand silt and clay

GEOLOGY: Ordovician meta-sediments south of Ulladulla; Permian

Shoalhaven Group sandstone of the Sydney Basin north of

Ulladulla.

ELEVATION: 0 to 1362 RELIEF: 6 to 365

MINOR LANDFORMS: Barrier systems, lagoons, beaches, beach dunes, headlands

and rock platforms

BOUNDARIES: Pacific ocean to the east, Great Escarpment to the west.

REFERENCES: Callender (1978), Young (1978)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Bega 1:100 000, Melbourne & Sydney 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Bega 1:250 000, Ulladulla 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Soils & Land

Use Series: South Coast of N.S.W.

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Dec 1985

NAME: MULOORINA

NUMBER: 148

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Crusty, red duplex soils (Dr1.33). Red & Brown sands

(Uc5.11). Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 5.25)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Nb35,36; CC118

DESCRIPTION: A gently undulating plain of alluvium and aeolian sand with

occasional dunes

REGOLITH: Alluvial sand silt and clay; sand mantles; dune sand;

evaporites (halite, gypsum); clay, silt and some sand in

claypans

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel.

Minor Quaternary salt, gypsum, clay and sand

ELEVATION: 30 m RELIEF: <6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Some linear dunes, playas, claypans

BOUNDARIES: Outlines area principally without dunes. Soil map units

are major influence together with parts of map units of

Laut & others (1977)

REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977) [8.3.12]
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill and Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

BRINDINGABBA

NUMBER:

149

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Floodplain

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn 2.12, 2.13); Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.33); Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 5.25)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MY1; Mx1; Nb3,4; CC19

DESCRIPTION:

Depositional floodplain of the Paroo-Warrego River systems, with occasional low hills above 200 m elevation, numerous lakes and claypans with seasonal swampy lowland depressions

and dry channels

REGOLITH:

Predominantly alluvial sand, silt, clay, clays in claypans, lacustrine clays and silts. Some dune sands and residual

sand mantles. Colluvium in footslopes of low hills

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel.

Ferruginous, siliceous and aluminous duricrusts

ELEVATION:

<180-200 m

RELIEF:

<5-20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Playas and claypans, floodplain landforms, distributary

channel systems of main rivers and trunk tributaries.

BOUNDARIES:

Soil map units and CZCS imagery patterns are dominant

criteria

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969) Bourke 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

LIGHTNING RIDGE

NUMBER:

150

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plains and dissected tableland

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn 2.12). Hard setting loamy soils with brown

clayey subsoils (Dd 1.33). Cracking clay (Ug 5.24, 5.25)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My2; R03; CC17,18

DESCRIPTION:

Ridges, flat-topped and mesa topography with inter-ridge areas of undulating to flat terrain with claypans end 'black soil' areas abutting main ridge. Frequently dry watercourse and claypans with some seasonal swampy

internal drainage areas.

REGOLITH:

Commercial opal fields, opalised weathered Cretaceous siltstones and sandstones. claystone. Silicified conglomerates, quartzite and porcellanite of Tertiary age. Various combinations of Quaternary sand, silt and clays. Silcrete capped mesas and ridges with underlying unconsolidated Tertiary (?) sediments (gravels and

conglomerates). Silcrete is patchy

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic alluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Ferruginous,

aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

ELEVATION:

150-190 m

RELIEF:

30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Mesas, elongated ridge lines; intermittant lakes; claypans CZCS imagery patterns and soil map units provide criteria

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Langford-Smith (1978), Offenberg (1967)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: GLASS HOUSE MOUNTAINS

NUMBER: 151

STYLE: Erosional/Depositional
BASIC FORM: Lowland with volcanic plugs

SOILS: Yellow leached earths (Gn 2.3, 2.7). Yellow earths (Gn

2.24). Yellow friable earths (Gn 3.5, 3.7, 3.8). Leached sand soil (Uc 2.2). Red friable earths (Gn 3.11). Dark friable earths (Gn 3.42, 3.43). Grey friable earths (Gn 3.9)

3.0). Leached loamy soils (Um 2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mb10; Mr6; Mf16,7; Ca12; MF4; Mp11; MM9; P11; Qd6; Mp10;

Mp19; 10

DESCRIPTION: Lowland on weak sedimentry rocks, with prominent volcanic

plugs (Glass House Mountains)

REGOLITH: Highly lateritized Lower Cainozoic in places. Basalt

capping with sub-basaltic sediments; basalts not lateritised. Friable red sesqui-oxidic soils (sandy lateritic red earths); lateritic podsolic soils; some oceanic sands. Alluvial sand, silt and clay; colluvial

sands and gravels. Commercial Cainozoic clay deposits

GEOLOGY: Upper Devonianian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone,

siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Permian sandstone, siltstone, mudstone tillite limestone. Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, granite. Jurassic

sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION: 0-556 m RELIEF: 20-400

MINOR LANDFORMS: Como scarp; volcanic plugs; coastal lowland swamps;

floodplain landforms and river terraces; ancient dune and

barrier systems. Coastal lagoons and lakes

BOUNDARIES: Based on physiographic criteria (coastal plain bordered by

escarpment to west and coastal dune and swamp lands to

east). Some influence from soil map units

REFERENCES: Hill and Denmead (1960)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Brisbane 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: EUCUMBENE

NUMBER: 152

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Hills and plains

SOILS: Lithosols (shallow loamy soils); Solodized solonetz and

solodic soils (Um4.2, Dy 3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: LL1; Fa2; Ub27;

DESCRIPTION: Multicyclic erosional landscape of hills and hillocky areas

with intervening areas of dissected plains, the whole area is traversed and dissected by variously incised stream

valleys

REGOLITH: Alluvial gravels and sands in river valleys; isolated

Tertiay basalt and related weathered products. Quaternary alluvium, gravel, sand, silt and clay deposits associated

with valley floors and small terrace deposits

GEOLOGY: Granite-granodiorite, granite porphyry; slate, shales,

greywacke, sandstones, quartzites, siltstones, limestones,

tuff and andesites of Lower Palaeozoic age

ELEVATION: 1000 RELIEF: 5 to 180

MINOR LANDFORMS: Minor river valleys floor and floodplains, undulating

plains

BOUNDARIES: Primarily, the boundaries are physiographic; roughly the

1000m contour

REFERENCES: Packham (1969) Costin (1954)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Melbourne 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Bega 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Dec 1985

NAME: MONARO
NUMBER: 153
STYLE: Volcanic

BASIC FORM: Basalt filled palaeoplain

SOILS: Red friable earths (Gn3.11, 12, 13)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Md3;

DESCRIPTION: Broad basalt filled palaeoplain. Gently undulating surface

cut by 60 - 100 m deep valleys in north, and south near

Bombala.

REGOLITH: Basalt overlying silcrete. Deep weathering of Silurian

volcanics and Ordovician shales to form kaolinite weathering profile. Calcrete is abundant in present

drainage valleys. Some ferricrete.

GEOLOGY: Tertiary (Eocene to ealiest Oligocene) basalt overlying

Silurian volcanics with associated sediments and Ordovician

shales

ELEVATION: 1000

RELIEF: 100, 60 - 100 valley relief

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Boundary determined by areal extent of the Monaro basalt. REFERENCES: Costin (1954), Taylor (1982), Wellman (1972), Smith &

Taylor (1975), Browne (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Cooma 1:100 000, Bega 1:250 000, Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Bega 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, 1985

LOFTY

NUMBER:

154

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Steep, hilly to mountainous terrain, deeply dissected.

SOILS:

Red friable earths; hard setting loamy soil with yellow

clayey subsoil (Gn3.14, 2.14; Dr 2.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mj17; Sj2;

DESCRIPTION:

Steep hilly to mountainous terrain, deeply dissected; some remnants of old gently undulating landscapes. Steep scarps.

granite tors

REGOLITH:

Sandy soils on granite, expanding clay soils associated with weathering of Tertiary basalt. Kaolinised granite

saprolite, and grus mantles

GEOLOGY:

Silurian, Permian sediments: Woolomin Group and Permian in the Drake district. Granites and granite porphyry. Minor

remnants of Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION:

1500

RELIEF:

180 - 365

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal river floodplains and minor floodplain landforms, coastal dunes, and swamplands, deep gorges and scarps, and

dissected tableland remnants

BOUNDARIES:

The Clarence-Morton basin to the east; the Demon Block fault to the west. Lofty corresponds closely to structural units of the region and hence is physiographic in nature.

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Aust 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Structural map of

the New England Fold Belt - northern N.S.W.

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, Dec 1985

NAME: NUMBER: SNOWY

STYLE:

155

BASIC FORM:

Erosional Mountains

SOILS:

Alpine humus soils; Krasnozems, Red podzolics, Solodized

solonetz and solodic soils (Um7.11, Gn4.31, Dr2.21, Um5.5,

Dy3.41)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

KK1, Mh5, Pb4, Tb1, Mk3, Mk4, VA10

DESCRIPTION:

Mountainous country with steep slopes, 'V' shaped valleys, narrow stream valleys with small floodplains. Small open

flats and valley plains at highest elevations.

REGOLITH:

Deeply weathered granite, together with exposed granite masses. Acid duplex soils with red clay at depth, friable porous earths, old river terraces. Red and black plastic and cracking clay soils (derived from basalt). Gravel and pebble-rich soil derived from weathered Permian glacial

deposits. Colluvial deposits on steeper slopes

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sediments of Melbourne trough, Omeo trough and NE metamorphic complex. Quaternary alluvial fan deposits,

alluvial sand, silt and gravels

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

2228 300+

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Plateau remnants: Baw Baw, Dargo, Bogong etc. Dissected topography with soft layers giving rise to lower relief, dip-scarp slopes, hogbacks. Undulating to hilly terrain, with landslips on steeper slopes.

BOUNDARIES:

Boundaries equate with the position of the eastern side of the Divide (200m contour). North and north-east slopes of the Divide. Also defined with the aid of CZCS imagery patterns, and physiographic guidelines from topographic

maps as well as soil map units

REFERENCES:

Douglas and Fergusson (1976), Craig (1984) Langford-Smith (1958

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Bega, Tallangatta 1: 250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Journal of the

Soil Conservation Service, 15, 66-69

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

COOGEE LAKE

NUMBER:

156

STYLE:

Erosional Plains

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.41). Crusty, loamy soils with red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.32). Red

earths (Gn 2.13). Various brown cracking clays (Ug 5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

F5; Nb33,34; Mx36,37; MM71

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with some pediments flanking strongly rolling hills

and ridges

REGOLITH:

Stony pavements, shallow sand drifts, surface gravels

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic (Adelaidean + Lower Proterozoic) basement: sandstone, siltstone, shale, some tillite, limestone. Cambro-Ordovician sandstone, siltstone, chert. Middle-Upper Palaeozoic clastic sediments. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt,

clay and gravel

ELEVATION:

170-347 m

RELIEF:

20-150 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Lakes, claypans linear dunes; outwash alluvial fans dry

broad alluvial channels

BOUNDARIES:

In part, relate to soil map units and physiographic

boundaries together with CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill, Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: ILLAWARRA

NUMBER: 157

STYLE: Depositional/Erosional

BASIC FORM: Coastal Lowlands

SOILS: Loams and mottled yellow clayey subsoils; Brown Friable

earths; Yellow leached earths. Friable loamy earths. Red

earths, Prairie soils. (Gn 3.2; Gn 2.14; Um 6.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Tb38; Gb4; Me1,2; Mb5

DESCRIPTION: Coastal lowlands bounded in the west by the Great

Escarpment. Steep colluvial slump slopes occur beneath the scarp. Lowlands of steep hilly country with incised stream

valleys. Large river terraces on coast

Ferricrete in lower Shoalhaven Valley (Young, 1978). REGOLITH:

> Alluvial plains in lowland swamps, dune sand, silt and clay Colluvial deposits associated (mud) deposits in lowlands. with structural benches. Some red and black plastic clay

soils associated with weathering basalts

GEOLOGY: Permian - upper marine series and coal measures of Sydney

Basin. Triassic continental facies of Sydney Basin. Quaternary beach and aeolian sands. Isolated Tertiary

basalt.

686 m **ELEVATION:** RELIEF: 6 to 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Steep sided tributary valleys in the Shoalhaven catchment,

> minor terraces and floodplains. Coastal dunes and barrier system, lowland coastal swamps. Scree slopes and structural benches associated with horizontal beds of the

Sydney Basin and the Escarpment

BOUNDARIES: Great Escarpment to the west; Pacific Ocean to the east;

> Port Hacking to the north; northern end of Budawang Range to the south. Physiographic units are primary determinants, some influence of soil map units and CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES: Young (1978) Sydney 1:1 m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Wollongong 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Soils and

Land Use Series No 38

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

YORKE PENINSULA

NUMBER:

158

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating lowland

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22). Calcareous sands (Uc 1.11). Friable loamy soils (Um 6.24). Sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 5.43). Highly calcareous loamy earths (Gc 1.12). Amorphous loams (Um 5.41). Red

duplex (Dr 2.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD2; A2,3; Gg2; Ya23; Lb3; F1; O11

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating lowland of folded crystalline and metamorphic rocks; cover of calcrete and stabilized NW-SE longitudinal

dunes

REGOLITH:

Calcrete cover, dune sand; lunettes rich in gypsum, clay

and silt; evaporites (gypsum and halite). Alunite

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proterozoic metamorphic rocks. Carpentarian granite, acid volcanics and pyroclastics. Cambrian sandstone, siltstone, shale, dolomite, limestone, conglomerate. Permian sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate, tillite. Tertiary marine and lacustrine limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; terrestrial limestone, minor sand

and clay

ELEVATION:

40-80 m

RELIEF:

0-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal dunes, salt lakes in south; coastal landforms

Physiographic unit with soil map unit boundary limiting

unit to NE

REFERENCES:

BOUNDARIES:

Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Port Augusta 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MT LOFTY RANGES

NUMBER:

159

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hilly terrain

SOILS:

Hard setting loams with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.23, 2.22); Highly calcareous loamy earths (Gc 1.12); Hard setting loams with mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Dy 3.42, 3.22, Dy 3.61); Coherent sandy soils (Uc 6.11);

Cracking clays (Ug 5.2).

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

03; Lb6; Ub5; Ya23; D1; Ua1; Tc1,2,3; Td2; CC6; Q1

DESCRIPTION:

Hills and valleys; alternating subparallel hilly ridges and valleys with a general N-S trend in north. In south, hilly

dissected tableland

REGOLITH:

Dissected lateritized surface in south

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic basement sediments, volcanics, tillites granite. Palaeozoic sediments, glacials all strongly folded

with Kanmantoo fold belt

ELEVATION:

0 - 932

RELIEF:

<5-300

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Colluvial and alluvial fans, hogback and cuesta ridges;

intermontane plains, alluvial terraces

BOUNDARIES:

In part, determined by physiographic and soil criteria.

Some influence from CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Adelaide 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

MC, GT, Jan 1986

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME:

BASS HILLS

NUMBER:

160

STYLE:

Erosional Hilly to mountainous country

BASIC FORM:

Friable porous earths, and loamy soils

SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Mountainous country with steep hill slopes dissected by narrow, incised, stream valleys; with rounded hills as foothills dissected by small, often swampy stream valleys

REGOLITH:

Mostly alluvial: sand, silt, clay and some gravel

GEOLOGY:

Minor Lower Devonian sediments. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Tertiary basalt with minor

acid volcanics

ELEVATION:

180-586 m

RELIEF:

100-400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor steep sided valleys and small stream terraces

BOUNDARIES:

Generally follows major soil map unit boundary but are

essentially physiographic

REFERENCES:

Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m

COMMENTS:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMPILER:

NAME: ABERCROMBIE

NUMBER: 161

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Steep hilly to undulating country

SOILS: Red earths (Gn 2.15). Yellow earths (2.24). Hard setting

loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Dy 3.41, 42). Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.21). Friable loamy soil with brown clayey subsoil (Db

3.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mu5,6; Mr3,2,4; Tb25; Pb11; Ub39; RR2

DESCRIPTION: Steep hilly to undulating country south of Macquarie Range.

Includes much of the catchment of the Abercrombie River

REGOLITH: Kaolinised bedrock; commercial quality clays; alluvial

terraces; colluvial fans

GEOLOGY: Ordovician-Silurian sediments and metasediments. Silurian

sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone,; acid volcancis. Tertiary basalt, possibly minor acid volcanics. Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sediments and metasediments

ELEVATION: 500-1214 m

RELIEF: 500 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Steep gorges; interlocking spurs, river terraces

BOUNDARIES: Related to combination of soil map unit boundaries and

physiographic boundaries; Some assistance from CZCS imagery

patterns

REFERENCES: Markham & Basden (1974), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Australia 1:2.5 m

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: LOWER MURRAY

NUMBER: 162

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Floodplain and meander tract

SOILS: Cracking clays (Ug5.2), brown sands (Uc 5.13, Uc 5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: II1

DESCRIPTION: Floodplain and channel of Lower Murray River. Floodplains.

terraces, residual islands, lakes

REGOLITH: Mainly alluvium: sand, silt and clay. Point bar, shoal,

backswamp, splay and lake deposits, and gravel

GEOLOGY: Cainozoic aeolian and residual sand; alluvial, colluvial

and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Terrestrial

limestone, and minor sand and clay

ELEVATION: 0-100 m RELIEF: <10 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Seasonal swamps, levees; meanders, meander-loops, and a

range of associated fluvial landforms. Lakes

BOUNDARIES: Channel tract of present river course

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Adelaide 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

LOWER DARLING NAME:

NUMBER: 163

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain and meander tract

Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 5.25). Crusty loamy soils with red SOILS:

clayey subsoil (Dr 1.13). Red earths (Gn 2.13). Brown

calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Nb4; CC19; II1; Na3; Mx1; DD3

DESCRIPTION: Flat to gently undulating floodplain and channel tract of

the Darling River, anabranches and associated lakes

REGOLITH: Alluvial sand, silt, clay and gravel. A variety of

associated fluvial deposits associated with channels and

immediate surrounds

GEOLOGY: Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian

and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and

lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel

ELEVATION: <160 m RELIEF: <20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Various floodplain landforms and lakes of the Menindee

System; claypans seasonal swamps

BOUNDARIES: The present meander tract of the Darling River and Great

Anabranch, follows closely the soil map unit boundaries.

Some influence from CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Adelaide, Broken Hill, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: PACKSADDLE

NUMBER: 164

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22). Crusty loamy soil with

red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.13; 33). Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11). Red earths (Gn 2.13).

Various cracking clays (Ug 5.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DD24,25; Na4; BB1; Mx34, 38; MM70,69,71; Nb34

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with longitudinal sand dunes and clay pans or low

sand rises. Some through drainage ways, particularly in the

REGOLITH: Dune sand; sheet sand; outwash from broad alluvial channels GEOLOGY:

Minor Ordovician sediments and metasediments. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Minor Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and

gravel; aeolian and residual quartz sand

ELEVATION: 200 m RELIEF: <20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low sand ridges and longitudinal sand dunes with 'Y' forks

towards southwest and south; interdune claypans and swampy

regions; playas; lunettes on southwest side of lakes

BOUNDARIES: Combination of soil map units, CZCS imagery pattern and

physiography

REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

LAKE DENMAN 165

NUMBER:

Erosional/depositional

STYLE: BASIC FORM:

Red earths (Gn 2.11, 12). Crusty loamy soils with red SOILS:

clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33). Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 5.25,

5.28)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My1; Mx1; CC19; Nb4; II1

DESCRIPTION:

Flat floodplain located between Paroo and Darling Rivers, northwest of their junction. Isolated hills forming an extension of the Thoolabool Range limits the SE side of the Areas exhibits an internal drainage arrangement to

numerous ephemeral lakes and nearby claypans

REGOLITH:

Alluvial sand, silt and some gravel, clay deposits, halite and some gypsum, thick soil deposits of \black soil \

affinity

GEOLOGY:

Minor Palaeozoic basement. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt clay and gravel. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

<162 m <10 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Playas, claypans and lakes, isolated hills at edge of unit

in southeast

BOUNDARIES:

Related to soil map units and CZCS imagery patterns and minimally to physiographic boundaries (mostly Rivers and overflow channels)

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bourke 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

COORONG PLAIN

NUMBER:

166

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal barrier, lagoons and limestone dunes

SOILS:

Sandy soil with mottled yellow clayey subsoils, beach sand

soils, friable loamy soils. (Uc 2.21, 2.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ya6; Ya12; Ya11,18; Ca1; Ag4

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating lands of limestone dunes and sandhills. Coastal barrier lagoons. Exposed limestone substrata (calcrete) in some places. Lakes Alexandria and Albert at the outflow of

the Murray River

REGOLITH:

Sand, silt and clay in lowland coastal swamps, some dune

sands on the edge of Little and Big Desert regions

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary marine sandstone, siltstone and mudstone. Ordovician granites. Quaternary aeolian and residual quartz sands. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone and limestone. Quaternary colluvial, alluvial and lacustrine

sand, silt clay and gravel

ELEVATION:

0-100 m

RELIEF:

6 to 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Dunes; lowland swamps; riverfloodplains and associated

landforms; many small low sand ridges

BOUNDARIES:

Little and Big Desert regions to the northeast and east; Southern Ocean to the southwest; Glenelg River to the south

(in part), essentially soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Adelaide, Hamilton 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

URBENVILLE

NUMBER:

167

STYLE:

BASIC FORM:

Erosional

Hilly terrain

Red earths (Gn 2.14). Hard setting loamy soils with mottled SOILS:

yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 3.41). Red friable porous earths (Gn 4.41, 4.42). Friable loamy soil with brown clayey subsoil (Db 3.12). Hard setting loamy soil with red clayey

subsoil (Dr 2.42). Grey cracking clay (Ug 5.16)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MW1; Tb62; Mg26; Rh9; Qd5; M12; Kfh

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to undulating range crests flanked by hilly to steep

hilly narrow creek and river floodplains

REGOLITH:

Weathered volcanics; colluvial fans; alluvial sand. silt.

clay and minor gravel:

GEOLOGY:

Jurassic sandstone, mudstone, siltstone. Jurassic-Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary basalt,

minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION:

200-1359 m

RELIEF:

20-400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Scattered high peaks; steep \V\ shaped valleys; creek and river floodplains and minor terraces. Some landslide scars

on steeper slopes

BOUNDARIES:

Includes portions of the Richmond and MacPherson Ranges immediately west of Mount Warning. In part, physiographic with contribution from soil map units and CZCS imagery

patterns

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969) Armidale 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

OTHER SOURCES: COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CROOKWELL

NUMBER:

168

STYLE:

Erosional/Volcanic

BASIC FORM:

Undulating landscape of low relief

SOILS:

Red Earths. Hard setting loams and mottled yellow clayey subsoils. Yellow earths. (Gn 2.14, 2.15, 2.25, 2.24, 2.35;

various Dy and Dr soils)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mn5; Tb25; Mr4

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to low hilly terrain with low swampy flats. Some areas have basaltic knolls and ridges (some have

scarps).

REGOLITH:

Alluvial, colluvial, and red plastic clay rich soils derived from basalt. Laterite, bauxite and silcrete (greybilly). Sand, gravel and clay. Areas of grus, associated

with weathered granites.

GEOLOGY:

Ordovician slate, siltstone, chert, phyllite, sandstone, conglomerate. Silurian acid volcanics, granites, siltstones, shales, sandstones, limestone. Devonian-Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite and schist. Tertiary basalt. Cainozoic

mudstones and unconsolidated sediments

ELEVATION:

1034 m-900 m

RELIEF:

30-90 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small valleys; rolling hills; minor river flats and

terraces

BOUNDARIES:

Mt. Wayo to the south; Black Bett Mountain and related ridges to the north. Region is between the Abercrombie,

Crookwell-Lachlan and Wollondilly Rivers

REFERENCES:

Carter & Branagan in Packham (1969), Young (1981)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m Goulburn 1:250 000 CZCS Imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: TWEED 169 NUMBER:

STYLE: Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM: Hilly country

SOILS: Deep yellow-grey cracking clay (Ug 5.28). Leached yellow

loamy soil (Um 2.1). Yellow friable earth (Gn 3.5, 3.7, 3.8). Hard setting loamy soil with red clayey subsoil (Dr 2.21). Dark friable porous earth (Gn 4.41). Red friable porous earth (Gn 4.11). Friable loamy grey clayey subsoil (Dg 4.41). Siliceous sand (Uc 1.2). Yellow mottled duplex

soils (Dy 3.41)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: LL6; Fu2; Mf5; Pb19; M13; Mg24,25,27;NY1,2,3; B9; Tb62,64

DESCRIPTION: Hilly to steep hilly country with narrow valleys along the

streams. River floodplains and coastal plains along coast.

REGOLITH: Minor only

GEOLOGY: Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sediments. Triassic acid

and intermediate volcanics, and pyroclastics, sediments.

Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, shale. Tertiary basalt.

ELEVATION: 0-1156 m RELIEF: <20-900 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Ancient crater remnants of very large volcanic complex

BOUNDARIES: Physiographic boundaries in the vicinity of Mt Lamington

REFERENCES: Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Armidale, Brisbane 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: BLUE MOUNTAINS

NUMBER: 170

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Dissected sandstone plateau

Yellow leached Earths. Red friable porous earths. Hard SOILS:

setting loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoil.

Friable loamy soils (Gn2.74,2.34, Um 6.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mg2; Mg20; Tb35; Gb6

DESCRIPTION: Dissected sandstone plateau of moderate to strong relief

> with sandstone pillars, ledges, and slabs - level to undulating ridges, irregularly benched slopes, steep

ridges, cliffs, conyons and narrow sandy valleys

REGOLITH: Ironstone gravel in soil on plateau surface remnants.

> Sandy soils. Sand, silt and clay rich alluvium and

colluvium

GEOLOGY: Hawkesbury sandstone (massive quartz sandstone) overlying

Narabeen Group (sandstone, conglomerate, siltstone), both

Triassic . Overlie Permian Illawarra Coal Measures.

ELEVATION: Plateau surface 900 to 1200 m

RELIEF: Over 350 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Structural benches; minor river flats and terraces; small

alluvial plains and minor floodplain landforms; cliffs

BOUNDARIES: Nepean River and Emu Plains to the east; Hunter Valley to

the north; Dividing Range-West, Mt.Lindsay-Mt Wanganderry

to the south. Primarily soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES: Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Sydney, Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Wollongong, Sydney, Singleton 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Soil and

Land Use Series No 38, CSIRO Land Research Series No 8

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

CUMBERLAND

NUMBER:

171

STYLE:

Erosional Hilly basin

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils and red subsoils. Hard setting

loamy with yellow clayey subsoil. Red Podzolic. (Dr 2.21,

Dy 3.41,3.42 , Dy 2.61)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Pb12,13; Sp1; X9; Mb2; Tb35

DESCRIPTION:

Gently rolling, rounded hilly and steep hilly country in a large basin. Ridge and valley country of gently undulating ridge tops and steep side slopes; often with slumping in the south. More gently rolling country with some sleep slopes and broad valleys in centre and north. Gently

undulating plain in north-west corner

REGOLITH:

Ironstone gravels occur in soils or as a surface cover. Slump deposits on steep slopes. Colluvium, alluvium: sand,

stump deposits on steep stopes. Colluvium, alluvi

silt, clay and gravels

GEOLOGY:

Triassic shale and lithic sandstone of the Wianamatta

Group, Sydney Basin

ELEVATION:

0-500 m

RELIEF:

30 to 90 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

River terraces, floodplains, levees, minor floodplain

landforms

BOUNDARIES:

Nepean River, Lapstone Monocline to west; isolated portions of Sydney Basin sediments forming hills to north - Terry Hills, Mt Coolah, Hornsby Plateau. Wooranora Plateau to

S.E. Soil map units are prime boundary determinants

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Sydney 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Sydney, Wollongong 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Soils & Land

Use Series No 38

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

BARRIER RANGES

NUMBER:

172

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Ranges and undulating lowlands

SOILS:

Brown cracking clays. Amorphous loamy soils. Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils, sporadically leached A2

horizon. (Um 5.41, 5.11, 1.43; Uc 1.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

F5; Nb34; MM71; Nb33

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges of hills with small valley plains. Prominant strike

ridges surrouned by extensive clay plains

REGOLITH:

Alluvium Colluvium: sand, silt and clays. Gypsum clays, aeolian sands, gypsum, kunkar, silcrete (grey-billy), and

ferruginous and aluminous duricrusts

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proterozoic quartzite, gneiss, schist, amphiboltie of Broken Hill Block. Proterozoic (Adelaidian) tillite, limestone, sandstone, siltstone and shale. Cretaceous shale, siltstone, limestone. Quaternary aeolian and residual quartz sand; sand, silt, clay and gravel - colluvial

alluvial, lacustrine and marine

ELEVATION:

270-475 m

RELIEF:

90-180 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Elongate group of low hills

BOUNDARIES:

Mundi Mundi Plain to the west. The Gap, The Bluff, Mt Gairdner to the east. Pine Creek to the south. Nundooka to

the north (Darling-Murray Plains)

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill, Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MACQUARIE RANGE

NUMBER:

173

STYLE:

Erosional Hilly range

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Red and yellow earths. Hard setting loamy soil with mottled

yellow clayey subsoil. (Gn 2.14, 2.24, 2.44)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mu8; Mn12; Mr2; Tb34

DESCRIPTION:

REGOLITH:

Strongly undulating to hilly country with some lower relief on ridge crests; some basaltic knolls and ridges . In

west, broken by hilly ranges and steep valley- side slopes Alluvium, colluvium: sand, silt, clay and gravel. Red

highly plastic clay soils associated with weathering basalts. Grus associated with weathering granites. Kaolin

deposits (Trunkey area)

GEOLOGY: Ordovician slate, sandstone, limestone, siltstone, cong-

lomerate, chert, phyllite. Ordovician basic and intermediate volcanics. Silurian granites, acid volcanics. Lower Devonian granites, sandtone, siltstone, shale, and acid and intermediate volcanics. Devonian-Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist.

Carboniferous granites. Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION:

1000-1400 m

RELIEF:

30-180 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low rolling hills, minor valley floodplains and floodplain

landforms, minor terraces; structural benches and steep

gorges

BOUNDARIES:

Watershed of Abercrombie River to the south. Mid-slopes of Macquarie River catchment to the north. Mt Davidson to Kanangra Walls to the east and south east. Soil map units are a major boundary determinant, physiographic units and

CZCS imagery pattern are of lesser influence

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969); Baker and Uren (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra, Sydney 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Bathurst, Goulburn 1:2 50 000, Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: BATHURST NUMBER: 174

STYLE: Erosional Rugged ranges

SOILS: Red earths. Friable loamy soils. Duplex hard setting loamy

soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils. Hard setting

loams with red clayey subsoils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mw12; Mu8; Gb7; Qb12; Tb30; Qb6; Qb16

DESCRIPTION: Rugged ranges in a series of stepped undulating to hilly

ridges with steep sided slopes. Steep slopes above entrenched steams with very narrow floodplains. Undulating to hilly ridge tops (plateau tracts) have perched seasonally swampy basins and/or valleys. Rolling to step hilly country in north and south with some steep scarps

REGOLITH: Kaolin deposits in Mullions Range Volcanics. Alluvial clay,

sand and gravel below basalts of Mt Panorama. Kaolinized granite overlian by silcrete and basalt. Strongly weathered Devonian shales (3 m), mottled red and grey slates, high grade Kaolin in the Mudgee-Ulan area. Kaolin filled palaeodrainage systems in Gulgong district - 8 m of

clay; weathering to 35 m

GEOLOGY: Ordovician intermediate and basic volcanics. Silurian acid

volcanics, siltstone, sandstone, shale, limestone and granites. Lower Devonian sandstone siltstone, shale and limestone. Upper Devonian-Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, chert, shale, limestone, phyllite and schist. Upper Carboniferous acid volcanics, granites. Permian siltstone, sandstone, mudstone, limestone, tillite. Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary basalt.

ELEVATION: 500-1072 m RELIEF: 6 to 365 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Isolated Hills above rolling (undulating) hills

BOUNDARIES: Macquarie Range to south; Mt Bangalor to the north;

Dividing Range to the northeast and east

REFERENCES: Packham (1969), Baker and Uren, (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: WALDONA WELL

NUMBER: 175

STYLE: Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM: Dunefield

SOILS: Red earths (Gn 2.12). Earthy red sand (Uc 5.21). Siliceous

sands (Uc 1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My116; AB80; B61

DESCRIPTION: An undulating plain with parallel dunes, numerous small

claypans and low rises with silcrete gibbers

REGOLITH: Silcrete gibbers on rises, dune and sheet sands; clay;

evaporites (halite, gypsum)

GEOLOGY: Minor Lower Proterozoic metamorphics in Gawler Block.

Cambro-Carboniferous sediments of Officer Basin. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, limestone. Cainozoic sandstone, siltstone, limestone; aeolian and residual quartz sand; ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous

duricrusts

ELEVATION: 200 m RELIEF: <6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: East-west oriented sand dunes; low rises and claypans, salt

lakes. Dunes fork toward west; low rises with duricrust

BOUNDARIES: Combination of soil map units, physiographic boundaries and

CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Nullarbor, Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: GREAT VICTORIA 2

NUMBER: 176

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Dunefield

SOILS: Red earthy sands (Uc 5.21). Siliceous sands (Uc 1.23). Red

earths on duricrusted rises (Gn 2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B42; AB66; My117

DESCRIPTION: An extensive dunefield with duricrusted rises and shallow

depressions

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand, ferricrete, calcrete, silcrete on low rises;

sheet sands

GEOLOGY: Cambro-Permian Officer Basin sediments: sandstone,

limestone, siltstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands. Permian tillites and shales. Minor Archean granite. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts. Quaternary gypsum, halite, minor sand

and clay

ELEVATION: 220 m RELIEF: 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low duricrusted rises, linear dunes; broad shallow

depressions

BOUNDARIES: Combination of soil map units and CZCS imagery patterns

together with various physiographic boundaries

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Nullarbor, Tarcoola, Oodnadatta, Petermann Range 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: NUMBER: HUNTER 177

STYLE:

Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Lowlands of the Hunter with mountains in the north

SOILS:

Soloths, Chernozems, Lithosols, Red Brown Earths. Loamy soils and with mottled yellow clayey subsoil. (Um 4; Dy

3.42; Dr 2.33; Dy 3.41; Um 6.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ta7; LL4; Oc10; Lkb48

DESCRIPTION:

Two types of country present. Through the centre of the Hunter valley a belt of unduating to gently hilly lowlands has developed on weak sedimentry rocks. Large alluvial flats extend along the Hunter. To the north is a tract of mountainous country developed on resistant sedimentary

rocks

REGOLITH:

Ironstone gravel in soils of lowlands. Large alluvial flats along Hunter River. Transported kaolin derived from Carbonifeous Volcanics - intense red ironstained, grey clay

and fine sand in Swan Bay area

GEOLOGY:

Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale. Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Upper Carboniferous acid volcanics, sandstone, mudstone, siltstone. Permian sandstone, siltstone, tillite, mudstone, limestone; acid, intermediate, minor basic volcanics and pyroclastics and granites. Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary

basalt, minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION:

0-1000 m

RELIEF:

6 to 90 m for lowlands, 300 m plus for northern mountains Alluvial flats of Hunter River. Alluvial fans and

structural benches along Sydney Basin boundary edges

BOUNDARIES:

Barington Tops to the north; Mt Wambo west, watershed of

Hunter valley, Dividing Range to the northwest

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Baker and Uren, (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Sydney, Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Singleton, Newcastle, Tamworth 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

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COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: TALLARINGA WELL

NUMBER: 178

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Palaeodrainage network SOILS: Red earths (Gn 2.12) SOILS ASSOCIATION: My116, 117; My152

DESCRIPTION: Large palaeodrainage network within unit 117, draining to

the south

REGOLITH: Dune sand; sheet sands; clay deposits, silts; evaporites

(gypsum and halite)

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual sand; ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts. Quaternary: gypsum, halite and

minor sand and clay

ELEVATION: <200 m RELIEF: <30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Linear dunes; lakes; clay pans BOUNDARIES: Defined by CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Tarcoola 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

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NAME: LAKE MAURICE

NUMBER: 179

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22, 1.12). Shallow red sands

(Uc 5.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB80, DD30

DESCRIPTION: Plains with occasional low scarps. Some sand dunes low

calcrete rises. Calcrete sometimes, at depth of <30 cm

REGOLITH: Calcrete beneath surface sands. Aeolian dune sands

GEOLOGY: Cambro-Permian sandstone, siltstone, limestone (Officer

Basin). Permian sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate, tillite. Cainozoic calcrete; minor aeolian and residual quartz sands; minor sand, silt and clay. Quatarnary

evaporites (gypsum and halite)

ELEVATION: <200 m RELIEF: <30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Lakes, claypans, low ridges, low scarps, calcrete rises;

linear sand dunes trending northeast-southwest

BOUNDARIES: Influenced in part by soil map units combined with edges of

dunefields

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Nullarbor Plain 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NULLARBOR

NUMBER:

180

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Karst plain

SOILS:

Shallow loamy calcareous soils (Um 5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BB35, 40, 34

DESCRIPTION:

Covered karst plain of flat-lying limestone with closed

depressions and caves; continuous cliff margin on south. Traces of surface drainage occasionally form elongated

chains of dry lakes

REGOLITH:

Pliocene aeolianites, Ripon Calcrete, Loveday soil in aeolian sand sheets. Dune sand forms a thin veneer

infilling sink holes in Nullarbor Limestone

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous Oofficer Basin sediments: sandstone, siltstone, limestone. Tertiary marine limestone, some calcrete. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, minor alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel.

Minor Middle Proterozoic granite

ELEVATION:

200 m

RELIEF:

< 5 m; 100 m at coastal marine cliffs</pre>

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Broad shallow depressions; serpentine lakes; claypans; sinkholes; caves; dolines, Rockholes with water in some

cases. Marine cliffs

BOUNDARIES:

To the south the edge of the Hampton Tableland indicates the boundary. To the north the combination of soil map units, units from Laut & others (1977) and AVHRR imagery

patterns have been used to determine the boundary

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Nullarbor, Kalgoorlie, Esperance 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

AVHRR imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CARLISLE

NUMBER:

181

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22). Red earthy sands (Uc 5.21). Loamy calcareous soils (Um 5.11). Calcareous siliceous loamy soils (Um 1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD34; AB80,81,82,83; BB38; SV13

DESCRIPTION:

Sandstone plain with shallow closed depression, playas. Closed depression up to 30 m deep and 4 km across containing claypans. Northern margin characterised by numerous saline playas near palaeodrainage discharge points

REGOLITH:

Level surface with crusted white halite, capping brine saturated silty clay, rich in authigenic gypsum crystals up to 3-4 cm long. Some dune sand but rare

GEOLOGY:

Middle Proterozoic Officer Basin sediments: quartzites, shale, chert, dolomite. Permian and Cretaceous Officer Basin sediments. Tertiary marine sandstone, siltatone, mudstone, limestone. Cainozoic aeclian and residual quartz sands. Quaternary gypsum, halite and minor sand, silt and clay

ELEVATION:

200-500 m

RELIEF:

<5 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Rare linear dunes, saline playas claypans, lakes, broad shallow depressions

BOUNDARIES:

Based on a combination of soil map units, extent of the Great Victoria Desert dunefield, and map units of Laut & others (1977)

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977), Jackson & van de Graaff (1981)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Nullarbor, Kalgoorlie 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

WARRUMBUNGLE

NUMBER:

182

STYLE:

Volcanics Volcanic

BASIC FORM:

Red sandy loam, red and black clays, cracking clays

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Kb4

DESCRIPTION:

Rugged eroded volcanic pile indicating planeze forms at

interfluves. Deeply dissected, eroded plugs, rare dykes.

Shallow soils at higher altitudes

REGOLITH:

Soft highly weathered volcanic rocks, clay soils, silty clay, alluvial deposits, clay, sandy-clay gravel and lignite below basalts. Silcrete associated with basalt (indurated by contact with basalt). High level fluvial gravels indicating palaeodrainage of ancestral Castlereagh

River

GEOLOGY:

Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary basalt, minor acid volcanics, alkaline lavas of Warrumbungle volcano. Volcanic pile comprises lava flows and interbedded pyroclastics. Trachyte, and trachytic breccias

near the trachyte intrusions, are common

ELEVATION:

500-1205 m 50-200 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Eroded dyke walls; minor stream valleys and alluvial

deposits, volcanic neck remnants (plugs), flows, domes.

Steep valleys exposing sections through volcanic pile

BOUNDARIES:

Following 500 m contour. Isolates high country on general

volcanic pile

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969); Kenny (1963); Jensen (1907), (1906)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Bourke 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soisl

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GREAT VICTORIA 1

NUMBER:

183

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional/Depositional Sandplains of dunefields

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22). Earthy red sands

(Uc 5.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD31; AB48; AB80,83

DESCRIPTION:

Aeolian sandplains and dunes. Sandsheets with ripples and small dunes are common; dunes are present throughout and

rare draas are known. Sand dunes are longitudinal

REGOLITH:

Dune sand; sheet sand; evaporites (gypsum and halite); some siliceous, aluminous, and ferruginous duricrusts windowed

in sand sheets

GEOLOGY:

Minor Cambrian basic volcanics of Officer Basin. Cambro-Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, limestone, conglomerate (Officer Basin). Permian sandstone, siltstone, shale, tillite, limestone (Officer Basin). Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone (Officer Basin). Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, ferruginous, aluminous

and siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION:

200-500 m

RELIEF:

Sand dunes 3 to 30 m high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Linear dunes; rare draas; sandsheets, low dune ridges,

claypans; playas

BOUNDARIES:

In part, based on data from Officer Basin physiographic map (Jackson & van de Graaff), some influence from Laut &

others (1977)

REFERENCES:

Jackson & van de Graaff (1981), Laut & others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Nullarbor, Kalgoorlie, Wiluna 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986 NAME: NUMBER: ROE 184

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal Plain

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22). Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11). Calcareous sand (Uc

1.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD35; BB41; A2

DESCRIPTION:

Coastal plain with extensive dunes; some caves and

sinkholes

REGOLITH: GEOLOGY:

Calcareous soils; calcareous sand, dune sands (calcareous) Marine and some lacustrine limestone over Cretaceous Officer Basin sediments. Cainozoic aeolian and residual

quartz sand. Quaternary calcareous sand, and limestone

(coastal aeolian deposits)

ELEVATION:

0-120 m

RELIEF:

60-70 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Linear and 'Y' shaped sand dunes, some curved into crescent-like shapes (concave face to west). Beaches,

rockholes, caves; minor karst features

BOUNDARIES:

Topographic limit is the scarp separating the Roe plain from the Hampton tableland. This also relates closley to soil map unit boundaries. The southern limit is the ocean

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Nullarbor, Eyre 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: BARRINGTON

NUMBER: 185 STYLE: Volcanic

BASIC FORM: Isolated steep range with high summit plateau

SOILS: Organic loamy soils. Leached friable earths. Xanthozems.

Skeletal fine textured humic soils (stone lines common).

(Gn 3.42; Um 7.11; Gn 3.54, 3.64, 3.74, 3.84)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: KK3; Mf4

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plateau on Tertiary basalt overlying folded

Palaeozoic rocks. Permian intrusives form part of plateau.

High relief and rugged at southern edge

REGOLITH: Basalt scree; stony skeletal soils, exposed sub-basaltic

gravels. Thick colluvial deposits over granites; thin colluvial deposits over basalt. Thin extensive basalt

derived colluvium on outer edges of benches.

GEOLOGY: Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale. Upper Devonian-

Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, schist, phyllite. Upper Carboniferous acid volcanics, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Permian acid and intermediate volcanics, minor basic volcanics, pyroclastics, 'ranites, sandstone, tillite, limestone. Tertiary basalt and minor acid volcanics - age 52-53 Ma

(Wellman & McDougall, 1974)

ELEVATION: 200-1560 m RELIEF: 180-365 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Benches resulting from multiple basalt flows and subsequent

stripping to Palaeozoic basement sediments, Barrington Tops plateau-isolated parts of Mt Royal Range. Disturbed ground

resulting from landslides

BOUNDARIES: Mid slopes of Hunter Valley to the south-southeast.

Gloucester River to the east. Hunter River upper reaches

and tributaries to the north-northwest

REFERENCES: Pain (1983); Wellman & McDougall (1974)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Sydney 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Singleton Tamworth, Hastings 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m
OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 8

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

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NUMBER: STYLE:

186

BASIC FORM:

Depositional Sand plain

SOILS:

Earthy red sand soils (Uc 5.21, Ks-Uc 5.21). Brown

calcareous earths (Gc 1.22, 1.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB83; DD34; AB32; AY4

DESCRIPTION:

Sand-blanketted, gently undulating plateau

REGOLITH:

Blanket of aeolian sand. Clay and silt. Evaporites: gypsum and halite. Silcrete and ferruginous capping. Lateritised

sediments (Permian). Sandy ironstone gravels

GEOLOGY:

Isolated occurrence of Upper Eocene marine sediments in southwest corner indicating Neale Plateau formed during Late Eocene marine transgression. Isolated Archaean granites. Middle Proterozoic quartzite, shale, chert, dolomite. Cainozoic aeolian and residual sand, ferruginous,

aluminous and siliceous duricrusts.

ELEVATION:

200-500 m <100 m

RELIEF:

Scarp and footslope with alluvial fans; playas; claypans;

linear dunes trending east-west, with forks facing west

BOUNDARIES:

Bounded in north and east by a gently curved scarp, consisting of lateritised Paterson Formation. Truncated by Carlise Plain to south. Primarily physiographic but with

some influence from soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

Van de Graaff & others (1977), Bunting & others (1974);

Jackson & van de Graaff (1981)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Kalgoorlie 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atlas of Australian Soils

OTHER SOURCES: COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

LILIAN CK

NUMBER:

187

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Majorvalleys

SOILS:

Loamy soils of minimal development (Um 1.2). Coherent Sands

(Uc 1.43). Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22). Earthy red

sands (Uc 5.21); Red earths (Gn 2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

SV13; B42,61; DD31; AB48; My112,109; BA21,27

DESCRIPTION:

Major valleys in north to south direction; in the north floored by calcrete with mound and karst topography; in

south containing salt lakes and claypans

REGOLITH:

Sand sheets and dune sands. Evaporites (gypsum, halite),

kopi dunes, clay and silt, outwash sands

GEOLOGY:

Minor Lower Palaeozoic basic volcanics. Cambro-Carboniferous (Officer Basin) sandstone, siltstone, shale. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts. Some Quaternary gypsum,

halite and clay

ELEVATION:

<600 m

RELIEF:

10-100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Longitudinal east-west dune systems; ephemeral lake systems, playas, claypans. Karst and mound topography due

to extensive calcrete development

BOUNDARIES:

Defined by combination of physiographic units, soils and

CZCS imagery patterns and boundaries

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Petermann Ranges, Nullarbor Plain 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

HASTINGS

NUMBER:

188

STYLE:

Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal lowlands

SOILS:

Red friable earths; Grey earths; Calcareous sands; loamy

soils with yellow mottled clayey subsoils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mc3,4; Tb43,7; A9; Ta7

DESCRIPTION:

Broad, flat floodplains of coastal rivers, coastal barriers

and lagoons

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, colluvium; aeolian dune sand; sand silt clay and gravel on fluvial floodplains. Kaolin deposits (South West transported and residual; derived from weathered

granite basement (20 m to 3 m)

GEOLOGY:

Ordovician-Devonian schist, phyllite, sandstone, mudstone. Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale. Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Upper Carboniferous sandstone, mudstone, siltstone. Permian sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, tillite, limestone; ultramafic intrusives. Triassic granites, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Quaternary sand, silt, clay and gravel (alluvial, lacustrine, colluvial, marine). Coastal aeolian dunes

ELEVATION:

0-200 m

RELIEF:

6 to 90 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal lowland alluvial plains; coastal sand dunes; flood plain landforms (various types). Colluvial and alluvial

fans. Range of coastal landforms: platforms etc

BOUNDARIES:

Pacific Ocean to the east; steeper country at lower slopes

at foot of Great Escarpment

REFERENCES:

Baker and Uren (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

BREDBO

NUMBER:

189

STYLE:

Erosional Hilly graben

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Loams with weak horizon development; soils with mottled

clayey subsoils; solodized solonetz, solodic; lithosols

(shallow loamy soils), (Um4.2, Dy3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Fa3. Ub36;

DESCRIPTION:

Hilly corridor of land between the Brindabella and Tinderry Ranges. Some broad valleys with gently undulating surface such as at Michelago. Alluvial flats of the Murrumbidgee

and Umeralla River to the south

REGOLITH:

Koalinitic deep weathering profiles; palaeosols; over 100 m of sediments of the mostly concealed Miocene Lake Bunyan.

Large transported silcrete boulders

GEOLOGY:

Silurian volcanics and volcanoclastics (Colinton Volcanics,

Mt Painter Porphyry)

ELEVATION:

750 - 1147

RELIEF:

90 - 180

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor river valleys and floodplain landforms, undulating

rounded hills with steep, hilly to mountainous terrain at

the edges of the corridor

BOUNDARIES:

Murrumbidgee Fault scarp and Brindabella Ranges to the west Tinderry Range to the east. Boundaries are essentially physiographic, with some influence from both the soil map

units and CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

Pillans (1974), Browne (1972)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Michelago, Cooma 1:100 000, Canberra 1:1 m Canberra, Bega 1:250 000, Michelago 1: 100 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Dec 1985

NAME: TINDERRY NUMBER: 190

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Steep-sided mountain range

SOILS: Loamy soils with mottled yellow subsoil. Brown calcareous

soils (Um5.5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ub34; Mw13; Qb8; FA2

DESCRIPTION: Steep-sided mountain range with narrrow ridges. High

relief, deeply incised stream valleys

REGOLITH: Weathered remnants of Tertiary olivine basalt with clay-

rich, plastic, red and black soils. Isolated pockets of Quaternary sand, silt and clay as well as soils. Weathered granite grus mantles with kaolin rich sandy soil common.

GEOLOGY: Upper Ordovician sediments and meta-sediments. Silurian-

Devonian granite (Tinderry Granite, Michelago Granite,

Sapling Granite). Tertiary basalt.

ELEVATION: 1200 - 1620

RELIEF: 300 +

MINOR LANDFORMS: Series of high peaks 1200 m to 1610 m in central part of

the range to 1198 m at Mt Dowling to the south

BOUNDARIES: Lower valley slopes of the Tinderry Range both to the east

and west

REFERENCES: Costin (1954)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Michelago 1:100 000, Cooma 1:100 000, Canberra & Melbourne

1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Bega, Canberra 1:250 000, Michelago 1:100 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 24

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Dec 1985

NAME: BRAIDWOOD

NUMBER: 191

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Undulating tableland

SOILS: Loamy soils with yellow clayey subsoils; sandy soil with

clayey yellow subsoils; red earths; solodic, soloths, yellow massive earths, podsolics (Dr2.12, 22; Db2.22; Dy

3.61, 82; Gn2.64, 24, 5, 65, 74, 75)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Tb27; Tb22; Ub39; Wd5; Mw13;

DESCRIPTION: Gently undulating tableland with broad shallow valleys.

Soils formed on granite, sediments and volcanics. Hilly

rocky mountainous regions.

REGOLITH: Extensive areas of deeply weathered Tertiary. Soils on

truncated zones of weathered mantle. Colluvial-alluvial

deposits derived from former weathered zones

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic basement composed of Ordovician flysh sequence.

Scattered remnants of Tertiary olivine basalt. Cainozoic cover of: fluvial deposits, quartz sandstone, ferricrete, silcrete, laterite, conglomerate; aeolian, alluvial &

colluvial deposits; gravels, sands, silts & clays

ELEVATION: 760 - 1000 m on the tablelands, 200 in valley floors at

the edge of coastal plains and escarpment junction

RELIEF: 30 - 90 on rolling plains, 400 in dissected valleys near

escarpment

MINOR LANDFORMS: Isolated and rolling hills, rocky rises, alluvial flats,

deeply dissected mountainous regions, steep escarpments,

some lacustrine and undulating lowlands

BOUNDARIES: To the south - eastern slopes of Dividing Range and eastern

side of the Shoalhaven River catchment. To the west the boundary follows the watershed of the Shoalhaven River.

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Bega & Canberra 1:250 000, Araluen 1;100 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 24

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Dec 1985

TALLAGANDA

NUMBER:

192

STYLE:

Erosional

Hilly range

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Red earths, Hard setting loamy soils with yellow mottled clayey subsoil; yellow earths; loams with weak horizon development; organic loamy soils; (solodized solonetz,

solodic) (Dy2.42, 3.32, 3.42,3.82)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MW13, Tb24, Ub33, Mr1, Fa2, KK1;

DESCRIPTION:

Low hilly to rugged hilly range. Gentle to moderately steep

slopes; sometimes rocky

REGOLITH:

Colluvium, resulting from frost shattering and solifluction in higher altitudes in former climatic regime. Deep weathering (100 m) with pallid zones preserved, some

ferricrete and silcrete

GEOLOGY:

Lower Palaeozoic sediments and meta-sediments. Devonian granites. Cainozoic fluvial sediments: sands, silts and

gravels, siltstones and sandstones.

ELEVATION:

900 - 1475

RELIEF:

200 local relief

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Ridge crests, low hilly tracts, rare tors and partly

exposed corestones

BOUNDARIES:

Dividing Range and the eastern slopes to mid-slopes of

parts of the Shoalhaven catchment.

REFERENCES:

Browne (1972) Canberra 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canberra 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 24, Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

CANBERRA

NUMBER:

193

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Rollinghills

SOILS: Loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Dy3.42),

hard setting loamy soils with brown clayey subsoils (Db1.22,.43), loamy soils with A2 horizon (Um4.2), deep

massive red earths (Gn 2.84, 61,15,11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ub31; Mu4; Qb8; Tb25

DESCRIPTION:

Stepped rolling country with scarps, hills and valleys.

Some plains or very gently sloping basins

REGOLITH:

Alluvial - colluvial deposits with rare remnants of Tertiary basalt. Rare ferricrete and silcrete, Tertiary gravels, sand, silt and clay. Some deep weathering with pallid zones exposed in some cases. Up to 6m of kaolin

present near Dalton.

GEOLOGY:

Folded Silurian and Devonian volcanics, sediments including limestone. Strongly folded Ordovician greywackes, slate and sandstone. Tertiary basalt, sand, silt, clay and gravels. Isolated patches of Quaternary gravel, sand, silt and clay.

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

500 **-** 1200 30 **-** 90

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor plains and rolling hilly terrain.

BOUNDARIES:

Brindabella Range forms the SW boundary. Southwest facing slopes of the Crookwell River catchment to the northeast; Mt Daring and associated ridges form the western limit. The boundaries are determined by physiographic features in conjunction with CZCS imagery patterns and some influence from soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

Browne (1972)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canberra & Goulburn 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Explanatory Notes for the Canberra 1:50 000 geological map (BMR), CSIRO Land

Research Series No 24

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

ETTREMA 194

NUMBER: STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected sandstone plateau

SOILS:

Yellow leached earths (Gn2.3 & 2.7), hard setting loamy

soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy3.41), Red

earths (Gn2.1), red-yellow podsolics

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mb5; Tb31; Tb38; Mp1

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected sandstone plateau - \terraced\ ridges with flat to hilly crests and steep slopes, scarps, canyons, rock

walls, pillars, and slabs of sandstone

REGOLITH:

Silcrete on edge of landsystem at Tallong, Bungonia, Windellama and Nerriga (Callender, 1978). Some deposits associated with basalt and indicate a bauxitisation process involving the basalt. Ferricrete and silcrete also accurs

along the Shoalhaven River (Young, 1978).

GEOLOGY:

Upper Devonian Yalwal Group, Permian, Triassic Sydney Basin

rocks, Tertiary basalts, some granitic intrusives.

ELEVATION:

180 - 685

RELIEF:

30 - 180

MINOR LANDFORMS:

River flooodplains and associated minor landforms.

BOUNDARIES:

Generally, the watersheds of the middle Shoalhaven and Kangaroo River systems. To the south, the Budawang Range indicates the limits of the unit. In the north, Mt Carrialoo and the associated ridges form the boundaries.

REFERENCES:

Callender (1978), Young (1978), Browne (1972)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra, Sydney 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Dec 1985

MOSS VALE

NUMBER:

195

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Flat undulating plateau

SOILS:

Brown friable earths (Gn3.21, .22), Brown calcareous earths

(Gc1.12, .22), Red friable porous earths (Gn4.11), Yellow

podsolics (Dy3.41), Red earths (Gn2.14)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Me2: Mw7: Mg19; Me1

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to undulating country with low rises, knolls and ridges, swampy depressions and valleys. Small outliers of the old basaltic plateau, isolated by dissection. Some

steep slopes.

REGOLITH:

Some deep weathering exposing pallid zones. Ferricrete and

silcrete rare

GEOLOGY:

Hawkesbury sandstone, Wianamatta Group, Permian sediments of the Sydney Basin. Tertiary basalt, Quaternary alluvial

sediments.

ELEVATION:

700 - 750 180 - 365

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Ridges with moderate to steep slopes; steep gorges and

steep, wide river valley tracts. Tablelands.

BOUNDARIES:

The Great Escarpment forms the eastern limit of the unit; to the northeast, Mt Lindsay indictes the limit; the eastern slopes of Mt Penang represent the western boundary

REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Craft (1931) Sydney 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Goulburn, Wollongong 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land

Research Series No 24

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

NAME:

SIMPSON SOUTH

NUMBER:

196

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Sandplain

SOILS:

Siliceous sands (Uc1.2), grey cracking clays (Ug5.5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

B43, 0012

DESCRIPTION:

Aeolian dunefield (NNW trending seif dunes), with numerous

claypans

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand, fine lacustrine and alluvial deposits. Probably overlies duricrusts and weathered rock similar to

that found in the Haddon unit

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION:

0 - ?50 Low

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Distinguished from Simpson unit by presence of numerous

claypans

REFERENCES:

Purdie (1984), Twidale (1972), Whitehouse (1963), Bowler

(1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Poolowanna, Pandie Pandie 1:250 000; NE South Australia

1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: ANDREE NUMBER: 197

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Aeolian sandplain

SOILS: Siliceous sands (Uc1.2), grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B51, CC 109

DESCRIPTION: Aeolian sandplain with W to NNW trending seif dunes, and

numerous claypans and alluvial areas (floodout of Cooper

Creek)

REGOLITH: Recent aeolian sand and alluvium, presumably overlying

thick alluvium of the ancestral Cooper Creek, and

duricrusted Tertiary Eyre Formation and older rocks.

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 50?

RELIEF: Low - (moderate?)

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Aeolian units to the west, south and north do not have

significant alluvial areas

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Northwest South Australia 1:1m; Innamincka 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

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NAME: STREZLECKI

NUMBER: 198

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Aeolian sandplain

SOILS: Siliceous sands (Uc1.2), grey cracking clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B51

DESCRIPTION: Aeolian sandplain with N to NNW trending seif dunes, and

small areas of interdune claypans

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand, and mud of claypans, presumably overlying old

floodout deposits of Cooper Creek, and weathered Tertiary

Eyre Formation

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 50? - 100?

RELIEF: Low (- moderate?)

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Area of aeolian sand

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Northwest South Australia 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, GT, Nov 1985

D'AGUILAR

NUMBER:

199

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Mountains

SOILS:

Various

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Fu3 and many others

DESCRIPTION:

Mountain range

REGOLITH:

Minor only (soils, alluvium, colluvium etc)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic metamorphics, Permo-Triassic volcanics intruded by Triassic granites (d'Aguilar Block, Esk Trough, and

Gympie Block)

ELEVATION:

150 - 870

RELIEF:

High - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From Landsat imagery

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Brisbane 1:1m Queensland 1:2.5m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Landsat imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, GT, Nov 1985

NAME:

CADARGA

NUMBER:

200

STYLE:

Erosional Tableland

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Many, including duplex soils (Dy3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Va33 and others

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected mesas and cuestas

REGOLITH:

Minor areas of Cainozoic sand, formed by sheet erosion from topographic highs of pre-existing sediment, with deep

weathering profile or ferruginous material

GEOLOGY:

Jurassic sediments of the Surat Basin

ELEVATION:

200 - 520 Moderate?

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of outcrop of Jurassic sediments

REFERENCES:

Exon (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Chinchilla 1:250 000, northern Surat Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Landsat imagery

COMMENTS:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: NUMBER: KOGAN 201

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dy3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Va24

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating country

REGOLITH:

Deeply weathered Jurassic to Cretaceous rocks. Day & others

(1983) show undifferentiated duricrust over area

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Surat Basin

ELEVATION:

300? - 380 moderate

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area of deeply weathered rocks. Different Landsat and CZCS imagery response from Meandarra unit corresponds to

different geology

REFERENCES:

Exon & others (1970), Day & others (1983), Reiser (1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Northern Surat Basin 1:1m Landsat, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

BUNGIL

NUMBER:

202

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Plain

SOILS:

Duplex soils (Dr2.33, Db1.33, Dy3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Oc21, Ro4, Va24

DESCRIPTION:

Erosional plain

REGOLITH:

Tertiary fluvial sediments, apparently overlying deeply weathered bedrock in the western area, but deeply weathered with undifferentiated duricrust in the east (Day & others,

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Surat Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

270 - 360

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Area of Tertiary sediment

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Reiser (1971), Exon (1971), Day & others (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Chinchilla, Roma 1:250 000; northern Surat Basin 1:1m

COMMENTS:

Regolith very poorly described in references

COMPILER: DLG. Nov 1985

CONDAMINE

NUMBER:

203

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Depositional Alluvialplain

SOILS:

Self mulching clays (Ug5.1, 5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Kd, Kf, and CC units

DESCRIPTION:

Alluvial plain of the Condamine River

REGOLITH:

Fine alluvium, overlying the Pliocene Chinchilla sand, and un-named Oligocene-Pliocene sediments which include

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Surat Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

270 - ?450

RELIEF:

Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvial plain

REFERENCES:

Day & others (1983), Senior (1970), Exon (1976), Woods

(1960)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Chinchilla, Dalby 1:250 000; Northern Surat Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

FORTESCUE

NUMBER:

204

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Major river valley

SOILS:

Earthy clays

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

J91 DESCRIPTION: Major river valley

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, calcrete, sand

GEOLOGY:

Quaternary alluvium, some Tertiary, possibly some

Cretaceous (Hammersly Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m

RELIEF:

10 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Valleyplains

BOUNDARIES:

Bounded by higher ground

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m & 1: 5 m; 1:250 000 Geological Series 1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 6 & 10NW Atlas of Australian

Soils; Vegetation Survey WA 1:1 m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov, 1985

QUEENSTOWN

NUMBER:

205

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Mountains

SOILS:

Shallow sands, peat, yellow earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mf3

DESCRIPTION:

Mountains and hills. Less rugged than Pedder unit. Erosion

surfaces widespread as plateaux in north

REGOLITH:

Scree, bare rock, thin soil, glacial and periglacial

features

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic rocks of varied lithology; Devonian

granites; Precambrian rocks in northwest

ELEVATION:

Peaks to 1000, average 400

RELIEF:

100

MINOR LANDFORMS:

: Valleys, periglacial features, plateaux

BOUNDARIES:

Geological to east, physiographic to lowlands to east.

Vague boundary to north to basalt dominated unit

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Queenstown, Burnie, Port Davey 1:250 000; Arthur River

1:100 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES:

Queenstown 1:250 000; Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000

COMMENTS:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CO, Nov 1985

NAME:

HAMPSHIRE

NUMBER:

206

STYLE:

Volcanics

BASIC FORM:

Plain, plateau and hill

SOILS:

Red earths Mh1, Mg10,12

DESCRIPTION:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Basalt plains and plateaux

REGOLITH:

Deep weathered (3m) basalt over bedrock. Varied on other

rocks

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary basalt over Palaeozoic rocks. Generally skeletal

or sandy soil on non basalt rocks

ELEVATION:

To 300

RELIEF:

60

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Hills and valleys on non-volcanic rocks

BOUNDARIES:

Generalised to include major basalt area, but includes

considerable areas of other rocks

REFERENCES:

Sutherland (1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bernie 1:250 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

FORTH

NUMBER:

207

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Hills

SOILS:

Earths, sandy soils, skeletal soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mh1, Mf1, JJ3

DESCRIPTION:

Complex of irregular fluvial topography

REGOLITH:

Variable; hillside creep

GEOLOGY:

Complex of Precambrian to Recent rocks, with many small patches of different rock. Includes small dolerite and

basalt areas

ELEVATION:

0 - 1000

RELIEF:

100

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Plateaux, terraces

BOUNDARIES:

Poorly defined; essentially a complex area left after more

distinct units were defined

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tamar, Forth 1:100 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CO, Nov 1985

NAME:

LONGFORD

NUMBER:

208

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Valleyplain Very varied

SOILS:

Re1, Wo1

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

River plains of the Midland Valley (graben)

REGOLITH:

Varied alluvium; varied Tertiary sediments (nonmarine

mostly)

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary sediments, veneer of Quaternary glacial and

alluvial deposits

ELEVATION:

200

RELIEF:

20

MINOR LANDFORMS:

High mesas (outliers of dolerite), basalt mesas, terraces

BOUNDARIES:

Essentially geological, but topographically clear

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

South Esk 1:100 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000; Launceston, Oatlands 1:250

000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

EUDAMULLAH

NUMBER:

209

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected pediplains, low stony ridges, alluvial plains,

sand dun

SOTLS:

Alkaline red soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

OC54,55,44,45,46, AB15 (minor)

REGOLITH:

Pediplains, steep slopes, stony ridges Stony ridges, breakaways and mesas, dissected pediments

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic rocks, Proterozoic granite (Gascoyne Province), Permian sedimentary rocks, Cretaceous sediments (Carnarvon Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 150-300 m

RELIEF:

30-100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Dissected pediments, sand dunes

BOUNDARIES:

Coastal plains to the north and west, steep ranges to the

east, and less rugged country to the south

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 6 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NAME:

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NUMBER:

210

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal lowland

SOILS:

Sands, peat

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

JJ5, Cb17, Tb10

DESCRIPTION:

Coastal peneplain, with coastal deposition dominant in some

places. Dunes

REGOLITH: GEOLOGY:

Shallow surficial sands; occasional peat, rock outcrops Lower Palaeozoic rocks veneered by young sands. Some

Tertiary to recent sandy deposits

ELEVATION:

100

RELIEF:

Mostly 20

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Inliers of old rocks, with some structural control. Coastal

depositional landforms, including huge dunes in places

BOUNDARIES:

Based on physiography

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Welcome 1:100 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: NUMBER: WELD 211

STYLE:

Erosional Mountains

BASIC FORM:

Podsols, duplex deep earths

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

K11, Mh2

DESCRIPTION:

Hilly to mountainous terrain. Some plateaux. Often

intricate dissection

REGOLITH:

Rocky slopes, patches of deep weathering on granites. Some

deep friable soils

GEOLOGY:

Lower Palaeozoic greywacke etc., granites and granodiorite

ELEVATION:

500, major mountains 1000

RELIEF:

200

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Scree, boulder fields, periglacial features, slumps. Minor

basalt or dolerite capped mesas

BOUNDARIES:

Geological boundary to dolerite in southwest well marked

REFERENCES:

Caine (1983)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Launceston 1:250 000; Georges 1:100 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000; Launceston 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Caine (1983)

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NAME:

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NUMBER:

212

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Steep hills and ranges Stony and shallow soils

SOILS: SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Fa15, F41

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges, steep hills, dissected pediments, narrow winding

valleys

REGOLITH:

Shallow stony soil and bare rocks

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic sandstone, Archaean basic volcanics, dolomite, minor Archaean granite; banded iron formation (Hammersley

Basin, Ashburton Trough)

ELEVATION:

Average 600 m

RELIEF:

Mainly below 400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by pediments, alluvial flats and ridges; major

river valley to the north

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m $\,$

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 6 Atlas of Australian soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov, 1985

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NUMBER:

213

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Mountain ridges

SOILS:

Shallow sands, peat

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Rugged mountains; strike ridges on Precambrian

metamorphics. Trellis drainage

REGOLITH:

Shallow profiles to bedrock. Sandy on siliceous p.m. Many

rock outcrops

GEOLOGY:

Precambrian metamorphics. Patches of Palaeozoic rocks

ELEVATION:

Peaks over 1000

RELIEF:

Often 200 +

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Lakes, gorges, periglacial features

BOUNDARIES:

Essentially geological, the main area of Precambrian rocks

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Port Davey, Queenstown 1:250 000; 01ga 1:100 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000; Port Davey, Queenstown 1:250

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

CO. Nov 1985

NAME:

LAKES PLATEAU

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Glaciated plateau

SOILS:

Lithosol/peat

SOILS ASSOCIATION: KL3

DESCRIPTION:

Dolerite plateau, glaciated, with many small lakes

REGOLITH:

Bare rock, glacial deposits, moraines etc

GEOLOGY:

Jurassic dolerite

ELEVATION:

1200

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

glacial features, lake features

BOUNDARIES:

Essentially physiographic. Big scarp to north and west. No

little lakes to east

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Mersey 1:100 000; Queenstown 1:250 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000; Queenstown 1:250 000; Geological map of Tasmania 1:506 880 (Geol. Soc. of Aust.) Journal of the Geological Society of Australia, vol, 9 pt 2

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

LOMOND NAME: NUMBER: 215

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plateau

Lithosol/peat SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION: K12,3

Plateau, modified in part by glacial and periglacial action DESCRIPTION: Bare rock, scree, glacial and periglacial deposits REGOLITH:

(moraines, blockfields)

Jurassic dolerite GEOLOGY:

ELEVATION: 1200

60 on plateau, scarps 700 RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Lakes and related features; isolated hills

Clear scarp to north; many small lakes to west. Patches of BOUNDARIES:

Triassic in unit to south. Boundaries with Midland Valley

unit are physiographic

Caine (1983), Derbyshire (1965), Davies (1965) REFERENCES:

Meander 1:100 000 TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000; Oatlands, Launceston, GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Queenstown 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: CO, Nov 1985

NAME: OATLANDS NUMBER: 216

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Mountain, plateau, and valley

SOILS: Red friable soils on dolerite, duplex soils on Triassic

rocks

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Re1, Wd3,4

DESCRIPTION: Mountains and plateau remnants. Open drainage with some

major valleys

REGOLITH: Shallow rock debris to deep weathered profiles (3m+).

Periglacial blockfields in high country. Alluvium in main

GEOLOGY: 50% of area Jurassic dolerite; 50% Parmeener Subgroup

sediments, mainly Triassic sandstone

500 - 800 **ELEVATION:** RELIEF: 200 - 300

MINOR LANDFORMS: Strike ridges, mesas, periglacial forms

BOUNDARIES: Geological. Solid dolerite to the north (and south end of Midland Valley). Strike ridges on Precambrian rocks to west

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hobart, OAtlands, Launceston 1:250 000; Derwent 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES:

Geology of Tasmania 1:500 000 GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

COMMENTS:

CO, Nov, 1985 COMPILER:

NAME: ALBERGA NUMBER: 217

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Dunefield

SOILS: Siliceous sands (Uc1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B54,55

DESCRIPTION: Dune fields of large longitudinal sand dunes and interdune

plains in the north, and confused sand dune country with

small claypans in the south

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand, minor alluvium, colluvium, and lacustrine

sediments

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic deposits

ELEVATION: 300 m average RELIEF: Less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Area of aeolian sand REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977) TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Oodnadatta 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, DLG, Jan 1986

NAME: BULLOO DOWNS

NUMBER: 218

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Pediments, ridges, alluvial flats and narrow plains

SOILS: Alkaline red soils, shallow stony soils on steeper slopes,

surface cover of gravels over hardpan, shallow earthy loams

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Oc48, BE6

DESCRIPTION: Partly dissected pediments, low stony ridges, narrow zones

of streams

REGOLITH: Partly dissected pediments and breakaways capped by red-

brown hardpan, calcrete

GEOLOGY: Fine-grained Proterozoic sediments, Archaean granite, basic

igneous rocks (Sylvania Dome, Bangemall Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m

RELIEF: From 10 m to 100 m
MINOR LANDFORMS: Alluvial flats, narro

MINOR LANDFORMS: Alluvial flats, narrow plains upstream BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by steep hills and ranges

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m Australia; 1:250 000 series

OTHER SOURCES: 1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 6 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov, 1985

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NUMBER:

219

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Stony hills, bare rocks, steep ranges

SOILS:

Stony sands, alkaline red soils, shallow soils, loams with

clavs

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

I: AA9, Fa8, OC49, F41

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Steep ranges, dissected pediments, narrow valley plains Bare rocks, stony earthy loams on steep slopes, narrow

valleys: red-brown hardpan on lower slopes and on small

areas of valley plains

GEOLOGY:

Gneiss, fine grained sedimentary rocks, basic dykes,

dolomite and sandstone (Bangemwall Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 400-500 m

RELIEF:

Up to 400 m Valleyplains

MINOR LANDFORMS: BOUNDARIES:

Less rugged country to the west, south and east; costal

plains

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

1:2.5 m, 1:5 m Australia; 1:250 000 Geological Series

1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 6 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NAME:

MILGUM

NUMBER:

SOILS:

220

STYLE:

Erosional (minor depositional) Steep ranges, hills and ridges

BASIC FORM:

Stony loams, dissected pediments, shallow stony soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

FA8, 0C49

DESCRIPTION:

Hills and ridges, dissected plateaus, some plains

REGOLITH:

Extensive areas without soil cover; hardpans on lower

slopes; scattered surface gravels on rocks

GEOLOGY:

Basic dykes, Proterozoic sedimentary rock, Archaean granite, Archaen metamorphosed sediments and volcanics

(Bangemall Basin, Gascoyne Province)

ELEVATION:

Average 300-600 m From 30 to 100 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvialplains

BOUNDARIES:

Less rugged to the west, south and east

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:2.5 m, 1:5 m Australia; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 6 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov, 1985

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NUMBER: STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Gibber plain

SOILS:

Ironstone gravel with sandy matrix, shallow earthy loams,

shallow loams in palaeodrainage channels

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AY1,2,3, BE12, BY6, SV10

DESCRIPTION:

Gibber strewn plain with few sand dunes, traversed by palaeodrainage channels; low hills, plateaus and breakaways

REGOLITH:

Surface gibber lag; ferruginous and siliceous duricrust, residual sand and alluvium in palaeodrainages, minor

aeolian sand. Underlying rocks are deeply weathered

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic and Cretaceous sediments of the Canning and

Officer Basin, capped with duricrust and sand

ELEVATION:

400 - 500 m

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

Surrounded mainly by sand plains Jackson & van de Graaff (1981)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin, Officer Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, Officer Basin Geomorphology 1:1m

(Jackson & van de Graaff, 1981)

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Jan 1986

NAME:

ZANTHUS

NUMBER:

222

STYLE:

Erosional/Depositional Low dissected plateaus

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Brown and grey-brown calcareous earths, siliceous sand on

lunettes alkaline red earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD14, DD34, Mx43

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating plains with small valleys broken by low narrow

rocky hills and ridges

REGOLITH:

Shallow red earths, siliceous sand, silcrete blocks or

fragments, some breakaways

GEOLOGY:

Basic intrusive rocks, metamorphosed, igneous and minor

sedimentary rocks, some granite (Albany-Fraser Province)

ELEVATION:

Average 150 m

RELIEF:

Less than 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Tors, bosses, small valleys, clay pans, salt lakes with

dunes and lunettes, gilgais, pediments

BOUNDARIES:

Limestone of Eucla Basin to the east, coastal plains to the

south and to the west, similar to Kalgoorlie unit

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 5 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: ESPERANCE

NUMBER: 223

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Coastal plains and undissected plateaus

SOILS: Sandy mottled soils, calcareous loams, ironstone gravels,

coastal low dunes, swamps and lakes

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Xd, BB6, Ya32, Va67,68, C21, A15, B25, Ca25

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plains or plateaus at low elevation with small

granitic tors and bosses

REGOLITH: Red earths around the granitic bosses and tors, plains

underlain by calcrete at shallow depth (about 3 cm),

ironstone gravels, indurated lateritic red substrata

GEOLOGY: Archaean granite, Proterozoic granite, Proterozoic

metamorphic igneous and minor sedimentary rocks (Albany-

Fraser Province, Bremer Basin)

ELEVATION: Average up to 150 m

RELIEF: Less than 30 m (up to 30 m in places)

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low dunes, undulating to hilly ridges and slope topography

with flat to gently sloping crests to the ridges, stream

valleys, broken terrain with

BOUNDARIES: Low dissected plateaus to the north and west, limestone

plains to the east

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES: 1:5 m Landforms and Relief map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA

COMMENTS: Sheet 5 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov, 1985

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NAME: LAKE HOPE

NUMBER: 224

STYLE: Erosional and depositional

BASIC FORM: Plateaus with scattered hills and broad valleys

SOILS: yellow earths
SOILS ASSOCIATION: AC1, Mx43, SI30

DESCRIPTION: Low hills and ridges, undulating terrains, plains

REGOLITH: Deep weathering profiles on bedrocks and superficial

materials

GEOLOGY: Archaean metamorphics with granite and greenstone (Yilgarn

Block)

ELEVATION: Average 300 RELIEF: From 30 to 100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Tors, mesas, playas, saline valleys with salt lakes, minor

dunes around lakes and in river valleys, some gypsum

BOUNDARIES: Distinguished from the Kalgoorlie unit by being more rugged

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: 1:250 000 Series Maps; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES: 1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia, 1:1 m

Vegetation Map of WA, Atlas of Australian Soils Sheet 5

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

KALGOORLIE

NUMBER:

225

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plateaus

SOILS:

Dominantly red and yellow mottled with ferricrete duricrust

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Va66, SV1 (Tertiary filled valleys)

DESCRIPTION:

Rolling to hilly terrain with broad valleys filled by

Tertiary sediments and playas

REGOLITH:

Deep weathering profiles, on bedrocks and superficial

deposits

GEOLOGY:

Precambrian granite, some metamorphics, greenstone belts

(Yilgarn Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 300

RELIEF:

Less than 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Tors, mesas, playas, saline valleys with salt lakes, minor

dunes, some gypsum

BOUNDARIES:

Distinguished by broad valleys bounded by low hills and

ridges

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:250 000 Series Maps; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Lantform and Relief Map of Australia, 1:1 m

Vegetation Map of WA, Sheet 5, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Dec 1985

GLOUCESTER

NUMBER:

226

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected plateau flank

SOILS:

Lithosols. Loamy soils. Red earths. Friable red earths (Um

4.2; Dy 3.21, 3.41; Gn 2.14)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

LL4; Mw6,2,1; Mj3; LL3

DESCRIPTION:

Plateau flank dissected into narrow strike ridges and valleys, with 'outliers' of basalt - capped rises at lower

altitudes than main plateau basalts

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, colluvium: sand, silt, gravel and clay. Weathered Palaeozoic sediments and granites producing kaolin rich soil and grus. Red and dark brown plastic, clay

rich soils derived from weathed basic volcanics

GEOLOGY:

Ordovician-Devonian slate, schist, phyllite, sandstone, chert, phyllite, conglomerate, siltstone. Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale. Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Upper Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, acid volcanics. Permian sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, tillite, limestone, acid, intermediate, and minor basic volcanics, ultramfic intrusives, granites. Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, granites. Tertiary basalts, minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION:

200-1550 m 50-500 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Moderate to steep sided valleys of foothills at base of Great Escarpment. River Terraces and floodplain landforms approaching coastal plain. Basalt capped hills. Colluvial

fans in steeper upper reaches

BOUNDARIES:

Top of Great Escarpment to the west; Coastal plain and lowland slopes of Escarpment to the east. Dorrigo Plateau - Great Escarpment to the north. Parts of Mt Royal Range to the south. Physiogrpahic units and soil map units are major

boundary determinants

REFERENCES:

Pain (1983), Ollier (982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Newcastle, Hastings 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Jan 1986

WALLABADAH

NUMBER:

227

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected plateau flank

SOILS:

Dark friable earths. Red earths. Red friable porous earths.

Loamy soils with A2 horizons

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mm1; Mw6,2; Mg20; LK1

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected plateau flank. Flank composed of steep to very steep hills and ridges with narrow steep sided valleys. Plateau surface capped by basalt. Basalt capped outliers

detatched from general elevation of Escarpment.

REGOLITH:

Thin soils in higher reaches of valleys and along ridge tops, Weathered Palaeozoic sediments yielding kaolinitic soils, thicker colluvial mantles at foot of steep sided valleys and minor terraces. Alluvial deposits in wider

channels

GEOLOGY:

Ordovician-Silurian slate, siltstone, chert, phyllite, sandstone, conglomerate. Ordovician-Devonian sandstone, mudstone, schist, phyllite. Upper Devonian and Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Upper Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale. Permian sandstone, mudstone, tillite, limestone,

acid, intermediate and minor basic volcanics, granites

ELEVATION:

1000-1440 m

RELIEF:

3000 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor tributary valleys, plateaux, elongated ridges. Minor

river terraces, landslips and scars

BOUNDARIES:

Isis-Hunter Rivers and Great Escarpment to the southeast. Peel River to the northwest. Junction of Liverpool and Great Dividing Range to the southwest. Soil map units in part; Physiography units underlying basis of boundaries

REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Pain (1983) Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Jan 1986

GOULBURN RIVER

NUMBER:

228

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plateaux and ridges cut by steep-sided valleys

SOILS:

Yellow leached earths and yellow earths; hard setting loams

with mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Gn 2.34 & .74 & .21, Dy

3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mb2; Ub49; MSi

DESCRIPTION:

32 km wide tract of land along the Goulburn River with irregular plateaux and ridges broken by steep-sided valleys 90 - 150 m deep. Where sandstone is resistant, gorges are formed; less resistant Permian rocks form wide valleys with undulating lowlands, fringed by steep

escarpments.

REGOLITH:

Relics of old leached soils ('bole') under basalt flows; alluvial terraces; highly weathered ancient terraces represented by some patches of high level gravels. Gritty clays associated with minor acid intrusives. Cracking clays, plastic red clays, some black clays associated with

weathered basic volcanics; colluvial fans

GEOLOGY:

Triassic sandstone forms plateaux and ridges; some capped by basalt. Undulating lowlands on less resistant Permian

rocks.

ELEVATION:

30 - 460

RELIEF:

90 - 150 m deep valleys cut in plateaux and ridges.

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small area of low, rocky granite hills and broad open valleys south of Ulan, minor landslip features on steeper

slopes; alluvial terraces; colluvial fans.

BOUNDARIES:

Liverpool Range to the north; Cudgegong Valley to the south

REFERENCES:

Dulhunty (1937).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Sydney, Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Singleton, Tamworth, Dubbo, Gilgandra 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 8, Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

LIVERPOOL

NUMBER:

229

STYLE:

Volcanics

BASIC FORM:

Basalt plateau & mountain range

SOILS:

Deep black to dark cracking clays, sometimes stony, clayey,

humic skeletal soils; some alpine humus soil (Ug5, Gn3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Kb2; Mm1

DESCRIPTION:

A large area of Tertiary basalt. The system divides into the Liverpool Range and the Merriwa Plateau. The Liverpool Range is a semi arcuate narrow rugged mountain range. The

Merriwa plateau is a plateau of rocky hills and open valleys cut by 90 m deep parallel south flowing streams.

valleys cut by 90 m deep parallel south flowing streams. Relics of leached soils between basalt flows ('bole');

alluvial terraces; weathered ancient terraces; red and black cracking days. Colluvial fans. Alluvial sand silt

clay and gravel.

GEOLOGY:

REGOLITH:

Tertiary Basalt. Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone;

Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; Tertiary alkali

intrusives

ELEVATION:

Liverpool Range to 1220 m, Merriwa plateau 300 - 475 m

RELIEF:

Merriwa plateau 150 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Structural benches; minor landslip features; river

terraces; alluvial flats, colluvial fans.

BOUNDARIES:

Delineated in areal extent by the basalt of the Liverpool Ranges. Breeza plains to north; midslopes of Goulburn River

to south.

REFERENCES:

Dulhunty (1937).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tamworth, Gilgandra 1:250 000; Aust 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 8, Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

SPRING RIDGE

NUMBER:

230

STYLE:

Volcanics

BASIC FORM:

Undulating hills

SOILS:

Yellow earths; Red friable Earths; Cracking clays;

Hardsetting loamy soils with red clayey subsoil

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ms1; Mo5, Ob16; Kd1.

DESCRIPTION:

Flat plain with occasional NW trending ridges and undulating hills. Becoming more hilly to west towards

Wurrumbungle Range.

REGOLITH:

Isolated Tertiary fluvial gravels. Alluvial deposits: black

soils, sands, sand loam and clays; Depths of 60 m

GEOLOGY:

Permian sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, tillite, limestone; Triassic siltstone, mudstone; Jurassic volcanics intermediate and basic; Tertiary basalt and minor acid volcanics, and coal. Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial

lacustrine, and marine sand, silts and clays.

ELEVATION:

500-850

RELIEF:

50-350

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Flat plains, minor flood plains and natural levees; lowland

swamps on plains; steeper slopes and mountains

BOUNDARIES:

Warrumbungle Range to the west. Liverpool Range to the south. Extensions of and isolated hills of the Nandewar Range to the north. Great Divide and Escarpment to the

REFERENCES:

Kenny (1964)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

TAMWORTH

NUMBER:

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STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Tableland

SOILS:

Chocolate prairie soils, red brown earths. Minor black earths. Hard setting loamy soils with red, brown clayey

subsoils; friable loams (Dr 2, Db 1.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Qb21,17, Ra5, Gb12,14

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating tableland with shallow open valleys.

REGOLITH:

Tertiary transported clay deposits (Barraba and south Barraba), red and black plastic and cracking clays. Poor quality 'potch' opal; rare precious opal, agates and chalcedony. Alluvium: sand, silt, clay, gravel; colluvial

deposits.

GEOLOGY:

Paleozoic Basement - greywackes, cherts, volcanics, sandstones. Minor Tertiary basalt. Ultramafic intrusives (Permian), acid and intermediate with minor basic volcanics

ELEVATION:

300 - 1000

RELIEF:

6 - 365

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Volcanic plugs; mesas; buttes; talus slopes; structural

benches, planeze forms. Floodplains and associated minor

landforms.

BOUNDARIES:

Crawney Mountain to the south; Mastermans Range to the north; Nandewar Mountains to the west; Nandewar Range to the east.

REFERENCES:

Baker & Uren (1982), Jensen (1907)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tamworth, Manilla 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, NSW Premiers Dep: Preliminary Survey of Resources, New England Region. New England Atlas. Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

Diamonds in deep leads near Bullawa Creek

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Dec 1985

NAME: NUMBER: TAMWORTH

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STYLE:

BASIC FORM:

Erosional Tableland

SOILS:

Chocolate prairie soils, red brown earths. Minor black

earths. Hard setting loamy soils with red, brown clayey

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Baker & Uren (1982), Jensen (1907)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tamworth, Manilla 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, NSW Premiers Dep: Preliminary Survey of

Resources, New England Region. New England Atlas. Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

Diamonds in deep leads near Bullawa Creek

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Dec 1985

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NUMBER:

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STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Gently undulating tableland.

SOILS:

Leached sand soils, sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey

subsoils. Yellow Podzolic-Gley Podzolic (Uc2.3, Dy5.41)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Cb30, Wa10 DESCRIPTION:

Rugged granitic areas with rock walls and tors, with

adjacent undulating to hilly country on granite with

numerous granitic tors.

REGOLITH:

Soils often contain large amounts of ironstone and bauxitic gravels especially on undulating ridge tops (?plateau remnants). Red and black plastic, and cracking clay soils associated with weathered basalt. Alluvium and colluvium: red silt, clay and gravel. Grus and insitu deeply weathered

granite

GEOLOGY:

Bundarra Granite (Permian); Minor Ordovician-Silurian sandstone, silstone, shale, phyllite, chert, conglomerate. Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone,

shale, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schists

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

800 to 1200 90 to 180

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Isolated remmants of volcanic plugs (buttes). Tors. Exposed unloading granite domes. Alluvial flats and minor floodplain features. Small lakes close to or on Dividing Range.

BOUNDARIES:

Flaggy Mountain to the South; Round Mountain, Cave Mountain and Dividing Range to the East; Extensions of Mandewar Ranges to the west; Inverell gilgai plain to the north.

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tamworth, Manilla 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery; NSW Premiers Dep - Prelim Survey of

Resources: New England Atlas. Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

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NUMBER: STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Gently undulating tableland

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soil with mottled red/yellow clayey subsoil; sand soils. Yellow solodic, yellow podzolic, red podzolic, skeletal soils. Minor gley Podzolic, Black

Earths, Chocolate Prairie soils (Dy 3.42, Uc 4.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ub53,60, JJ6; Tb50; Pb14,

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating to low hilly tableland, with some

scattered basaltic knolls and ridges.

REGOLITH:

Some ironstone gravel in soils on lower slopes. Laterite is present below soils on some slopes. Some colluvial slopes. Relics of leached soils between basalt flows ('bole'). Red and black plastic and cracking clay soils; Grus mantles. Silcrete associated with basalt, ferruginous and aluminous duricrust remnants. Alluvium, colluvium: sand, silt, clay and gravel. Tertiary transported clays.

Lacustrine clays.

GEOLOGY:

Paleozoic granites, Paleozoic volcanics of granite

affinity. Some Tertiary basalt.

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

800 to 1200 6 to 90

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Some steep to rugged terrain in the north. Isolated hills

capped with basalt (buttes/mesas). Colluvial fans. River

terraces, floodplains and minor associated landforms.

BOUNDARIES:

Great Escarpment to the east; Dividing Range to the west; Guyra tableland to the north; Great Escarpment to the

south. Mostly based on soil map unit boundaries.

REFERENCES:

Baker & Uren (1982), Francis & Walker (1978), Packham

(1969), Fitzpatrick (1979).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tamworth, Manilla 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, New England Atlas, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Dec 1985

NAME: MACLEAY

234 NUMBER:

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Deep gorges on Great Escarpment edge

Loamy soils with A2 horizon. Skeletal Soils. Red Podzolic. SOILS:

(Um 4.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: LK 2

Precipitous escarpments and gorges on the eastern edge of DESCRIPTION:

the New England Plateau. Formed by the headwater tracts of the Macleay, Bellinger and Clarence River systems.

waterfalls where rivers leave the plateau.

Bare rock, scree slopes, alluvium on rivers; high level REGOLITH:

river terraces. Red highly plastic clay soils

Palaeozoic Basement - greywackes, cherts, volcanics, GEOLOGY:

sandstones.

ELEVATION: 100 to 1150

RELIEF: 1000

MINOR LANDFORMS: Waterfalls, steep gorges, alluvial terraces, rapids,

landslides (now stabilised)

BOUNDARIES: The Great Escarpment to the west. Coastal plain to the

east. Wollombi River to the north. Great Escarpment to the

south. Manly following soil map units.

REFERENCES: Fitzpatrick (1979), Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Armidale 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Dorrigo 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, New England Atlas, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Dec 1985

NAME: DORRIGO NUMBER: 235 STYLE: Volcanic

BASIC FORM: Plateau

SOILS: Krasnozems, red loams, red friable earths; friable loams;

red friable porous earths (Um 6.3, Gn 3.14, Gn 4.11,

Uc5.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Gz1; Mg23; Mj3

DESCRIPTION: Plateau on Miocene Volcanics (basalt), five main flows

exposed in southeast scarp. Weathering 0-4 m on top. Some

interbasalt loams.

REGOLITH: Red and black highly plastic and cracking clay soils

derived from weathered basic volcanics. Alluvium and

colluvium: sand, silt, clay and gravel.

GEOLOGY: Tertiary (Miocene) Basalt. Palaeozoic slates exposed on

escarpment. Some slate outcrop on plateau.

ELEVATION: 1540 m

RELIEF: 100 m on plateau. 500 m on foothills, 1000 m on scarp

MINOR LANDFORMS: Escarpment on southeast exposing Palaeozoic slates. Some

> slate outcrop on plateau. Swamps in main valley, especially on west side. Valley flows to north with lateral streams. Miocene coal and mudstone outcrop occasionally under

basalt.

BOUNDARIES: Areal extent of basalt flow. Also based on combintion of

three major soil map unit boundaries.

Smith (1942), Ollier (1982), Brown (1983) REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Armidale 1:1 m

Dorrigo 1:250 000, Aust 1:250 000. GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, CSIRO Soils & Land Use Series, New England

Atlas, Atlas of Australian Soils.

COMMENTS:

GT, MC, Dec 1985 COMPILER:

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NUMBER:

236

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating granitic plateau

SOILS:

Hard setting and sandy soils with mottled yellow loamy

clayey subsoils; leached sand soils; loams; plastic clay

soils;

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Wa14; Cb30; Ib58; F7; LK3; JJ6.

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly granitic plateau; some tors and larger

outcrops.

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, colluvium: sand, silt, clay and gravel. Red and black, plastic and cracking clay soils. Grus mantles, sand and podzolic soils associated with weathered granite. Tertiary gravels and deep leads. River terraces. Tertiary transported clays (Emmaville), Laterites, deep

leads cut into Permian sediments and granite.

GEOLOGY:

Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale; Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist; Carboniferous granites. Permian acid and intermediate plus minor basic volcanics, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, tillite, limestone, granites; Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone and

granites. Tertiary basalt with minor acid volcanics.

ELEVATION:

Up to 1510 30 - 900

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Tablelands, isolated basalt capped mesas/buttes. Exposed granite domes, with unloading joints, granite tors; positive and negative relief granite landscapes. Swamps and

lakes associated with divide.

BOUNDARIES:

New England Range, Great Divide, Great Escarpment to the east. Main, Mastermans Ranges to the southwest. Edge of Goondiwindi - Texas plain to the northwest. Aberfoyle River to the south. (River floodplains and minor associated landforms).

REFERENCES:

Fitzpatrick (1979), Baker & Uren (1982), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Dorrigo, Grafton, Manilla Inverell 1:250 000, Aust. 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, New England Atlas, Atlas of Australian Soils

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

NAME: NUMBER:

237

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Volcanic Small, remnant basalt plateaux.

SOILS:

Red friable earths; cracking clays; Chocolate Prairie

soils, Black Earths, Euchrozems, loamy soils with brown

clayey subsoils. (Gn 3.12, Db 3.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mo6,7; Rh5; Kd4; Kc5

INVERELL

DESCRIPTION:

Tertiary basalt province. Lava flows followed rivers, displacing drainage to form lateral streams. Flat topped

basalt flows now stand as small remnant plateaux.

REGOLITH:

deeply weathered to red earth consisting of montmorillonites, kaolin and iron oxides. Frequently the weathering has proceded further to form ferricrete or laterite, and even bauxite. Some typical laterite profiles occur, with ferricrete over a red and white

mottled zone, over a pallid zone of kaolin.

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary basalt over Mesozoic sediments and volcanics, and Palaeozoic basement. Deep leads along buried river courses. Alluvium and relic soils ('bole') between basalt flows.

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

300 to 1400 m 90 to 180 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor mountain range; isolated hills; flat to undulating

BOUNDARIES:

Areal extent of the Tertiary basalt. Masterman Range to the northwest and southwest. Guyra plateau to the east and

David (1887), Ollier (1984), Andrews (1903), Baker & Uren REFERENCES:

(1982).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m Aust 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, New England Atlas, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Dec 1985

KAPUTAR

NUMBER:

238

STYLE:

Erosional/volcanic

BASIC FORM:

Isolated mountains

SOILS:

Loamy soils with brown clayey subsoils. Loams with A2

horizons.

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Rh8; LK3

DESCRIPTION:

The Mount Kaputar-Nandewar Ranges is an oval mass divided by Bullowa creek. The northern mass is very dissected whereas the southern mass represents a tableland

topography.

REGOLITH:

The Nandewars are surrounded by thick alluvial black soil plains; Black soils are also derived from weathered volcanics. Mantles of deep yellow and white aeolian sand

deposits. Volcanics weathering in spheroidal patterns

GEOLOGY:

Permian sediments. Upper Carboniferous sandstone, mudstone, siltstone. Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, Tertiary basalt with minor acid volcanics. mudstone. Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sediments. Intrusives: granite syenite. Extrusives; trachyte, phonolite, rhyolite,

tuffs, as well as porphyries.

ELEVATION:

500-1500 m

RELIEF:

500-800 m.

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Necks and cones, steep narrow gorge-like valleys, mesas

Manilla and Harton Rivers to the east; Extent of Nandewar

Range to the west:

REFERENCES:

BOUNDARIES:

Jensen (1907), Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Aust 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

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NUMBER:

239

STYLE:

Erosional, volcanic, depositional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating hills, and plains

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils, brown and with red clayey

subsoils; loams; cracking clays; red friable earths. (Ug

5.24, Dy 3.42, Dr. 2.33, Gn 3.13)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Oc15; LK3; RO2; CC20; Mn2;

DESCRIPTION:

NW trending tract consisting of hills in southeast associated with Nandewar Range, grading to flat plains towards northwest. Central section abuts the Mt Kaputar-Nandewar Mountains. The tract is essentially the valley

and slopes of the Namoi River

REGOLITH:

Thick alluvial deposits: sand, silt and clay; black, and some red expansive clay soils. Black soil plains contain deposits of coarse fluvial gravels derived from volcanics

and local conglomerates.

GEOLOGY:

Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sediments, Triassic and Jurassic sandstone, Carboniferous sediments, siltstone, mudstone. Jurassic intermediate and basic volcanics. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, limestone,

shale. Tertiary basalt and minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION:

150 - 900 m 50 - 500 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Floodplains and associated minor landforms, high altitude

springs

BOUNDARIES:

Duri Mountain, Breeza plain, The Sugarloaf Mountain to the south-southwest. Mt Kaputar, Nandewar Range, to the north-

northeast. Wee Waa, Walgett plains to the west.

REFERENCES:

Jensen (1906, 1907), Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Aust 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

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NUMBER:

240

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating plain

SOILS:

Sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoil; yellow

earths; red friable earths.(Gn3.12; Gn2.21; Dy5.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

X11; MS1; MO5

DESCRIPTION:

The south eastern area comprises the slopes of the Warrumbungle Range; the lateral position envelopes the major catchment of Borah, Coghill, Cabba and Etoo Creeks. Slopes give way to flatter areas approaching the Walgett

plains.

REGOLITH:

Alluvial sand, silt, clay. Black (some minor red) plastic and expanding clay soils derived from weathered volcanics of Warrumbungle and associated volcanics. Some gravel deposits consisting of weathered volcanics and remnant

clasts of eroded Palaeozoic conglomerates. Diatomite.

GEOLOGY:

Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, limestone. Minor Tertiary basalt, diatomite. Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial lacustrine

deposits

ELEVATION:

150 - 700 m

RELIEF:

10 - 200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Fluvial terraces in major creeks; eroded remnants of

Warrumbungle volcanics.

BOUNDARIES:

Willala Mountain and associated NE/SW trending hills to the southeast; Warrumbungle Range to the southwest; edge of Baradine-Cuttabri plains to the west; Narrabri plain to the

REFERENCES:

Jensen (1906, 1907), Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

OTHER SOURCES: COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

MURRAY

NUMBER:

241

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Depositional Alluvialplains

SOILS:

Deep grey, self mulching cracking clays (Ug 5.24 & .25)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

CC1,2,3

DESCRIPTION:

Riverine plains of grey cracking clays with low gilgais.

Numerous drainage ways and swamps. Prior streams and

related features.

REGOLITH:

Grey, self mulching, cracking riverine clays. Levees of prior streams composed of grey sandy loam. Thin parna mantles over much of the region. There is no vertical

differentiation in the regolith profile.

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous and Tertiary sediments of the Murray Basin

ELEVATION:

Less than 200 m Less than 6 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

River floodplains and associated landforms

BOUNDARIES:

Eastern edge of Hay plains, Mt Cemon, Mt Arthur, narrow strip along Lachlan River to Forbes and Grogan, Lake Coival, eastern side of the Willandra Lakes system to the West continuing along Lodden River valley; Rochester, Yarrawonga, Shepparton to the South. Primarily soil

mapping units and physiographic boundaries.

REFERENCES:

Butler and others (1983), Hills (1975).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra, Melbourne, Adelaide, Hamilton 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Dec 1986

NAME: NUMBER: BOBADAH 242

STYLE:

: Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating hills and minor plains

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils with mottled red-yellow clayey subsoils; red earths. (Dy 3.42; Dr 3.32; Gn 2.13; Gn 2.13)

Ub52; QC6; MX5; My8

DESCRIPTION:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Undulating hilly terrain with occasional higher rises to NE, narrow strip on western edge of Bogan River Floodplain.

REGOLITH:

Alluvial plains: sand, silt, clay and gravel; black and some red plastic and expanding clay soils (mainly alluvial). Fluvial-colluvial conglomerate, poorly sorted and silicifed, and silcrete. Dispersed calcrete as kunkar.

Aeolian red and brown clayey sand and loam.

GEOLOGY:

Cambro-Ordovician schist, quartzite, metabasalt, gneiss, phyllite. Ordovician sandstone, quartzite, slate, conglomerate, limestone. Lower Devonian acid and intermediate volcanics, sandstone siltstones, shales. Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, phyllite, schist, chert. Silurian granites. Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial, and

lacustrine deposits

ELEVATION:

180-600 m 100 m - 400 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Isolated Hills on flat to undulating country, hilly

terrain.

BOUNDARIES:

Boona Mountains, Durriwong Mt, Black Range to the south and southwest. Boggan Creek and River to the northeast and north. Tarran and Bald HIlls to the west. Babinda Hill and Buckeroo Mountain to the northwest. Soil map units and CVCC improve and main sources for boundaries.

CZCS imagery are main sources for boundaries.

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Stannard (1962), David (1950), Brunker

(1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Dec 1985

NAME: GRIFFITH NUMBER: 243

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Undulating plains cut by narrow steep-sided ranges.

SOILS: Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils; red

earths.

SOILS ASSOCIATION: 0c3; Mx4; My6,9,10; 0c4,8

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plains, with low and very low dune forms,

kunkar, and areas of large melon-hole depresssions. Cut by narrow steep-sided ranges, some with gently undulating

crests.

REGOLITH: Kunkar and buried palaeosols; alluvium (sand, silt, gravel

and clay). Black and some red platic and expanding soils.

Aeolian and residual sand deposits. River terraces.

GEOLOGY: Ordovician sandstone, quartzite, slate, conglomerate,

limestone. Ordovician - Silurian sandstone, siltstone, chert, phyllite, slate, conglomerate. Silurian granite. Lower Devonian sandstone, siltstone, shale, acid and intermediate volcanics. Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Tertiary basalt, minor acid volcanics, fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands; alluvial, colluvial,

lacustrine and marine sand, silt, clay and gravel

ELEVATION: 180-455 m RELIEF: 50-350 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Minor lakes and lowland swamps, river terraces; floodplain

and associated minor floodplain landforms.

BOUNDARIES: Murumbidgee River to the South; Mt Cemon to the West;

Lachlan River to the northwest; Mt Bolero-Mt Ariah to Manna Mountain to the east-northeast; Lachlan River, Lake

Cargelligo to the north.

REFERENCES: Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cargelligo 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Dec 1985

NAME: NUMBER: COBAR 244

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating hills and plains

SOILS:

Red Earths; Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey

subsoils; Loamy soils; Brown calcareous earths. (Gn 2.11;

Gn 2.13; Dr 2.32 Gc 1.22; Um 1.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MY1,78; Mx2; Qc3,4; Fz1; DD3

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating hilly terrain with isolated higher rises; also known as Cobar peneplane, surrounded by the Western plains.

REGOLITH:

Quaternary fluvial, aeolian and residual sand, clay and gravel. Silcrete, silicified conglomerate. Aeolian red and

brown clayey sand and loam.

GEOLOGY:

Cambro-Ordovician schist, quartzite, phyllite, gneiss, metabasalt; Ordovician sandstone, quartzite, slate, conglomerate, limestone. Silurian granites. Lower Devonian acid and intermediate volcanics, siltstone, shale, Upper Devonian - Lower conglomerate, limestone. Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone, phyllite, schist. Tertiary fluvial sandstones, conglomerates. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands; alluvial colluvial, lacustrine and marine sand, silts,

clays and conglomerates

ELEVATION:

180-600 m 50-250 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Undulating hills; minor river/creek terraces.

BOUNDARIES:

Babinda Hill, Buckeroo Mountain to the east; Boona Mountains, Derriawong Mt, Black Range to the south-

southeast.

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Brinker (1969), Stannard (1962), David

(1950).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: ROTO NUMBER: 245

STYLE: Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Red earths, loamy soils (Gn2.13, Dr5.43, Um1.4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Mx2; Fz1

DESCRIPTION: Plains, sandy in the west, with a few scattered low rocky

hills and ridges. Some swamps, some kunkar.

REGOLITH: Quartz and ironstone gravels. Some kunkar

GEOLOGY: Lower Devonian acid and intermediate volcanics, sandstone,

siltstone, shale. Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist.

Tertiary aeolian and residual quartz sands.

ELEVATION: 180-309 m

RELIEF: Less than 5 m to 230 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Sand Dunes - east-west trending; flat plains; minor creeks

and associated terraces

BOUNDARIES: Lachlan River to the South; Yababungaba Range, Mt.

Nombinnie to Kilparney to the north; east side of Bogalo

Range to Warraway Mountain to the east.

REFERENCES: Packham (1969) TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cargelligo 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5 m OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

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NAME: IVANHOE NUMBER: 246

STYLE: Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Cracking clay, brown calcareous earths, crusty loamy soils

with red clay subsoils (Gc1.22; Dr1.43, Ug5.24)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: NC1; DD3; CC1

DESCRIPTION: Plains with melon-hole micro-relief in places, tracts of

dunes, box flats.

REGOLITH: Alluvial flats: sand silt clay and some gravel deposits.

Aeolian sand cover forming dune tracts. Clay-rich soils - highly plastic red variety and gypsiferous. Black clay, shales and very dark grey clays. Extensive economic gypsum

deposts

GEOLOGY: Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone,

shale, limestone, chert, phyllite, schist. Tertiary fluvial sandstone and conglomerate, underlain by Permian?

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand.

ELEVATION: Less than 200 m RELIEF: Less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Minor saline lakes east of Ivanhoe, east-west oriented sand

dunes in NE.

BOUNDARIES: Willandra Lakes system to the southeast; edge of dunes

South of Neckarboo Range to the north; edge of dunes west of Yabagungabra Range to the east; Manara Hills to the

west.

REFERENCES: Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra, Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ivanhoe 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

MANARA

NUMBER:

247

STYLE:

Depositional

SOILS:

Plains

Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils; Brown calcareous earths; Amorphous soils; loams (Gc1.22; Dr1.13;

Um1; Um5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD3, Fz1. F6, Na3

DESCRIPTION:

BASIC FORM:

Plains with melon-hole microrelief in places, tracts of

dunes, box flats.

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand with silt and clay derived from earlier levee deposits; dark grey and black clays with shiny prismatic appearence ('black clay shales'). Some red clayey soil

plains; copi ridges. Commercial gypsum mines.

GEOLOGY:

Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate over Permian ? sediments.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands

ELEVATION:

Less than 180 m Less than 6 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Isolated hills. Lakes - saline/gypsiferous. Floodplains and

associated minor landforms. Minor lunettes on east of

lakes.

BOUNDARIES:

Manara Hills to the east; Darnick Range to the south; Lakes east of Wenindae to the west; east edge of Darling meander

plain and Greenoughs Hill to the northeast

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Adelaide, Bourke, Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Manara 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

SCOPES RANGE

NUMBER:

248

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating plains

SOILS:

Cracking clays; brown calcareous earths; crusty loamy soils

with red clayey subsoils; red earths; sands (Ug5.3; Gc1.22;

Dr1; Gn2.13; Uc1.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD3; Mx37, CC19; Nb33; BA52; MM73,74

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating plain with numerous low sand ridges and dunes; associated clay flats and occasional high isolated hills on

plains.

REGOLITH:

Aeolian quartz sand mantle. Black and dark grey well structured clay soils. Red sandy clay soils. Alluvial deposits: sand, silt, clay and gravel from prior streams. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts (grey-

billy, porcellanite, quartzite, silified conglomerate)

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proterozoic Quartzite, schists, gneiss, amphibolite. Cambrian sandstone, limestone, shale, siltstone, comglomerate. Cambro-Ordovician sandstone, siltstone, chert. Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schists. Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone. Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Ferriginous, aluminious and

siliceous duricrust.

ELEVATION:

180-355 m

RELIEF:

Less than 5 m - 300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Isolated high hills, saline and gypsiferous lakes, NE trending low sand ridges and dunes. Floodplains and

associated minor landforms. Cane grass swamps.

BOUNDARIES:

Scopes Range to the south; Mt Murchison to the southeast; Bullo River overflow to the northeast; Noonthorangee and Bynguans Ranges to the east; plain below the Barrier Range to Mt Arrowsmith to the west and northwest

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Wopfner (1967), Brunker (1967)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

White Cliffs, Cobham Lake, Broken Hill, Wilcannia 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: NOONTHORANGEE

NUMBER: 249

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Rugged hilly terrain

SOILS: Cracking clays; crust loamy soils with red clayey subsoils;

red earths (Ug5.3; Dr1; Gn2.13; Uc1.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Fz51; MM73,74; Nb31; CC19; Mx37

DESCRIPTION: Rugged hilly terrain mainly on sandstone. Koonenberry

Mountain and the Coturandee Range are fault-bounded blocks.

REGOLITH: Peak Tank weathering profiles (bleached Precambrian

underlying silcrete). The degree of alteration decreases with depth, relict structures are better preserved at depth. Peak Tank ferricrete overlying Precambrian sandstones (containing west dipping cross-beds). 4.5 m maximum thickness northwest of Peak Tank: quartz pebble conglomerate and soft red pebbly sandstone underlying silcrete cappings (old gold sites). Fine gypsiferous sand and clay (1.2 m) exposed beneath silcrete near Nuntherungie Homestead. Gypsiferous soils, alluvium,

players, sandplains, dunes. Colluvium

GEOLOGY: Lower Proterozoic quartzite, schist, gneiss, amphibolite.

Cambrian sandstone, limestone, shale, siltstone, conglomerate. Cambro-Ordovician sandstone, siltstone, chert. Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual sands, ferruginous,

aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

ELEVATION: 180 m - 433

RELIEF: 100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Minor sand ridges, and sand dunes (NE trending).

BOUNDARIES: Approx 200 m + contour between Barrier Range and Warwick

Hills near White Cliffs.

REFERENCES: Rose (1974), Packham (1969), Brunker (1967), Watts (1978).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cobham Lake, Wilcannia, White Cliffs 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

WONGA NAME: 250 NUMBER:

Depositional STYLE:

BASIC FORM:

Plains

Brown calcareous earths; cracking clay; crusty, loamy soils SOILS:

with red clayey subsoils (Gc1.12, 1.22, 2.12; Dr1.43;

Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD3; NC1; CC1

Plains with melon-hole micro-relief in places, tracts of DESCRIPTION:

dunes, box flats.

Red sand soil plains, aeolian and residual quartz sand REGOLITH:

mantle. Alluvial sand silt, clay and some gravels mainly

derived from prior streams.

GEOLOGY: Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate; marine sandstone,

> siltstone, mudstone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; clay, silt, minor sand (residual some alluvial).

Quarternary evaporites: gypsum, halite, with clay.

ELEVATION: RELIEF:

Less than 180 m Less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Numerous very low sand ridges; minor salt and gypsum lakes;

Lowland swamps

BOUNDARIES:

Darnick Range to the northeast; Menindee Lakes and Great

Anabranch of Darling River to the northwest and west;

Murray River to the south and southwest.

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969) Adelaide 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Manara 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Journal of the

Soil Conservation Service of NSW, 10, p24-34 and 8, p173-

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: WALGETT NUMBER: 251

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Flat plains with low, flat conglomerate capped ridges.

SOILS: Cracking clays; hard setting and crusty loamy soils with brown clayey subsoils; red earths; hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils; grey earths; friable loams with

clayey subsoils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC16.17; Ro3; Nb5; My1; Oc12; MQ1; HG2; Rz1; Kh2; Kd1;

DESCRIPTION: Flat to undulating plains. Sand dunes and limited mantle

elevated above plains. Low ridges and buttes or small mesas, claypans lakes and internal drainage depressions -

slightly elevated areas.

REGOLITH: Extensive black soil plains, dune sand and residual quartz

sand mantle. Silicified conglomerate, quartzite and porcellanite. Precious opal. Extensive clayey silt and sand. Subsilcrete unconsolidated sediments. Parna deposits.

GEOLOGY: Minor Cambro-Ordovician metamorphics and quartzite; Minor

Upper Devonian - Lower Carboniferous sediments and metamorphics. Minor Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, limestone. Minor Silurian granite. Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial, lacustrine and marine sand, silt, clay and

gravel.

ELEVATION: 120-180 m RELIEF: 6-60 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Talus slopes, breakaways, low sand ridges and dunes,

claypans.

BOUNDARIES: Northwest side of Culgoa floodplain to the northwest;

Warren - Coonamble - Wee Waa - Maree to the east. Determined by combination of soil map units, CZCS imagery

and physiographic units.

REFERENCES: Offenberg (1967), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Bourke, Armidale and Canberra 1:1 m.
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m, Moree, Angledool, Narrabri 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

CLARE

NUMBER:

252

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS:

Cracking plains; crusty, loamy soils with red clayey

subsoil; brown calcareous earths (Gc1.22, Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

NC1; DD3; CC1; II2

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with some swamps.

REGOLITH:

Alluvial sand, silt, clay, and some gravels derived from prior streams; sand mantles; red plastic clay soils, clayey silt and sand. Kunkar and parna deposits. Gypsum and saline

lakes deposits.

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate; marine sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, clay, silt, minor sand (residual, some alluvial).

ELEVATION:

120-180 m

RELIEF:

Less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Lowland swamps and floodplains with associated minor

landforms; minor lunettes.

BOUNDARIES:

Willandra Lakes in part to northwest; West of Tyson Lake to the southeast; Gunnaramby swamp to the north; Barneys Lake

and Moolbong Creek to the north and northeast.

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969).

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Adelaide, Canberra 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

WAGGA NAME: 253 NUMBER:

Erosional/Depositional STYLE:

BASIC FORM: Plains

Hard setting loamy soil with mottled yellow subsoil or red-SOILS:

subsoil; red earths

Va16,17; My10; Oc7,3; Qb3; Qc3; Pb4,7; Oc1; Ub24; Qc1 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: Undulating country with broad slopes and low narrow, often

gravelly or stony ridges, passes into plains to the west with swampy depressions and ridges associated with prior

river systems

Alluvial clay, silt, sand and gravel. Black and red highly REGOLITH:

plastic and expanding clay soils. Thick colluvial wedges in

hilly slopes to plains. Alluvium up to 30 m thick

Mostly extensive combinations of Palaeozoic sediments, GEOLOGY:

volcanics, metamorphics and intrusives, covered in part by Tertiary fluvial sediments (sandstones, conglomerates) and by Cainozoic aeolian and residual sands. Tertiary basalt

ELEVATION: Less than 200 to 634 m

5-355 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Isolated hills on edge of plains, lowland swamps,

> floodplains and associated minor landforms; occasional lakes; levees, lunettes, ancestral stream courses. River

terraces. Alluvial and colluvial fans.

BOUNDARIES: Northern slopes of Victorian portion of Dividing Range

(edge of Murray Basin) to the south; Narrandera Range to the northwest; western side of Loddon Valley (Victoria) to

the west

REFERENCES: Packham (1969), Douglas and Ferguson (1976)

Canberra, Melbourne, Hamilton 1:1 m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

MOIRA LAKES NAME:

254 NUMBER:

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Large triangular area of swamp

SOILS: Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: OC1; CC3

DESCRIPTION: Alluvial plains of grey cracking clays. Swampy and

disorganised drainage

Thick alluvial sequences: sand silt clay and gravel derived REGOLITH:

from prior streams

GEOLOGY: Tertiary fluvial sandstones or conglomerates. Cainozoic

aeolian and residual quartz sands.

ELEVATION: Less than 200 m Less than 6 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: River floodplains and associated minor landforms; lakes.

Cadell fault block

BOUNDARIES: Bullatab Creek to the north; Edward River to the west;

Murray Annabranches elsewhere

REFERENCES: Packham (1969), Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Balranald 1:250 000, Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

DARTMOOR NAME:

255 NUMBER:

Depositional STYLE: BASIC FORM: Coastal Plain

Nomopodsols, sandy leptopodsols, solodic soils, swamp SOILS:

soils, rendzinas & terra rossas (Dy5.43, Uc2, Ug5.11,

Uc6.13)

Cb3; Ya22,13,12,6,4,3; Ca1; Ka1,2; E4; Qb1; Cb4, 2; E1-4 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Swampy coastal plain with clayey lagoon deposits. Swampy DESCRIPTION:

plain overlain in large areas by gentle dunes and sheets of white arid sand. Adjacent to coast indurated dunes of

calcareous sand and dunes of orange sand

Sequence of stranded beach ridges (Tertiary); silicified REGOLITH:

and ferruginised sands (Karoonda Surface); Ripon calcrete

Oligocene and Miocene polyzoal limestone of the Mt Cambier GEOLOGY:

Formation, overlain by indurated limestone dunes. Knight Group - oldest Tertiary sediments. Dartmoor, Tartwanp,

Gambier Formations.

ELEVATION:

30 to 60 m RELIEF: Less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Steep coastal dunes of calcareous sand; coastal swamps

South-west coast of Victoria to Portland. Inland boundef by **BOUNDARIES:**

the Kanaunka Fault - Monocline. Essentially boundaries are

composites of soil map units.

Blackburn (1959), Hills (1975), Parkin (1969) REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:1,m

Portland, Hamilton, Penola 1:250 000 GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Soil Conservation OTHER SOURCES:

Authority Bulletin TC 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: CASTERTON

NUMBER: 256

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Lateritized Tableland

SOILS: Prairie soils, chernozems, solodic soils, leptopodsols

(Ug5.1, Dy3.61)

Ka1-4; TC1-3 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Extensive fossil lateritized tableland, deeply dissected DESCRIPTION:

into underlying Palaeozoic. Igneous and sedimentary rocks

REGOLITH: Fossil laterite on the tableland. An upper reddened and

iron-rich zone which is frequently indurated, a mottled red and white zone and a lower pallid zone which is kaolin rich

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic fine-grained calcareous sediments. Tertiary

sediments and Permo-Carboniferous acid igneous rocks and

glacial deposits

ELEVATION: Tableland 180 to 300

RELIEF: 30 to 90 m on Tableland; 90 to 180 where dissected

MINOR LANDFORMS: Shallow swamps on tableland

BOUNDARIES: Within a circle described approximately by the Gognelg and

Wannon Rivers, essentially related to boundary lines of

soil map units

REFERENCES: Hills (1975)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:250 000; Hamilton 1:1 000 000 GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hamilton 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Soil Conservation

Authority Bulletin TC 3

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986 NAME: HAMILTON NUMBER: 257

STYLE: Erosional/volcanic BASIC FORM: Volcanic basalt plains

SOILS: Solodic soils, Chocolate soils, Prairie soils, Brown earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Va2, Tb1, HH1, GG1, Rd1, FF1, G1, Ub2, KE1, X7

DESCRIPTION: Lateritized basalt plains. In parts deeply dissected to expose underlying rocks. Volcanic scoria cones rise above

expose underlying rocks. Volcanic scoria cones rise above the plains, and are younger than the plains. Stony rises

and gilgai plains

REGOLITH: Deep kaolinitic weathering of the surface of the basalt,

resembling the classic laterite profile, with upper strongly reddened and friable zone, intermediate mottled zone and a lower pallid zone above altered rock. In some places laterite underlies the basalt. Ironstone nodules and

pellets are found in the soils

GEOLOGY: Pliocene to Holocene basalt

ELEVATION: 90 - 300 m
RELIEF: Mostly 6 - 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Crater lakes, including those that occupy maars. Lunettes

on the eastern shores of most relict lakes. Lava tunnels in

the basalt. Swamps on the plains

BOUNDARIES: Victorian highlands to the north, Tertiary marine

limestones of the coastal plains to the south. Closely related to soil map units and physiographic boundaries

REFERENCES: Hills (1975), Wellman (1972)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hamilton, Portland, Ballarat, Colac 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Soil Conservation Authority Bulletin TC3,

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, DLG, Jan 1986

NAME: OTWAY
NUMBER: 258

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Mountain Range

SOILS: Brown, yellow, Podzolic soils & Prairie soils. Solodic

soils (Dy 3.24)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ta1

DESCRIPTION: Mountainous range formed by large scale block-faulting

REGOLITH: Gravels and aeolian sands

GEOLOGY: Upper Mesozoic calcareous, feldspathic sedimentry rocks.

Overlain by Cainozoic gravels, sands, and sedimentary rocks

ELEVATION: 530 m (tops of ridges)

RELIEF: 180 to 365 metres

MINOR LANDFORMS: Minor river valleys and terraces; deep dissection; uplifted

area of initial subdued relief

BOUNDARIES: Lower northwest slopes of Otway Range, approx 200 m

elevation; Southern Ocean to the southeast and southwest. Boundary essentially physiographic and from soil map units

boundary

REFERENCES: Walker and others (1983), Hills (1975), Douglas and

Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Colac 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5 m
OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

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NUMBER:

259

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Low Plateau

SOILS:

Hard setting, loam or sand with mottled yellow clayey subsoil or mottled dark clayey subsoils; leached sandy

soils; yellow leached earths (Dy 3.21,3.41,3.61, Dy3.42,

Uc2.3, Gn2.34,1.74)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

EE1,2; Ub1; Ta2,3; Td6; Cb6; A1; Wa6

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected low plateau on Tertiary limestone and marl. No well defined drainage in many areas; water draining away through numerous sinkholes in the Tertiary limestone. On the inland flanks of the Otways, alluvial fans overlie the

REGOLITH:

Thin veneer of residual clay, calcareous dune rock and dune sand. Sediments of alluvial fans on the inland margin of

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary marine limestones and clays, covered by a thin veneer of residual clay, Pleistocene calcareous dune rock

and Recent dunes.

ELEVATION:

O to 244 m

RELIEF:

Generally 30 to 90 m, some 6 to 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Vertical cliffs at the coast, 30 to 60 m high, with many rock stacks, natural archs and narrow promentories. Controlled by strong jointing in Tertiary rocks in two

directions

BOUNDARIES:

Follow soil map unit boundaries which show some physiographic influence eg. Curdies Creek, Scott Creek, Kennedys Creek, Shansel Creek to NW, NNE. Boundary to south

is a physiographic/soil unit boundary.

REFERENCES:

Hills (1975) Hamilton 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Colac, Queenscliff 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: GRAMPIANS

NUMBER: 260

STYLE: Erosional
BASIC FORM: Mountain range

SOILS: Hard setting loamy or sandy soils with mottled yellow

subsoils; Leptopodsols, lithosols (Uc6.11, Dy5.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: D4; X2; Tb1; Va1

DESCRIPTION: Mountain range of Devonian - Carboniferous sandstone which

forms distinct cuestas. Flat lowlands on Palaeozoic shale, formed by differential erosion of shale. Sandstone forms long strike ridges. Granite intrusions in Victoria Valley

and Mt William

REGOLITH: Alluvium: sand, silt and clay deposits in vales and lowland

swamplands. Colluvial deposits and fans developed on dip

and scarp slopes. Thick sandy soils in lowlands.

GEOLOGY: Upper Devonian to Lower Carboniferous sandstones and

shales. Devonian granites

ELEVATION: Up to 1200 m RELIEF: 150 m plus.

MINOR LANDFORMS: Cuestas and vales resulting from differential erosion of

alternating inclined strata. Lowland swamps in vales.

Structural benches developed on scarp slopes.

BOUNDARIES: Black Range slopes to the west; southern end of Serra Range

to the south; Mt Stapyton, Lower east slopes of Mt Williams to the east. Related in part to some units of the Atlas of

Australian Soils

REFERENCES: Hills (1975), Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Hamilton, Ballarat 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Soil Conservation

Authority of Victoria Bulletin TC 4.

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: LITTLE DESERT

NUMBER: 261

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Dune covered sandplain

SOILS: Sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: X4

DESCRIPTION: Plains with areas of dunes and ranges of sand hills.

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand, weathered and hardened to red-brown sandstone, otherwise loose siliceous sand deposits formed

sandstone, otherwise loose siliceous sand deposits formed into dunes trending east-west. Lateritised underlying

Parilla Sand.

GEOLOGY: Tertiary aeolian and residual sands over Tertiary marine

sandstone, siltstone and mudstone. East west oriented dunes

are common only in the east

ELEVATION: 90 i

RELIEF: Less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: North-south trending ancient stranded beach ridges of

siliceous sand

BOUNDARIES: Round Hill swamp to the south; Wimmera River to the east;

Naracoote Range to the west; southern limit of Peechember Swamp to the north. Related to soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES: Hills (1975), Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Horsham 1:250 000; Australia 1:2.5
OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: BIG DESERT

NUMBER: 262

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Dune covered sandplains

SOILS: White sand, cracking clays, leached sandy soil, sandy soil

with mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Uc2.2; Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: X4; C2; CC9

DESCRIPTION: Complex array of east-west trending dunes, unoriented dunes

and intervening sandplains. Hummocks of variable dimensions also occur. Unoriented dunes, parabolic and transverse

dunes with active crests.

REGOLITH: Parabolic sand dunes of highly siliceous (<98 % quartz

grains) greyish-yellow sand. The underlying plain is

composed of calcrete and lateritised Parilla Sand.

GEOLOGY: Tertiary aeolian, fresh water and marine deposits to a

depth of 300 m or more. 'Lowan Sand'

ELEVATION: 90 m

RELIEF: less than 6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Many ephemeral salt lakes (salinas) with bordering dunes or

a lunette on the cresent-shaped eastern shore of the lake.

BOUNDARIES: Peechember Swamp to the south; Lake Hindmarsh to west of

Lake Tyrrell to the east; Mt Rescue to the West; tract between Lameroo and Ouygen forms northern limit of Big Desert and also southernmost limit of Sunset Desert.

Related to soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES: Hills (1975), Laut and others (1977) [2.3.3], Douglas and

Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Adelaide, Hamilton 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Ouyen 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Soil Conservation

Authority Bulletin TC 2

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME: SUNSET DESERT

NUMBER: 263

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Dunefields and sandplains

SOILS: Sand soils with weak profile development, sandy soils with

mottled yellow clayey subsoils, highly calcareous loamy

earths (Uc5.11,5.12; Dy5.83; Gc1.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AA1, Yb1, Lb5

DESCRIPTION: East-west trending dunes, unoriented dunes, and intervening

sandplains. Most of the unit has unoriented dunes with

narrow interdune corridors

REGOLITH: Highly siliceous greyish yellow sand. Underlying plain is

composed of calcrete

GEOLOGY: Tertiary aeolian, fresh water, and marine deposits of the

Murray Basin

ELEVATION: 50 - 100 m

RELIEF: Sand ridges 7 to 16 m, otherwise less than 6

MINOR LANDFORMS: Several large plains of sandy loam (Sunset, Birthday and

Mapoke) surrounded by dunefields

BOUNDARIES: Edge of dunefields (closely related to soil map units)

REFERENCES: Hills (1975), Laut & others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Adelaide 1:1m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Mildura 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Soil Conservation Authority Bulletin TC2,

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, DLG, Jan 1986

MALLEE

NUMBER:

264

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Aeolian covered riverine plains
Brown calcareous earths and highly calcareous brown loamy

earths; Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils;

cracking clays (Dy5.42, Gc1.12 & .22; Dr2.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD1-7; Lb4, P1-7; CC8 & 9

DESCRIPTION:

Very gently undulating, to flat aeolian sand covered depositional plain of the central-southern Murray Basin

REGOLITH: East-west linear dunes, regularly spaced with cusp-like

crests which are consistently steeper on the southern side. Up to four buried paleosols within the dune. Dunes composed of pale to dark reddish-brown calcareous sand with

some clay fraction

GEOLOGY:

Surface fluviatile and aeolian deposits underlain by

Tertiary marine sediments of the Murray Basin

ELEVATION:

60 to 150 m

RELIEF:

Less than 6 m. Sand ridges 6 to 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Many ephemeral salt lakes (salinas) with source-bordering dunes or a lunette on the crescent shaped eastern shore of the lake. Gypsum playas formed on extensive ancient lake beds. North-south ancient stranded beach ridges of siliceous sand weathering and hardening on the surface to a

red-brown sandstone

BOUNDARIES:

To the south the dark grey clay plains of the Wimmera; to the west the Big, Little & Sunset Deserts; to the east the Gredgwin Ridges near the Loddon River. Boundaries are

closely related to soil map units

REFERENCES:

Blackburm (1959), Hills (1975)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Hamilton, Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mildura, Ouyen, Swan Hill, Horsham 1:250 000; Australia

1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils, Soil Conservation

Authority Bulletin TC 2

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT. MC. Jan 1986

BENDIGO

NUMBER:

265

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected or undulating highlands

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy3.41); Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dy3.41 & .42, Dr2.22 & .32 & .21, Dy 2.21,

Dr2.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb1; S1; Va1; Pb3

DESCRIPTION:

An elevated highlands region with undulaiting hills and residual mountain masses of resistant rock. Newer volcanic eruptions (200 centres recognized) generated mamelons,

small strato-volcanoes and scoria cones.

REGOLITH:

Deep weathering profiles in places

GEOLOGY:

Mostly, extensive lower Palaeozoic sediments, volcanics, intrusives. Minor cover by Tertiary fluvial sediments (sandstone, conglomerate), and by Cainozoic clay, silt, and minor residual and some alluvial deposits. Some Quaternary basalts, minor pyroclastics. Sub-basaltic siliceous

sediments are rare.

ELEVATION:

20 to 380 m but up to 1200 m on mountains

RELIEF:

90 to 180 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Crater lakes in maars and calderas.

BOUNDARIES:

The Camel's Hump, Mt Macedon to Tallorook to the southeast; approx 200 m elevation contour on Murray Basin plain to north; Wimmera plain to the northwest; Grampians to the west; Mt Weejort to the south, and Southern slopes of Dividing Range towards Rokewood. Essentially follows soil

map boundaries

REFERENCES:

Hills (1975)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Hamilton, Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

St Arnaud, Bendigo, Ballarat 1:250 000 CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWABEGAR

NUMBER:

266

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Sandy soil with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy5.43;

Dy5.42); Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils

(Dr2.32)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ya25; X11; OC12

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to undulating terrain with southern portion comprising

slopes approaching Warrumbungle Range.

REGOLITH:

Extensive black soil plains (minor red clay soils); plastic and expanding clay soils derived from weathering volcanics.

Alluvial sand, silt, clay and some gravel

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous shale, sandstone, siltstone and limestone. Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial, lacustrine and marine sand,

clay, silt and gravel

ELEVATION:

150-220 m

RELIEF:

10-50 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor river courses, sandy terraces; eroded remnants of

Warrumbungle range

BOUNDARIES:

Cattabri-Kenebri to east; Billiga-Gilgooma to west on Walgett plain; Namoi River to north-northwest; Teridgerie Creek to the south southwest. Defined by CZCS pattern and

soil map boundaries

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Jensen (1906, 1907)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

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NAME:

MORNINGTON

NUMBER:

267

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Hilly to mountainous rocks separated by coastal plains Soils of minimal development (Uc 1); leached sandy soils (Uc 2), Plastic clay (Uf 6), Red friable porous earth (Gn 4.11), Dark friable porous earth (Gn 4.41), Hard setting soil with yellow mottled clayey subsoil (Dy 3.21, 3.42).

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb1-21; Cb9,15,23; Mg7,2; I3; Ub20,23; Rg1; A4; Ca5, B7;

Wc5; M11

DESCRIPTION:

Hilly to mountainous tracts separated by sunken coastal

plains

REGOLITH:

Alluvial deposits consisting of sand, silt and clay; minor

colluvium; aeolian sand along coastal fringe.

GEOLOGY:

Complex of Mesozoic fault blocks, Palaeozoic granite and sediments, minor patches of alluvium. Cainozoic sand and

gravel ('Piedmon & Downs' - Talent, 1969).

ELEVATION:

Less than 200 to 460 m

RELIEF:

20-300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Floodplains and minor floodplain features; minor river terraces; coastal dunes and swamps, cliffs etc.

BOUNDARIES:

Bass Strait to the south; Dividing range southern slopes to the north; Port Phillip Bay to the west; Hymn and Hedly to the east: essentially physiographic boundaries.

REFERENCES:

Hills (1975)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Queenscliff, Warragul, Melbourne 1:250 000 CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: NUMBER: SALE 268

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal Plains

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soil with mottled yellow clayey subsoil; Sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils. Organic

peat soil. (Dy 3.42 & .43, Dy 5.41 & .42, Uf 6)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb14, 18; X8; Ub29; Wa4; Cb14; Va3; 25; I2; Ca4

DESCRIPTION:

Coastal Plains underlain by marine Tertiary rocks, also erosional and alluvial plains. Pleistocene serial sand ridges cover much of the plain. The lakes of the Gipsland Lakes system lie behind the beach-barrier system of Ninety-

Mile beach.

REGOLITH:

Alluvial deposits (sand, silt, clay) in central portion. Colluvial deposits approaching the Dividing Range and aeolian sands along coastal fringe of unit. Lacustrine, tidal flat and marsh deposits, deltaic deposits, and

barrier and bay deposits

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary and Quarternary lagoonal deposits. Tertiary marine

sediments

ELEVATION:

0 to 200 m

RELIEF:

Less than 6 m to 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Lakes and lagoons; swamps and fluvial floodplains and associated landforms; coastal landforms and dune systems.

Deltaic landforms

BOUNDARIES:

Basically area between the 200 m contour and the coast. CZCS imagery pattern also used. Bass Strait and Tasman sea

to south. Great Dividing range to north

REFERENCES:

Hills (1975), Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Warragul, Sale, Bairnsdale 1:250 000 CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: NUMBER: WIMMERA 269

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Depositional plains of the Murray system

SOILS:

Dark grey cracking clays (Ug5.2); Coherent sandy soils (Uc 6); Sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 5.

42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

CC4, 8, 9; X5; D3

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to very gently undulating depositional plain of the southern Murray Basin, characterised by dark grey clay

soils with gilgai

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand sheets and sand ridges; fluvial sand, silt clay; Siliceous lateritised red brown sands; some caliche

development, sandy clays, gypsum, halite

GEOLOGY:

Beneath young fluviatile sediments lie marine Tertiary sedimentry rocks of the Murray Basin. Beneath these sedimentary cover rocks is a basemnt of Paleozoic sediments

and granites.

ELEVATION:

90 to 180 m Less than 6 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

North-south siliceous sand ridges weathering and hardening on surface to a red-brown sandstone are an ancient sequence of stranded beach ridges. Numerous small lakes (salinas) with lunettes on the eastern shore. Dunes of deep siliceous

sand occur close to some creek and river channels

BOUNDARIES:

Boundary with Mallee country defined by soils and vegetation. Wimmera is grey clay and Savannah woodland; Mallee is sandy soils and mallee. Bounded to the south by bedrock outcrops of the Highlands; to the west by the valley of the Glenelg and its tributaties and to the east the western edge of the flood plain of the Lodden river - physiographic boundaries to southeast but soil map unit

boundaries elsewhere

REFERENCES:

Blackburn (1959), Hills (1975)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Hamilton, Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

LAMINGTON

NUMBER:

270

STYLE:

Volcanic

BASIC FORM:

Basalt plateaux and plateau remnants

SOILS:

Dark cracking clays (Ug5.4, 5.16). Dark friable porous earths (Gn4.41,4.42, 4.11). Red sandy soils with mottled

yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 5.61).

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

M12; Wc6; Mg27; NN1; Kf1.

DESCRIPTION:

A dissected basalt plateau resulting in several plateaux and plateau remnants. The plateau surface is undulating to hilly with some steep slopes and scarps. The plateau edge has steep slopes, often slumped, with small floodplains

along the incised stream valleys

REGOLITH:

Tertiary diatomite and common and precious opal associated with volcanics. Expansive red and black clay soils; colluvial deposits at foot of steeper slopes. Alluvial deposits and small floodplains in river valleys, some

terraces

GEOLOGY:

Tertiary basalt flows overlying lithic and quartz sandstone, siltstone, shale of the Clarence-Morton Basin

(Jurassic-Cretaceous)

ELEVATION:

0-1204 m

RELIEF:

180 to over 1000 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Steep narrow stream valleys. Part of overall radial drainage network on shield pile. Numerous minor landslips on steep slopes composed of clay rich soils derived from weathered basalts and associated volcanics

BOUNDARIES:

Based on CZCS imagery, soils and topographic boundaries: Richmond-MacPherson Ranges to the west; Tweed-MacPherson

Range to the east

REFERENCES:

Markham and Basden (1974), Skeats (1914), Relph (1958),

Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

CLARENCE

NUMBER:

271

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hilly coastal uplands

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 3.41); Sandy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 5.61); Friable loamy soils (Um 6.11); Cracking clays (Ug 5.4, 5.16); Friable loams with clay

subsoil (Dg 4.11); Calcareous sands (Uc 01.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tb55-6; We8; Gb14, NN1; Ny1; Ag9

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to hilly coastal uplands with some areas of steep hilly to rugged terrain. Intervening valleys and swampy areas in undulating areas, and steep-sided valleys

in more rugged terrain

REGOLITH:

Ironstone gravels. Diatomite, with porcellaneous and opaline gradations, talus slopes. Extensive alluvial deposits near coastal region. Alluvium consists mostly of silt but with some boulder beds. Dune and beach sands rich in heavy minerals comprise coastal zone. 9m thick

beachrock

GEOLOGY:

Lithic and quartz sandstone, siltstone, shale of the

Clarence-Moreton Basin (Jurassic-Cretaceous)

ELEVATION:

0 to 650 m

RELIEF:

5-450 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Talus slopes, river floodplain and associated landforms, coastal dunes; swamps and lakes; beach sand dunes and rock

platforms and other associated coastal landforms

BOUNDARIES:

The coast from Woolgoolga to Byron Bay. Foothills of Bushmans and Gibraltar Ranges west of Clarence River. Boundary is primarily physiographic with influence from

combined soil map units

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Markham & Basden (1974)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MOLE 272

NUMBER: STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plateaus

SOILS:

Leached sand soils (Uc 2.3). Hard setting soils with

mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 3.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Cb30; Ub54 Planation surface cutting across Mole granite and Permo-

Carboniferous sedimentry rocks forming the Mole, McKenzie and Bolivia plateaus. The plateaux are relatively small and undissected with a steep break between plateaus and

surrounding slopes

REGOLITH:

Weathered kaolinised granite; granite saprolite and grus

mantles: sandy alluvial deposits; deep leads of economic

GEOLOGY:

Permian Mole granite and Permo-Carboniferous sediments

ELEVATION:

Plateaux 1000 m

RELIEF:

500 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Tors and large scale joint blocks

BOUNDARIES:

Physiographic and soil map unit boundary. Sugarloaf Mountain and Mosman Peak; Mt Mackenzie and Bolivier Hill. Areas is bounded by Beardy and Dumaresque Rivers and

Tenterfield, as well as Mole and Deepwater Rivers.

REFERENCES:

Ollier (1984), Andrews (1903), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Armidale 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

LOUTH NAME: 273 NUMBER:

STYLE: Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain with occasional hills

Brown Calcareous earths (alkali trends) Gn 2.13 SOILS:

Mx1-8SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: Plains with isolated hills, rare sand ridges, clay plains,

alluvial plains and floodplains Generally area is low

relief and undulating; some internal drainage

REGOLITH: Silicified conglomerate, quartzite, porcellanite (grey

billy or silcrete); sand and gravel, aeolian sands, clayey sand and loams, clayey silt. Some pisolitic textured siliceous rocks. Sand plains: red sand and silt with kopi and kunkar; some sand ridges rich with clay. Clayey red

loam floodplain and alluvial deposits

Cambro-Ordovician metamorphics, quartzite; GEOLOGY: Ordovician

sediments; Devonian sediments; Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, chert. Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Cainozoic alluvial, colluvial, and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel.

Aeolian and residual quartz sands. Silcrete, evaporites

ELEVATION: Less than 200 to 497 m

RELIEF: 5-300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Isolated hills on plain; clay pans; sand ridges;

floodplains

BOUNDARIES: Based on soil map unit boundary and influence by

physiographic region

REFERENCES: Packham (1969), Brunker (1968)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Bourke 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC. GT Jan 1986

MILVALE-FORBES

NUMBER:

274

STYLE:

Erosional-depositional

BASIC FORM:

Hilly plains

SOILS:

Cracking clays (Ug 5.15, 5.16, 5.24, 5.25), Hard setting loams with red clay subsoil (Dr 2.22, Dr 2.33), Red earths (Gn 2.11, 2.12, Gn 2.15), Yellow earths (Gn 2.21), Hard

setting loams with lower clayey subsoils (Db 1.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ob11-13; My11; Oc9-13; Mul; Ra3; My13; Ms1; CC16

DESCRIPTION:

Rolling hills and plains with occasional swamps on wide

floodplains

REGOLITH:

Mainly alluvium and floodplain clays, silt, sands with rarer gravels; some lacustrine silt and clays. Tallus

slopes coalescing (Bahadas)

GEOLOGY:

Palaeozoic sedimentary rock, various acid and basic volcanics, metamorphics and intrusives. Cainozoic alluvium,

and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravels.

ELEVATION:

200-500 m 20-300 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Volcanic neck remnant in the vicinity of Warrumbungle area.

Floodplains and associated minor landforms

BOUNDARIES:

In part, related to CZCS image patterns, soil map unit boundaries and physiographic regions. Harveys and Sappa Bulga Ranges to the east; Gunning Range-Bold Hill to the

south; Warrumbungles to the northeast

REFERENCES:

Basden and others (1974), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

HARDEN

NUMBER:

275

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating slopes

SOILS:

Red Earths (Gn 2.15, 2.14); Hard setting loamy soils with

mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Dy 3.42); Hard setting loamy

soil with red clayey subsoil (Dr 2.12; 2.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mu1; Ub42,40; Pb8; Mw15; Qb8

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating to rolling country with some hilly ridges and

knolls dotted with tors.

REGOLITH:

Alluvial clay deposits in Harden district (refractory grade). Diamondiferous alluvial deposits as well as sapphire bearing gravel; plentiful commercial sand and

gravel deposits of the Murrumbidgee River near Jugiong

GEOLOGY:

Cambro-Ordovician metamorphics, quartzites, metabasalt; Lower Devonian sediments, volcanics, granitic intrusives; Devonian ultramafics; Silurian volcanics and granitic

intrusives

ELEVATION:

500-800 m

RELIEF:

300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Isolated hills, tors

BOUNDARIES:

Primarily determined by CZCS imagery patterns but influenced by soil map unit boundries. Little physiographic

influence. Honeysuckle to Crowther Range too the southwest;

northwest slopes of Mundoonan Range to the east

REFERENCES:

Basden and others (1974), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Canberra 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MITCHELL NAME: 276 NUMBER:

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Range country and sloping plain

Red Earths (Gn 2.11, 12.14, 15); Yellow Earths (Gn 2.21); SOILS: Friable Red Earths (Gn 3.12); Hard setting loamy soil with

mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Dy 3.14, 3.42); Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.41, 2.22; Dr

4.12)

My11; Ms1; Ms2; Mu8; Mw12; Mo3; Ub51,43-40,45; Qb17,16; SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Qr1; Pd4;

Rolling to steep hilly range country. Tors and gravelly DESCRIPTION:

ridges, rock outcrops. Narrow undulating valleys.

Diatomaceous earth, deep leads and laterites beneath REGOLITH:

Tertiary basalts. Miocene surface at about 600 m at Alluvial deposits of Lachlan-Maquarie River Wellington. systems; terraces: sand silt gravels and clays. Red and black-brown plastic expansive clays derived from weathering volcanics. Rubies in deep leads near Wellington. Diamonds

found but no deep lead affinity

GEOLOGY: Ordovician intermediate and basic volcanics, sediments.

Ordovician-Silurian sediments. Silurian acid volcanics and granitic intrusives. Lower Devonian acid and intermediate volcanics, granitic intrusives. Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary fluvial sandstones, conglomerate. Tertiary basalt with minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION: 300-900 m 100-400 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Residual hills and cuestas; minor landslips; colluvial fans **BOUNDARIES:**

Composite boundaries guided by CZCS imagery patterns and groups of soil map units with physiographic units of lesser influence. Waraderry, Harveys and Sappa Bulga Ranges to the west. Various hills and ridges between Boorwa-Orange-Wellington townships to the east. Mundoonen Range to the

south. Macquarie River to the north.

REFERENCES: Packham (1969), Markham and Basden (1974)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC. GT Jan 1986

BINNAWAY

NUMBER:

277

STYLE:

Erosional/Volcanic

BASIC FORM:

Mountainous and rugged hills

SOILS:

Red Earths (Gn 2.11); Yellow Earths (Gn 2.21); Friable

loamy soils (Um 6.11); Cracking clays (Ug 5.12, 5.15, 5.16)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mz2; Ms1; Gb11; Ke9; Kd3

DESCRIPTION:

Hilly to rugged terrain merging into mountainous terrain highly dissected and eroded in area of Warrumbungle

volcanic complex

REGOLITH:

Alluvium: sand and pebbles overlain by beds of black soil, sand and sandy loam with clay. High level sandy clay alluvial terraces of castle Castlereagh River. Alluvial fan deposits on very steep slopes. Various red and black sandy sand clay and loam soils developed on sediments or

volcanics

GEOLOGY:

Middle Palaeozoic acid intrusives and sediments. Jurassic intermediate and basic volcanics and sediments. Triassic-Jurassic sediments. Tertiary basalts and minor acid

volcanics. Cainozoic alluvium, colluvium

ELEVATION:

RELIEF:

400-1000 m 100-400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Residual hills associated with volcanics of Warrumbungle Mountains and Ranges; deeply dissected stream valleys,

colluvial fans, landslips, alluvial terraces

BOUNDARIES:

Determined, in part, by soil map unit boundaries in combination with CZCS imagery patterns and to a much lesser extent by physiographic elements. Macquarie River to the south; Dividing Range to the southeast; Warrumbungle Range to the northwest; Wallumburrawang Creek to the west

and northwest

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Kenny (1963) Canberra and Bourke 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC. GT Jan 1986

NAME: SNOWY RIVER

NUMBER: 278

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Steep sided V-shaped gorge

SOILS: Duplex soils, loamy hard setting with red clayey subsoils

(Dr 2.21); Brown friable porous earths (Gn 4.31); loamy

soils (Um 4.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Pb4; Mh; LL1

DESCRIPTION: Mountainous with deeply incised gorge of Snowy River

REGOLITH: Colluvium and alluvium (sand, silt, gravels and minor

clay). Granite saprolite, and grus mantles. Red and brown

plastic clays associated with weathered volcanics

GEOLOGY: Ordovician-Silurian slate, siltstone, chert, phyllite,

sandstone, conglomerate. Lower Devonian granite, acid and intermediate volcanics. Silurian granite. Tertiary basalt,

minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION: 180-1500 m RELIEF: 250-1000 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Steep narrow river valleys and alluvial plains

BOUNDARIES: Boundaries derived from CZCS imagery. and physic

Boundaries derived from CZCS imagery, and physiographic setting of Snowy River Gorge. Suggan Bugan and Charcoal Ranges to the northwest; Mt Deddick and parts of Dividing

Range to the east and northeast

REFERENCES: Packham (1969)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Melbourne 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Melbourne 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

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NAME: WEST WYALONG

NUMBER: 279

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Gently undulating hills and plains

SOILS: Red Earths (Gn 2.12; 15); Hard setting loamy soil with red

clayey subsoils (Dr 2.22; 32; 33), Hard setting loamy soils

with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 3.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Qb7; Ra3; Mu1; My11,9; Oc9; Va18; Qc3

DESCRIPTION: Gently undulating hilly plains with occassional isolated

higher hills

REGOLITH: Thick alluvial deposits of major rivers at Gundagai; minor

alluvial terraces and flats along creeks

GEOLOGY: Cambro-Ordovician metamorphics. Ordovician sandstone,

siltstone, quartzite, slate, conglomerate, granite, acid volcanics. Lower Devonian granites, sandstone, siltstone, shale, ultramafics. Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Cainozoic alluvial colluvial

and lacustrine, sands, silts, clays and gravels

ELEVATION: 200-765 m RELIEF: 200-300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Isolated hills on undulating hilly plain. Minor floodplains

and floodplain landforms

BOUNDARIES: Primarily delineated by CZCS imagery pattern, with little

influence from soil map units or physiographic units

REFERENCES: Packham (1969), Basden and others (1974)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Canberra 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: WYANDRA NUMBER: 280

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My4

DESCRIPTION: Plains with occasion low sand dunes, interspersed with

lower lying areas of claypans marking a disintegrated prior

drainage systems

REGOLITH: Sand - probably originally alluvial, but with aeolian

reworking. Alluvial/lacustrine clay and silt in claypans

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: ? - 290

RELIEF: Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Active drainage of Warrego unit to west and south. Boundary

with Charleville unit to northeast is from CZCS imagery, and result of presence of silcrete rubble in the latter

unit

REFERENCES: Gunn & Galloway (1978), Mabbutt (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Wyandra, Charleville 1:250 000; Central Eromanga, Northern

Surat Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, CSIRO Land Research Series No 34

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, GT, Nov 1985

NAME: COLLARENEBRI

NUMBER: 281

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Red Earths (Gn 2.12), Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 25), Hard

setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My3; CC17; Oc21

DESCRIPTION: Extensive flat plains with numerous river courses and

floodplains throughout

REGOLITH: Thick alluvial deposits: sand, silt, clay and gravel.

Black, grey and red plastic and expanding clay soils

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial,

colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel

ELEVATION: Less than 200 m
RELIEF: Less than 5 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Floodplain landforms

BOUNDARIES: Primarily defined by CZCS imagery patterns and soil map

unit boundaries. Little influence from physiographic units: Barwon River and annabranches to the east; Sparkes,

Warrambool, Moonie Rivers to the west

REFERENCES: Packham (1969)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Bourke 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

FINKE NAME: 282 NUMBER:

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Floodplain

Grey siliceous loams & grey self-mulching cracking clays SOILS:

(Ug 5.24, 5.25, 5.28), Crusty loamy soils with red clayey

subsoils (Dr 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B59; CC112,10; Nb26

DESCRIPTION: A broad floodplain with anastamosing channels, partly

overlain by dunes

Alluvial and residual sand and silt; aeolian sand REGOLITH:

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual-quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial, and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel.

Quaternary gypsum, halite and clay

ELEVATION: 150 m <6 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Linear N-S dune systems and 'y' shaped dune systems

Mainly physiographic; determined by edge of sand plain to **BOUNDARIES:**

west and interrupted dune pattern to east. The Macumba River to the south. Some influence from Laut's boundaries

Laut and others (1977) [8.4.11] REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Oodnadatta 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: **BOOGARA** NUMBER: 283

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Flat to undulating plain Red Earths (Gn 2.12), Siliceous sands (Uc 1.2), Cracking SOILS:

clays (Ug 5.24; 25), Hard setting loamy soils with brown

clayey subsoils (Db .33, 43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My3; B10; CC17; RO4; Si2; Wa13

DESCRIPTION: Undulating terrain with low rises and isolated hills above

plains approaching floodplains of the Barwar, Moonie and

Macintyre River systems

REGOLITH: Silcrete outcrops. Thick alluvial and aeolian quartz sand

deposits, ferruginous, aluminous and silceous duricrusts

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial, and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel;

ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION: up to 330 m Less 50 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Floodplains and associated landforms

Essentially physiographic unit boundaries with some BOUNDARIES:

influence from soil map units

REFERENCES: Gunn & Galloway (1978)

Bourke, Armidale 1:1 m; Goondiwindi, St George 1:250 000 TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

CSIRO Land Research Series No 34, Landsat imagery, CZCS OTHER SOURCES:

imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

MC, GT Jan 1986 COMPILER:

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NUMBER:

284

STYLE:

Depositional?

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS:

Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 25), Brown self mulching clays (Ug 5.32, 34, 37, 38); Hard setting loamy soil with red clayey subsoil (Dr 2.33), Hard setting loamy soils with brown

clayey subsoils (Db 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

RO4; MM2; Oc21; CC20

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating cracking clay plains with moderate to

strong (75 cm) gilgai micro-relief

REGOLITH:

Silcrete pavement, coarse nodular laterite, weathering

profile (Yuleba Hardpan)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial, and lacustrine: sand, silt, clay and gravel; ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust. Tertiary

fluvial sand and conglomerate

ELEVATION:

280 to 300 m

RELIEF:

5-50 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Floodplains and associated landforms

BOUNDARIES:

Primarily based on soil map unit boundaries but also influenced by CZCS imagery patterns and to a lesser extent physiographic boundaries. Christmas Creek to the west;

Monnie River to the south; Balonne River to the north;

REFERENCES:

Van Dijk & Beckmann (1978), Gunn & Galloway (1978) Charleville, Brisbane 1:1 m; Surat & Dalby 1:250 000

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 34, Landsat imagery, CZCS

imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

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NUMBER:

285

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Plains

Cracking clays (Ug 5.32, 33, 34; 37, 38); Hard setting loamy soils with brown clayey subsoils (Db 1.43, 33); Loamy

proto soil (Um 1.4); Red earths (Gn 2.120; Hard setting

loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MM4; RO4; F21, My3; Oc21

DESCRIPTION:

Gently undulating plains with occasional high ridges and

cuesta like scarps

REGOLITH:

Often surface scattering of ironstone gravel. Some

ferruginous rock outcrops

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel; ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust. Tertiary

fluvial sandstone, conglomerate

ELEVATION:

200-425 m

RELIEF:

5-50 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Mostly minor floodplains and associated landforms near edges of units; small alluvial deposits associated with

creeks. Isolated hills on plains.

BOUNDARIES:

Primarily determined by soil map unit boundaries; some composite, boundaries with influence from physiographic units and CZCS imagery: Balonne River to the north and northwest; Christmas Creek and Thomby Range to the east;

Monnie River to the south

REFERENCES:

Gunn & Galloway (1978)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Charleville 1:1 m, Surat 1:250 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 34, Landsat imagery, CZCS

imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

BEARDMORE

NUMBER:

286

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

Siliceous sands (Uc1.2); Cracking clays (Ug5.24, 5.25). SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

OC21; CC20; B10

DESCRIPTION:

Very gently undulating plains or occasional low flat

terraces fringing drainage lines

REGOLITH:

Alluvial deposits associated with major river courses, and

aeolian and residual quartz sand mantles

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous shale, sandstone, siltstone, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand

ELEVATION:

210-250m 5-50 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low dunes, sandy banks and flat sandy rises slightly

elevated above plain and along major drainage lines

BOUNDARIES:

Determined essentially by soil map unit boundaries and physiographic units. A triangular region bounded by Maranoa River to the west-southwest and Balonne River to the east-

southeast

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Charleville 1:1 m, Surat, Homeboin 1:250 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CSIRO Land Research Series No 34, Landsat imagery, CZCS

imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT, MC, Jan 1986

NAME:

BRIDGETOWN

NUMBER:

287

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected plateaus

SOILS:

Ironstone gravelly yellow mottled soil with gravel,

ironstone

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Tc5, Jz2

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected plateaus, extensive blocky laterite, some swamps

and old drainage lines

REGOLITH: **GEOLOGY:**

Deep weathering profile with mottled zones and ironstone Precambrian granite with minor metamorphics, sand (Albany-

Fraser Province, Yilgarn Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 150 m

RELIEF:

30-120 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Swamps, drainage ways, some coastal plains

BOUNDARIES:

South coast, Darling Fault scarp, NE boundary based on

rugged dunes

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landform and Relief map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 5 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: KUMBARILLA

NUMBER: 288

Erosional STYLE:

Undulating to hilly plains BASIC FORM:

Hard setting loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey SOILS:

subsoils (Dy 3.43); Cracking Clays (Ug 5.16, 24, 25); Hard setting loams with darker clayey subsoils (Dd 1.33); leached sand soil (Uc 2.2); Sandy soils with mottled yellow

clayey subsoil (Dy 5.41); loams (Um 1.4)

Va24; Kf14; HG3; Ca8; Wa13; Fz2 & 3; C20; CB1 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: Gently undulating plains with scattered high stony ridges,

scarps and lateritized mesas. Some areas of low hills and

ranges

Lateritized rock on mesas tops. Various coloured Upper REGOLITH:

> Cainozoic sand deposits, some grits and sandy clay. Some sand lithified by carbonate or iron oxides; pebbles of quartzite and grey billy in coarser clastics. Sands up to 30 m thick. Various thick soils of 'Black Soil' affinity,

some carbonate-rich

GEOLOGY: Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Cretaceous shale,

> sandstone, siltstone, limestone. Tertiary fluvial sandstone and conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz

sand, ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION: 280-2117 m RELIEF: 30m-1500 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Isolated very high peaks in south of unit; northwest

> sloping plain; swamps and minor floodplains with associated landforms, numerous intermittant streams and sandy valley

bottoms.

BOUNDARIES: Primarily follow major soil map unit boundaries with close

physiographic relationship, some influence from CZCS

imagery patterns

Hill and Denmead (1960) REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Brisbane, Armidale 1:1 m

Australia 1:2.5 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES: Landsat imagery, CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: KOJONUP NUMBER: 289 STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Plateaus

SOILS: Yellow mottled soils with ironstone gravels

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ub90

DESCRIPTION: Rolling to hilly country

REGOLITH: Deep weathering profile with ferricrete

Precambrian granite with metamorphics (Yilgarn Block) GEOLOGY:

ELEVATION: Average 150 m 30-100 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Tors, lateritic mesas

BOUNDARIES: Southern boundary more rugged, Tertiary valley fill to the

REFERENCES:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m OTHER SOURCES:

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 5 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

GWD'A, Nov 1985 COMPILER:

PALLAMALLAWA

NUMBER:

290

STYLE:

Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM:

Undulating plains

SOILS:

Cracking Clays (Ug 5.15, 5.16; 5.13, 14, 24, 23, and Dd 1.33, Db 1.33); Leached sand soils (Uc 2.3); Hard setting

loamy soils with brown clayey subsoil (Db 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Kd4; Kh2; CB1; Oc20; KC5; RO2; CC16

DESCRIPTION:

Essentially an undulating plain with some isolated hills (Haystack Mountain, The Black Mountain) with a gentle west-

northwest slope

REGOLITH:

Thick alluvial deposits of sand, silt and clays; 'black soils' surrounding Mt Kaputar - Nandewar Ranges. Some soils developed on alluvials, others directly derived from weathered volcanics of region. Some aluminous. ferruginous and siliceous duricrusts, along with a variety of aeolian and residual quartz sand deposits. Minor occurrences of alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine deposits siltstone, mudstone.

GEOLOGY:

Jurassic sandstone, Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary basalt with minor acid volcanics. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Aluminous, ferruginous, and

siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION:

591

RELIEF:

20-320 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

River valleys and flood plains with associated minor landforms, some eroded landforms associated with volcanics

i.e. plugs/necks

BOUNDARIES:

Only minor influence from soil map units; physiographic nature of boundarz js more closely related to CZCS imagery Dumaresq River to the north; the Black Mountain, Cape and Bonnet Mountains together with the Mt Kaputar form the basis of eastern boundary; Western boundary is represented by a change in drainage density

REFERENCES:

Jensen (1907), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Armidale, Bourke 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Landsat imagery, CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC. Jan 1986



NAME: MACINTYRE

NUMBER: 291

Erosional STYLE: Hilly Terrain BASIC FORM:

Yellow Earths (Gn 2.21): Friable red earths (Gn 3.12); Hard SOILS:

setting soils, Loamy with mottled yellow clayey subsoil (Dy 3.42); loams (Um 5.4), Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 25, 13, 14,

15, 16)

MS1; Ub56, 59; F7; Ub62; CC20; LM1; MO8; JJ6; Kh3; KC5,4,3 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Low hilly terrain with some flat to undulating portions DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Ironstone gravels. Alluvial deposits: sand, silt, clays and

gravels. Expanding clay soils in floodplain deposits

Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, GEOLOGY:

> chert, limestone, phyllite, schist. Carboniferous granite. Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary basalt with minor acid volcanics. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, ferruginous, aluminous, and siliceous duricrust; alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt,

clay and gravel

ELEVATION: 200-629m 50-200 m RELIEF:

River floodplains and associated minor landforms, isolated MINOR LANDFORMS:

high hills; hilly slopes of Dividing Range

BOUNDARIES: Southern boundary coincides with MacIntyre River,

eastern boundary generally coincides with the lower western slopes of the Dividing Range, in the vicinity of the 500 m contour. To the north the unit is defined by the Condamine

River floodplain. Some influence from CECS imagery

REFERENCES: Packham (1969)

Armidale and Brisbane 1:1 m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Landsat imagery, CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

PERTH NAME: 292 NUMBER:

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Coastal plains and dunes, undulating country Bleached sands, sands with pans, leached sands SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Cb39, A14, Mt8

DESCRIPTION: Coastal plains with dunes, rising to undulating plains

Quaternary sands, swamps, some laterite REGOLITH:

Quaternary sand overlying mainly Cretaceous sediments GEOLOGY:

(Perth Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 0 - 150

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Cape Naturaliste - Cape Leuwin granite

BOUNDARIES: Coast and Darling Scarp

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

1:250 000 Series Maps; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m $\,$ GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia, 1:1 m OTHER SOURCES:

Vegetation Map of WA, Sheet 5 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

GWD'A, Nov, 1985 COMPILER:

MORETON 293

NUMBER: STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Subcoastal-coastal lowlands

SOILS:

Friable loamy soils with brown clayey subsoil (Db 3.12); Cracking clays (Ug 5.13, 14 & 15); Hard setting loamy soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 3.41) Friable

earths dark (Gn 3.4); leached loamy soils (Um 2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Rh10; Kb12; Tb65; Mn2,9; Fu3;

Subcoastal-coastal lowland on weak sedimentry rocks. Gently

rolling terrain along coast, becoming more hilly inland

REGOLITH:

Commercial clay deposits of Triassic age; palygorskite-sepiolite clays; Tertiary and Recent clays which are montmorillonite-illite rich and mixed layered mineral, highly expansive thixotropic, slow drying non refractory grades. About 300 m of alternating lacustrine sediments and basalt flows. Development of laterite. Alluvial deposits of floodplains including sand, silts,

clays and gravels

GEOLOGY:

Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone, phyllite, schist. Triassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone, granite. Permian intermediate, acid and minor basic volcanicss with some pyroclastics. Tertiary basalt with minor acid volcanics.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand

ELEVATION:

200-782m

RELIEF:

100-600 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Prominent volcanic plugs. Dune Islands. Floodplain

landforms

BOUNDARIES:

The northeastern boundary is indicated by the western slopes of the D'Aguilar Range. To the south the McPherson Range and to the west the edge of the Darling Downs (at 200 m contour) approximates the boundary. The boundaries are not wholly physiographic. Soil mapping units and CZCS

imagery patterns exert some influence

REFERENCES:

Hill and Denmead (1960) TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Brisbane, Armidale 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

BLACKBUTT NAME:

294 NUMBER:

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Mountainous terrain

Hard setting loamy soils with yellow clayey subsoils (Dy SOILS:

2.41). Hard setting loamy soil with red clayey subsoil (Dr 2.41. Dr 3.41); Leached loamy soil (Um 2.1); (Dr 2.42); leached sand soil (Uc 2.1); Duplex yellow soils (Dy 3.41)

Sj9,10,3,6,5; Pd10; Pu1; LK8; PL1; Fu3; Qd6; Cd3; Tb64 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Steep hilly to mountainous terrain on metasediments and DESCRIPTION:

phyllites. Some small basalt residuals

Some commercial clays; some expanding/cracking highly REGOLITH:

> plastic red and dark clay deposits associated with alluvial deposits and colluvium, and insitu weathering of basic volcanics. Alluvial deposits consisting of sand, silts,

clays and some gravels.

Upper Devonian-Lower Carboniferous sandstone, siltstone, GEOLOGY:

shale, chert, limestone phyllite, schist. Permian sandstone, mudstone, tillite, limestone; intermediate, and minor basic volcanics, pyroclastics. Permo-Triassic granite. Triass granites, sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Jurassic sandstone, siltstone,

mudstone. Tertiary basalt, minor acid volcanics

ELEVATION: 180-808m RELIEF: 20-400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Floodplain landforms; steep sided 'V' shaped valleys

BOUNDARIES: Some slight influence of soil map units in determining

boundaries. Main influence is physiographic. The the tract of land between the Darling Downs tableland surface and the 200 m contour at the foot of the degraded scarp in

the Brisbane valley

REFERENCES: Hill and Denmead (1960)

Brisbane 1:1 m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: LAKE FROME

NUMBER: 295

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Playa salt lake

None - salt/calcareous sand (Uc 1.21) SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Saline lake, usually dry. Gypsum dunes along eastern margin DESCRIPTION:

Mostly halite, gypsum and calcareous sands, some clays REGOLITH:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic aeolian and residual sands, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Quaternary

gypsum, halite, clay and sand

ELEVATION: 40 m <6 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Shoreline landforms, calcareous dunes

BOUNDARIES: Outer limit of waterline as mapped on 1:1 m topographic

REFERENCES: Laut and others (1977) [8.4.1]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

ROSENEATH

NUMBER:

296

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS:

Cracking clay (Ug 5.24; Ug 5.6), Red earths (Gn 2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

MY5: CC20

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with occassional dune ridges

REGOLITH:

Aeolian and residual quartz sands as sheets and dunes.

Cracking clays

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous shale, siltstone, sandstone, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand

ELEVATION:

150 - 250m

RELIEF:

20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Floodplain landforms of minor tributaries adjoining Culgao

River System

BOUNDARIES:

Primarily influenced by CZCS imagery; lesser influence from soil mapping and physiographic units. The major SW-NE boundary is indicated by the edge of the Culgao River floodplain; The north-south boundary to the west of the

unit is indicated by Wallam Creek.

REFERENCES:

Packham (1969), Hill and Denmead (1960)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bourke, Charleville 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME:

CHARLEVILLE

NUMBER:

297

STYLE:

Depositional Sand plain

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My units

DESCRIPTION:

Sandplain, with low rises of silcrete rubble

REGOLITH:

Sand, originally fluvial (?) with aeolian reworking. Probably overlies weathered Tertiary Glendower Formation

with silcrete

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

300 - 360

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Distinguished from the Wyandra unit to the southwest by presence of low rises with silcrete rubble in the

Charleville unit

REFERENCES:

D. Senior (1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Charleville 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery

COMMENTS: COMPILER:

DLG, GT, Nov 1985

WARREGO

NUMBER:

298

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Depositional

Floodplain

SOILS:

Grey self-mulching clays (Ug5.2), siliceous sands (Uc1.2) CC19, B12

DESCRIPTION:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Prior distributory plain of the Warrego River

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, aeolian sand, probably overlying deeply weathered

Cretaceous sediments

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin

ELEVATION:

140 - 290

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of Warrego River floodplain

REFERENCES:

Whitehouse (1941, 1944), Thomas (1971), Mabbutt (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Bourke 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Queensland 1:2.5m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

GERALDTON

NUMBER:

299

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Coastal dunes, hills and ridges

SOILS:

Duplex soils Wa9, B24

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Coastal dune plains backed by low hills

REGOLITH:

Undulating plains, traversed by dunes, some ferricrete

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic metamorphic sediments and volcanics, Proterozoic granite, Silurian, Cretaceous and Tertiary

sediments (Carnarvon and Perth Basins)

ELEVATION:

Average 0 - 100

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Coast and Darling scarp

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:250 000 series; Australia 1:2.5 and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m

vegetation survey of WA; Atlas of Australian Soils, sheets

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COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

ORIENTOS

NUMBER:

300

STYLE:

Erosional/Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS:

Cracking clays (Ug 5.24,5.25,5.3); Red Earths (Gn 2.12, 2.13); Loamy soils with weak profile development (Um 5.51);

Siliceous sands (Uc 1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

B60; Mx34; Fa47; My149; MM66; CC99

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with longitudinal sand dunes and clay pans; some seasonal drainage-ways. Some areas of undulating to low

hilly terrain with gravel strewn surfaces

REGOLITH:

Numerous sand dunes and sheets, clay and evaporite deposits associated with numerous lakes; desert armored surfaces; stony rises or polygons probably associated with expanding clays. Some ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; minor alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt and clay. Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic

ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

ELEVATION:

100-305 m 5-100m.

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Clay pans, kopi dunes, numerous small lakes; longitudinal

and 'Y' shaped sand dunes

BOUNDARIES:

In part, the eastern boundary is indicated by the Grey Range; some influence from soil map unit boundaries and

CZCS imagery patterns.

REFERENCES:

Parkin (1969), Packham (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: CENTRAL STRZELECKI DESERT

NUMBER: 301

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Dunefields

SOILS: Siliceous sand (Uc 1.2), Cracking clays (Ug 5.24,5.25)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B51; CC109

DESCRIPTION: Dunefields with variable interdune corridors and plains;

traversed by flood-plains with distributary channels; subject to seasonal inundation. In south plains with some low ridges and tracts of low dunes; adjacent to saline,

normally dry lakes.

REGOLITH: Dominated by linear and 'Y' shaped deposits of dune sand as

well as broad expanses of sheet sands. Some channelways filled with sands and gravels but dominated by cracking

clays

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, minor alluvial and colluvial sand and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and

gravel. Quaternary gypsum, clay, halite and sand

ELEVATION: 50 m RELIEF: 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Linear dune sequences trending approx N to NNW

BOUNDARIES: Determined significantly by soil map unit boundaries

which relate clearly to physiographic boundaries. Strzeleck Creek follows the nearby eastern boundary; Cooper Creek similarly follows western boundary. CZCS

imagery patterns support boundary positions

REFERENCES: Laut and others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Cooper Creek, Broken Hill 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

MOUNT BARRY

NUMBER:

302

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Crusty red duplex soils (Dr1.33), grey self-mulching

cracking clays (Ug5.24)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Nb26, CC112

DESCRIPTION:

A gently undulating gypcrete plain, and wide floodplains

with anastamosing channels

REGOLITH:

Gypcrete plain. Floodplain deposits: sand, silt, clay and gravels. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

associated with mesa, cuesta and vale topography

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic alluvium, colluvium, lacustrine sand, silt, clay & gravel. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrusts.

Quaternary gypsum, halite, clay and sand

ELEVATION:

150m

RELIEF:

<6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Minor floodplain features; distributary channels and sand

deposits

BOUNDARIES:

Defined by physiographic units of Arckaringa and Peak Creeks main channel and immediate next lesser order

tributaries; In part defined by soil map units

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977) [8.3.21]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola, Oodnadatta 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME:

GIDDI GIDDINNA

NUMBER:

303

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plain

SOILS:

Crusty red duplex soils (Dr 1.33), loamy soils with weak pedologiz development (Um 5.11), brown calcareous earths

(Gc 1.22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BB3; DD27; Nb26

DESCRIPTION:

A gently sloping plain with large clay pans

REGOLITH:

Sand mantle; some dune sands; alluvial sand, silts and clay, some pana and evaporite deposits (halite, gypsum,

kopi ridges near lake shore)

GEOLOGY:

RELIEF:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Quaternary

gypsum, halite, clay and sand

ELEVATION:

120 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Lake; lake shoreline features, islands at the northwestern

end of the lake. Some sand ridges

BOUNDARIES:

Part of the northern boundary follows Giddi Giddinna Creek; the southern boundary in part follows Dolgelina Creek and the remainder the southern edge of Lake Cadibarrawirracanna. Some parts of the unit are associated

closely with soil map units

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

SOUTH STREZLECKI DESERT NAME:

304 NUMBER:

Depositional

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Dune fields

Siliceous sands (Uc 1.2); Red earths (Gn 2.13); Brown SOILS:

calcareous earths (Gc 1.22,1.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B60; Mx34; DD2; DD2,23,25; CC18

DESCRIPTION: Dunefields with variable interdune corridors and plains;

some clay pans; some seasonal drainage-ways

Sand mantles, dune sands. Evaporite deposits: halite, REGOLITH:

gypsum. Parna and kopi dunes. Alluvial sand, silt and clay.

Gilgai mounds associated with expanding clays

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Quaternary

gypsum, halite, clay and sand

ELEVATION: Less than $200\ m$ Approx 20 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Longitudinal dunes trending NNW, NNE; numerous playas;

swampy lowlands

BOUNDARIES: Western boundary in part outlined by Strezlecki Creek, east

side of Lakes Callabonna and Frome, and Rasmore River flats; the eastern boundary is primarily an approximation to a soil map unit boundary. Some influence from CZCS

imagery patterns.

Parkin (1969) REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986 NAME: FROME PLAINS

NUMBER: 305

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Salt lakes, alluvial plains, piedmont plains, stony downs SOILS: Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33);

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22, 12); loamy soils with

weak pedologic development (Um 5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Nb35,36; DD2,26; BB32

DESCRIPTION: Stony downs, piedmont and alluvial plains. In east plains

are broad with clay pans, saline soils, swamps and intermittent lakes; also some isolated tracts of dunes.

REGOLITH: Stony downs/piedmont alluvial plains. In east plains are

broad with clay pans, saline soils, swamps and intermittent lakes; also some isolated tracks of dunes. Piedmont plains often have stony pavement. In west, stony downs and dissected piedmont plains. Exposed caliche and crusty loamy soils on broad plains. Stony downs/dissected piedmont

plains have cover of stones and gravel

GEOLOGY: Cambrian sandstone, siltstone, shale, conglomerate.

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands, alluvial and lacustrine, sand, silt, clay and gravel, ferruginous,

aluminous and siliceous duricrusts

ELEVATION: 100-200 RELIEF: 70 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: NNW trending dunes; wide river floodplains; isolated hills,

scarps. Swamps, lowlands

BOUNDARIES: North Flinders Ranges at about 200 m elevation provides the

boundary guide for the minor inner boundary of the crescentic shape unit. The outer boundary is indicated by a line connecting lake Blanche, Lake Gregory, Lake Callabona and Lake Frome. In part the boundaries are physiographic and related to both soil map units and CZCS

imagery patterns

REFERENCES: Parkin (1969)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

FLINDERS RANGES

NUMBER:

306

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Rocky ranges and hills

SOILS:

Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11);

Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BB32; BB3; Nb37

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges and hills with extensive rock outcrop and shallow soils; stony pediments and small basin plains; some remnants of stony downs; narrow valleys, some with gorges.

Ranges and hills in form of hogback ridges in quartzite

REGOLITH:

Bare rock; some alluvium and colluvium (sand, silt and clay); less common dune sand and some sand mantles. Calcreted gravels derived from silcreted deposits and probably equate with Ripon Calcrete. Younger Telford

gravels (Middle Pleistocene)

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic (Adelaidian) sediments of Adelaide fold belt. Cambrian sandstone, siltstone, chert, limestone. Tertiary marine sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Tertiary fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt,

clay and gravel

ELEVATION:

180-1129 m

RELIEF:

10-650 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvial fans, minor fluvial terraces, distributary

channels and associated sediment packages

BOUNDARIES:

Mainly a physiographic unit determined by 200 m + contour,

delineating the north Flinders Ranges

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broken Hill 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GT. MC. Jan 1986

NAME: ETADUNNA NUMBER: 307

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Stony downs

SOILS: Crusty loams soils with red clayey subsoil (Dr 1.33); loamy

soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Nb35; BG1

DESCRIPTION: Undulating terrain with some scarps, mesas, and buttes.

Tableland remnants

REGOLITH: A mantle of stones and gravels covers the soil surface.

Silcrete on tableland remnants; alluvial sand and some

gravel

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvium and

colluvium, lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel

ELEVATION: 70 m RELIEF: 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Wide fluvial channels, and associated floodplains and minor

landforms; lakes; some dunes (linear) and low sand ridges;

sand sheets

BOUNDARIES: Strong relationship with soil map unit boundaries and

physiographic boundaries

REFERENCES: Laut and others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: MAREE NUMBER: 308

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Crusty red duplex soils (Dr 1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Nb35,36; BG1

DESCRIPTION: A gently undulating gypcrete plain with entrenched drainage

and low escarpments

REGOLITH: Grypcreted tableland, dune sand; alluvial sand silt clay

and gravel; kopi dunes and low ridges; halite; claypans

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Quaternary gypsum, halite, clay and sand. Some minor Pre-

cambrian basement outcrops.

ELEVATION: 80 m RELIEF: 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Wide fluvial channels and associated minor landforms, salt

lakes; isolated rises (interfluves on an otherwise flat

plain);

BOUNDARIES: Mostly physiographic unit which is defined primarily by the

absence of dunes

REFERENCES: Laut and others (1977) [8.3.5], Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

INAKOO HILL

NUMBER:

309

STYLE:

Erosional

Tableland

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Crusty, red duplex soils (Dr 1.33), Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22), Loamy soil with weak pedologic development (Um

5.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD26; BG1; NB35,36

DESCRIPTION:

A silcrete tableland with dunes and occasional lakes and

REGOLITH:

Silcrete, dune sands, clay pans; ferruginous and aluminous

duricrust

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, ferruginous,

aluminous and siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION:

60 m 6-30 m

RELIEF:

Dissected tableland remnants; low hills on an otherwise

flat plain; some salt lakes and claypans

BOUNDARIES:

Areal extent of dunefield south of Tinnacudinna and Toopawarrina Hills, and to the north of Lake Frome. boundaries is essentially physiographic with some influence

from soil map units

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977) [8.3.11]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Parkin (1969) Broken Hill 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

TARLTON KNOB

NUMBER:

310

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Rocky ranges and hills

SOILS:

Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BB32: NB35

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges of hills with extensive rock outcrop and shallow soil; stony pediments and small basin plains; some remnants of stony downs; narrow valleys some with gorges.

quartzite and dolomite strike ridges

REGOLITH:

Some weathered rock, bare rock and sand mantles; dune sands and alluvial sand, silt and clay; stone covered plains;

some gilgai effects. Evaporites (gypsum and halite)

GEOLOGY:

Middle Proterozoic sandstone, siltstone, shale, dolomite, limestone, quartzite with some acid and basic volcanics; minor low grade metamorphics - part of Adelaide fold beld. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand.

sandstone, conglomerate (fluvial)

ELEVATION:

100-461 m

RELIEF:

20-300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Breakaway scarps, cuestas and vales, longitudinal and 'Y' shape dunes, wide alluvial flats and channelways; numerous

intermittant watercourses

BOUNDARIES:

Limited to southwest by sand dune landscapes, to north by broad alluvial plains and watercourses. The unit encircles areas of hills and long hogback and cuesta ridges. Boundaries are physiographic with slight influence from

soil map units, assisted by CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

TORRENS PLAINS

NUMBER:

311

Depositional STYLE:

BASIC FORM:

Dune covered plain

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12); Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33); Loamy soils with weak

pedologic development (Um 5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD1; Nb35; BB32

DESCRIPTION:

Plain adjacent to Lake Torrens, covered by dune formations with relatively small plains between. Numerous partly connected lakes and pans. Sandy alluvial plain beneath

REGOLITH:

Dominated by dune sand and sand mantles; alluvial sand, silt and clay; evaporites (gypsum, and halite); some kopi dunes and low rises; gilgai and stony plains; clay and silt

deposits in dune corridors

GEOLOGY:

Middle Proterozoic sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Cambrian sandstone, shale, limestone, siltstone, conglomerate. Minor alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and

gravel

ELEVATION:

20-200 m <6 m to 150 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Occasional clay pans; some swamplands; rare low hogback and

cuesta ridges

BOUNDARIES:

Western boundary is indicated by eastern shore of Lake Torrens. Eastern boundary is outlined by the western slopes of the North Flinders Range. The unit is essentially

physiogrpahic

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977) Broken Hill, Tarcoola 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME:

LAKE TORRENS

NUMBER:

312

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Depositional

Salt Lake

SOILS:

Grey calcareous loams (Um 1.21), Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12), Crusty loamy soils and red clayey subsoils (Dr

1.33)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Sv; DD1; Nb41

DESCRIPTION:

Saline, normally dry lake. Gypsum dunes along the eastern

margin

REGOLITH:

Evaporites: gypsum, halite, clay, sand and silt

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic basement of sandstone, siltstone, shale and limestone - Adelaide fold belt. Tertiary fluvial sandstone

and conglomerate. Quaternary gypsum, halite and clay

ELEVATION:

20 m <6 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Dunes, clay mudflats

BOUNDARIES:

Lake shoreline as shown on 1:1 m topographic map

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

ANDAMOOKA TABLELAND

NUMBER:

313

STYLE:

BASIC FORM:

Dissected sandstone plateau

SOILS:

Crusty red duplex soils (Dr1.13), red calcareous loams

(Um5.11)

Erosional

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Nb; BB

DESCRIPTION: Dissected sandstone plateau with bold eastern escarpment.

Surface undulating to hilly and often gibber-covered,

particularly in east

REGOLITH: Sands, clays, silts; pallid zones and ferruginised

breakaway scarps. Silcrete and silcrete skins; stony plains and plateau remnants. Colluvial fans, alluvial sands, silts, clays and gravels. Stony tablelands, gibber plains

and stone circles (gilgai effects)

Proterozoic (Adelaidean) sandstone, siltstoneone, shale, GEOLOGY:

> limestone. Minor Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Minor Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands. And minor Quaternary gypsum, halite and, clay and

sand

ELEVATION:

239 m 6 to 90 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

West shoreline features of Lake Torrens; occasional dunes

and low rises; breakaway scarps; cuestas and vales; mesas

and tablelands; lake edge swamplands and pans

BOUNDARIES:

West side of Lake Torrens; elsewhere, the slopes of tableland edges and start of dune landscapes. Primarily a physiographic unit with some influence of soil map units

and CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977) [7.3.20, 7.3.21]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Tareoola 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: GAIRDNER LAKES

314 NUMBER:

Depositional STYLE: BASIC FORM: Salt lakes

Amorphous loamy soils (Um 5.41); Brown calcareous earths SOILS:

(Gc 1.1); Soils with weak horizon development (Uc 5.11,5.12); Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr

1.33); Silicous sands (Uc 1.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: F3; F10; F4; DD1; AA2; Nb42; B62

DESCRIPTION: Saline, normally dry lakes of variable size

Evaporites (gypsum, halite); kopi dunes; clay and silt REGOLITH:

(mud) flats; some sand

Proterozoic - Adelaidean and Carpentarian basement of GEOLOGY:

> sandstone, siltstone, shale and Gambier Block volcanics and pyroclastics. Quaternary gypsum, halite, and clay and sand

ELEVATION: Less than 200 m

10-20 m RELIEF:

Sand dunes; kopi dunes and low ridges; shoreline features MINOR LANDFORMS:

due to lake full stages; silt jetties and creek inflow

jetties

BOUNDARIES: Lake shorelines as indicated on 1:1 m maps but generalised

Parkin (1969) REFERENCES:

Tarcoola, Port Augusta 1:1 m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils OTHER SOURCES: COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: EYRE DUNEFIELD

NUMBER: 315

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Dunefield with longitudinal dunes

SOILS: Sand soils with weak pedologic development (Uc 5.21). Red

calcareous earths (Uc 5.11, 12, 13). Red siliceous sands

(Uc 1.2)

B62; AB80; AA2 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: Stable NW-SE longitudinal dunes, locally broken by granite

hills and ridges of metamorphic rocks. Dunes closely spaced

REGOLITH: Vast dune sand and interdune corridors of clay, silt and

very fine sand; evaporite deposits in numerous salt lakes (gypsum, halite); kopi ridges and dunes; some silcrete and

calcrete (rare)

GEOLOGY: Lower Proterozoic and Carpentarian metamorphics (Gawler and

> Pointer Blocks), granite of Gambier and Pointer Blocks. Cainozoic aeolian and residual guartz sand. Minor

Quaternary gypsum, halite, clay and sand

ELEVATION: 200 m or less

RELIEF: 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Dunes and interdune corridors; numerous small mostly dry

salt lakes. Some palaeodrainage channels. Some seasonal

BOUNDARIES: Edge of dunefields in most areas but not not beyond Trans

Australia Railway before 416 mile Siding.

REFERENCES: Laut and others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Tarcoola, Port Augusta 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

GULF PLAINS

NUMBER:

316

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Alluvial and littoral plains

SOILS:

Cracking clays (Ug 5.2); Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 22); Highly calcareous loamy earths (Gc 1.12); Plastic saline clay soils (Uf 6.61); Hard setting loamy soils with

red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD4; DD2; J2; La1; Lb2; O3,1,8,9; CC9; Lb3

DESCRIPTION:

Alluvial and littoral plains with NW-SE longitudinal dunes, mainly stabilized, in isolated areas. Near the Mt Lofty Ranges the plains have a detritic westerly gradient and

merge eastwards with the alluvial fans of the Ranges

REGOLITH:

Calcrete development; some variably oriented dunes in north west of unit beyond Port Augusta. Calcareous loams. Clay

rich soils, both plastic and cracking varieties

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic (Adelaidean) sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone, some tillite, dolomite, low grade regional metamorphics. Cambrian sediments of Kanmantoo fold belt. Tertiary marine sandstone, siltstone, mudstone; fluvial sandstone, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine silt, clay

and gravel

ELEVATION:

0-413 m

RELIEF:

5-200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Hogback ranges, lowland coastal swampy plains, shoreline

features of Saint Vincent Gulf, alluvial floodplains

BOUNDARIES:

Coastal plain below 200 m level of Lofty Range to coastline; Port Clinton to Port Broughton the boundary line is mostly arbitrary but there is some influence from soil

map units

REFERENCES:

Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Port Augusta, Adelaide 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GILES NAME: NUMBER: 317

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

Neutral (Gn 2.12). Red earths and soils with weak pedologic SOILS:

development (Uc 5.21)

MY152; MY117; MY116; AB80 SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: A gently undulating plain with E-W longitudinal dunes and

gibber covered rises. Shallow sandy depressions associated

with a relict drainage system

REGOLITH: Ironstone gravel on plains and rises. Calcrete and gibbers

on rises. East-West dunes

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. GEOLOGY:

> Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust. Alluvial, colluvial and

lacustrine sand, silt, gravel and clays

ELEVATION: 280 m

<6 m - 70 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Some 'Y' shaped dunes

BOUNDARIES: Mostly influenced by CZCS imagery patterns and soil map

unit boundaries

REFERENCES: Laut and others (1977). [8.2.6, 8.2.7]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

OODNADATTA TABLELAND NAME:

NUMBER: 318

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Low tablelands

SOILS: Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11);

crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33); cracking clays (Ug 5.42, 25); brown calcareous earths (Gc

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BB33; Nb26; Nb40; CC122; DD27

DESCRIPTION: Silcrete capped low tablelands and plains

REGOLITH: Nodular, prismatic silcretes; ferricretes, calcretes, opal

in commercial quality; gilgai; desert armour; hardpans; deep weathering profiles; ferruginized and calcreted scarp exposures with pallid zones and duricrusts; porcellanitic cemented sediments. Evaporites: gypsum and halite. Dune

and alluvial sands, silts, clays. Parna; kopi dunes

GEOLOGY: Minor Proterozoic metamorphics. Cretaceous sandstone,

> siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Ferruginous, aluminous, siliceous, duricrusts, terrestrial limestone, sand and clay. Quaternary gypsum,

halite and clay

ELEVATION: 30-250 m RELIEF: 5-50 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Breakaway scarps; tablelands; mesas, buttes; cuesta ridges;

claypans, wide alluvial channels (mostly clay). Sand dunes Partially related to soil map units and physiographic

boundaries. Some use of CZCS imagery patterns.

Ambrose and Flint (1981a), Benbow (1983), Wopfner, (1978) REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Tarcoola 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

BOUNDARIES:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

PEAKE CREEK

NUMBER:

319

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Alluvial Plains

SOILS:

Crusty, loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33); Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 5.25); Brown calcareous earths (Gc

1.12, 22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD27; Nb26,40; CC121

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with tracts of sand dunes; clay pans and seasonal

lakes, broad floodplains. Grypcrete remnants.

REGOLITH:

Dune sands and sand mantles. Evaporites (gypsum, halite). Kopi dunes and ridges. Parna and clay pans. Clayey loams, some calcareous in interdune corridors. Alluvial sand, silt and clays in swampy lowland regions draining towards Lake

Eyre (north)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous, duricrust. Terrestrial limestone

sand and clay. Quaternary gypsum, halite and clay

ELEVATION:

60 m

RELIEF:

<6 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Wide alluvial channelways (mostly dry); dunes; kopi dunes;

salt lakes; clay pans

BOUNDARIES:

Encloses area of dune landscape and most of the southern end of Lake Eyre (north). Primarily physiographic and

closely related to soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT 1986

DENISON RANGES

NAME: NUMBER:

320

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Bevelled low ridges

SOILS:

Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um 5.11); crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33); cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 25), Brown calcareous earths (Gc

1.12, 22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Nb38; Nb26, CC112, DD27

DESCRIPTION:

Bevelled low ridges of folded metamorphic rocks

REGOLITH:

Sand mantles over bare rock; alluvial sands, silts and clays; evaporites (gypsum halite, some calcrete

development); siliceous and ferruginous duricrusts

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic (Adelaidean) sandstone, siltstone, dolomite. High and low grade regional metamorphics. Permian sediments (minor). Jurassic sandstone, siltstone, mudstone.

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone.

ELEVATION:

300 m

RELIEF:

90-180 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: **BOUNDARIES:**

Bevelled cuestas; mesas; buttes; scarp faces Enclosing the 200 m+ contour of the Ranges

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

LAKE DISAPPOINTMENT

NUMBER:

321

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Plains with longitudinal sand dunes

SOILS:

Red earthy sands associated with laterite residuals, red

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB44,47, BA17, SV9

DESCRIPTION:

Sand dunes, salt lakes, alluvial plains, scattered

duricrusted residuals

REGOLITH: GEOLOGY:

Dune sands, salt lakes, salt and clay pans Proterozoic sedimentary rocks (Bangemall Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m

RELIEF:

Less than 30 m on plains

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Laterite residuals and clay pans

BOUNDARIES:

Rugged lands to the west, gibber-covered Gibson unit to the

east; Lake Disappointment unit to the south has loamy soils

with red-brown hardpan

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheet 10NE Atlas of Australian

Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, DLG, Jan, 1986

NAME:

LAKE EYRE

NUMBER:

322

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Salt Lake

Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.33). Siliceous sands (Uc 1.2). Cracking clays (Ug 5.24, 25).

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.22);

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Nb26; DD27; CC107; Nb36; B43

DESCRIPTION:

A large playa complex of salt lake with gypsum dunes and

surrounding plain with channels and dunes

REGOLITH:

Clay, halite, gypsum. Soils indicated as shorelines

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale and some limestone forming shorelines and near other shorelines outcrops. Aeolian and residual quartz sands of Cainozoic age. Quaternary sands, silts, clays and evaporites (gypsum and

halite)

ELEVATION:

RELIEF:

Minus 5 m 6-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Playa lake complexes, sediment jetties into lake and channel entry jetties. Gypsum and clay dunes, shoreline

erosional features

BOUNDARIES:

Indicated by lake shorelines as appearing on topo maps used

(1:1 m scale)

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977). [8.4.10]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

TEAL

NUMBER:

323

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected low tablelands

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.13, 33). Red earths (Gn

2.11). Loamy soils with weak pedologic development (Um

5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD29; BB33; Mx39; DD1.

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected low tablelands with mesas and buttes. Crossed by broad shallow valleys of variable size. Some seasonal

swamps, clay pans

REGOLITH:

Tableland surface is silcreted. Footslopes gibber covered.

Bedrock: deeply weathered shales

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand. Ferruginous,

siliceous and aluminous duricrust

ELEVATION:

180-227 m

RELIEF:

20-50 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Numerous small claypans, lowlands swamps; some linear

dunes; isolated hills mesas)

BOUNDARIES:

CZCS imagery patterns and soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977). [8.3.2]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Tarcoola 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

OLARY SPUR

NUMBER:

324

STYLE:

Erosional

Low hills

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Amorphous loamy soils (Um 5.11,5.41); Highly calcareous loamy earths (Gc 1.12); Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.13); Hard setting loamy soils with red

clayey subsoil (Dr 2.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BB1; Lb6; Na4; O 12; BB3; Fs; Na2

DESCRIPTION:

Low hilly belt of folded crystalline and sedimentry rocks. It comprises hogback ridges on metasediments and rounded granite hills. Gentle footslopes and pediments commonly

form extensive elongated intramontane plains

REGOLITH:

Gravels (Telford gravel), eroded and redeposited in some areas; overlain by Loveday soil, Ripon Surface and Ripon Calcrete, Lower Pleistocene weathering profiles. Plio-Pleistocene silicified deposits. Pre-Tertiary ancient weathering profiles in Cambrian Rocks - overlain in places

by Upper Palaeozoic sediments.

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proterozoic, Carpentarian, Adelaidean sediments, metamorphics, tillite and granitics of the Adelaide fold

belt.

ELEVATION:

450 to 700 m

RELIEF:

180 to 360 m in hills and ridges, 6-30 m footslopes,

pediments, intramontane plains

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Hogback and cuesta ridges, alluvial fans

BOUNDARIES:

Soil map unit boundaries and physiographic units are the dominant influence in southern boundary. Some influence from soil map units in the north together with

physiographic units and CZCS imagery patterns

REFERENCES:

Laut and others (1977) [5.2] Adelaide, Broken Hill 1:1 m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: KANGAROO ISLAND

NUMBER: 325

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Dissected tableland and coastal dune formations

SOILS: Calcareous sand soil of minimal development (Uc 1.11);

Coherent sandy soils (Uc 6.13); Sand soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Oy 5.43, 41, 91); Cracking clays

(Ug 5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: E10; Ya16,2,8,20; A1; Wa1; Wb2; CC7

DESCRIPTION: Dissected tableland with moderate to very steep slopes in

central area of island. Coastal fringe and eastern area - coastal dune formations with small plains, undulating old dune formations largely stripped of sands exposing dune limestones. Undulating plains with swamps, lagoons,

lunettes.

REGOLITH: Small areas of sandy acidic yellow soils with a laterite

layer on the tableland remnants. Ironstone gravels on

tableland. Commercial gypsum mining

GEOLOGY: Cambrian sandstone, siltstone, shale, conglomerate, limestone. Permian sandstone, siltstone, tillite,

limestone. Permian sandstone, siltstone, tillite, conglomerate. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Minor Quaternary gypsum, halite, clay and sand

ELEVATION: 0 to 267 m
RELIEF: 20-200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Dissected tableland surface; shoreline erosional features;

lakes; linear dunes;

BOUNDARIES: Areal extent of island as shown on 1:1 m topo maps

REFERENCES: Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Port Augusta, Adelaide, Du Couedic 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

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NAME: FARNHAM NUMBER: 326

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Sandplain

SOILS: Red siliceous sands (Uc1.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: B40,41 DESCRIPTION: Dunefield

REGOLITH: Aeolian sand; gravelly soils and duricrust on residual

hills; minor lacustrine sediment in claypans

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sediments of the Amadeous Basin and Permian

sediments of the Officer Basin

ELEVATION: Average 400 m RELIEF: Generally low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Residual hills, claypans

BOUNDARIES: Gibber plains of the Gibson unit to the west; unit

characterised by earthy sand soils and red earths to the

north, east and south

REFERENCES: Jackson & van de Graaff (1981)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Lake Mackay, Petermann Ranges 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils Sheet 10 NW

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG. Jan 1986

NAME: TIBOOBURRA

NUMBER: 327

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Tablelands and plains

SOILS: Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.32, 33);

Cracking clay (Ug 5.3); shallow coherent sands (Wc 1.43)

Red earths (Gn 2.12, 13)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Nd 7; Mm66; BA50; Nb2,8,27; Mx36; My149.

DESCRIPTION: Extensive, stony tableland and plains of Tertiary silcrete
REGOLITH: Tertiary silcrete controls form of remnant tablelands and

mesas, and contributes the stony mantle of the plains. Dune

sand rare; sand mantles.

GEOLOGY: Minor Proterozoic basement. Cambrian granite. Cretaceous

sandstone, siltstone, shale, limestone. Cainozoic aeolian

and residual quartz sand. Siliceous duricrust

ELEVATION: 180-332 m RELIEF: 20-150 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Rare linear dunes; some lowlands swamps as lake extensions;

lakes and river swamplands; cuesta ridges and mesas

BOUNDARIES: Outlines higher +200 m areas on the plains in the

Tibooburra area and includes the southern portion of the Grey Range in SW QLd. Dominantly soil map unit boundaries with physiographic basis and some influence from CZCS

imagery patterns.

REFERENCES: Abraham (1984)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broken Hill 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Australia 1:2.5 m

CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC. GT Jan 1986

NAME: BULLOO NUMBER: 328

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Floodout Plain

SOILS: Self-mulching clays (Ug5.2, Ug5.3), red earths (Gn2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC, II, MM units, Mx35, My149

DESCRIPTION: Floodplain and terminal floodout plain of Bulloo River,

with claypans, calcreted flats, and northeast-trending

aeolian seif dunes

REGOLITH: Alluvium, aeolian sand, calcrete, overlie presumably

weathered Tertiary Eyre Formation, and possibly Curalle silcrete profile. Deeply weathered Mesozoic rocks present

at depth

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Eromanga Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 75 - 240

RELIEF: Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of Bulloo River floodplain

REFERENCES: Mabbutt (1968), Abraham (1984), Ingram (1971)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Central Eromanga Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CZCS imagery

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: EDENHOPE

NUMBER: 329

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Dissected dunes and plains

SOILS: Hard neutral and alkaline duplex soils with red clay

subsoil (Dr 2.23, 2.22), grey cracking clay (Ug 5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: X2,5; CC9; Ke1; Cb7; Ya15; Vb1; D3

DESCRIPTION: Undulating dissected dunes and plains. Swamps and lakes
REGOLITH: Cross-bedded lateritised sands (Piocene); aeolian sands;
caliche, quartz sands and sandy clay, silty clay, gypsum

and halite. Kunkar horizon near Edenhope about 1 m thick

(83% calcium carbonate)

GEOLOGY: Cambro-Ordovician basement of sandstone, siltstone, chert.

Covered by Tertiary marine sandstone, siltstone, mudstone. Minor middle and upper Palaeozoic basement exposed within a portion of the Dundas Tablelands in south of area. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand, alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, clay and gravel. Ferruginous, aluminous and siliceous duricrust in south

ELEVATION: Less than 200 m
RELIEF: Less than 5 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Region of lakes and swamplands; some dunes and low ridges,

both existing and palaeoforms present.

BOUNDARIES: Black Range and Grampians to the east; Dundas tablelands to

the south; Round Hill Swamp to the north; Narracoote range to the west. Essentially physiographic boundary lines but also follows some soil map unit boundaries. Unit

corresponds to the Winner (in part) of Hills (1940)

REFERENCES: Hills (1940), Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamilton 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME: WILSONS PROMONTORY

NUMBER: 330

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Mountainous granitic massif

SOILS: Shallow sand soils (Uc 4.1; Uc 1.11; Uc 2.3)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: JJ2; A5; Cb12

DESCRIPTION: A granitic massif forming rugged mountains and hills.

Connected to mainland by a tongue of sand. Larger bays closed by baymouth bars, with lagoons and swamps behind

REGOLITH: Peaks subject to strong wave attack around bases, leaving

bare granitic rock faces. Shallow sand soils (saprolite) on granite. Lagoonal & swamp deposits behind baymouth

bars.

GEOLOGY: Granite
ELEVATION: 0 to 750 m
RELIEF: 750 m
MINOR LANDFORMS: Tors

BOUNDARIES: Physiographic boundaries

REFERENCES: Hills (1975), Douglas and Fergusson (1976)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Melbourne 1:1 m
GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GT, MC, Jan 1986

CEDUNA DUNEFIELD NAME:

NUMBER: 331

Depositional STYLE: BASIC FORM: Dune ridges

Sands soils of minimal pedologic development (Uc 1.11); SOILS:

> Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12); Brown sand soils (Uc 5.11, 5.12); Shallow red brown sandy soils (Uc 6.13); Sandy soils with yellow clayey mottled subsoil (Dy 5.43, Dy 3.42)

DD32; A2; AA3; E9; E5; E7; DD7; Ya14,21,5; Gg3; Td3; Ua1; SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Ub7.8;

Low limestone dune ridges: small granitic islands with **DESCRIPTION:**

dunes

Ripon Calcrete; Loveday Soil in aeolian sand sheets, dune REGOLITH:

sand, red soils (terra rossa)

Basement of Proterozoic (Carpentarian and Lower GEOLOGY:

> Proterozoic) granite and metamorphics of Gawler Block. Quaternary coastal aeolian calcareous sand; gypsum, halite,

clay, limestone

0-391 m **ELEVATION:** RELIEF: 20-250 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low linear dunes; sink holes; dolines; various karst

BOUNDARIES: Closely related to soil map units, extends from coast to

beginning of dunefield

REFERENCES: Parkin (1969)

Port Augusta, Nullarbor Plain, Tarcoola 1:1 m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

MC, GT Jan 1986 COMPILER:

LINCOLN NAME: NUMBER: 332

STYLE: Erosional

Low rounded hills BASIC FORM:

SOILS: Hard setting soils with mottled yellow clayey subsoils (Dy

3.42; Dy 3.61; Dy 3.22);

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ub7; Td3; Ua1

DESCRIPTION: Low rounded hills

REGOLITH: Ironstone gravels in soils on ridge tops. Alluvium,

colluvium

GEOLOGY: Lower Proterozoic granite of Gawler Block. Cainozoic

alluvial, colluvial and lacustrine sand, silt, gravel and

clay

180-322 m **ELEVATION:** 20-150 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Alluvial fans and terraces in valley tracts draining hills;

1akes

BOUNDARIES: Outlines +200 m hilly terrain in Port Lincoln area;

boundary is physiogrpahic with some minor influence from

soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES: Parkin (1969) TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Port Augusta 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

GT, MC, Jan 1986 COMPILER:

CLEVE

NUMBER:

333

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

Hard setting loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 2.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Hills with fringing outwash plains. Short footslopes and

REGOLITH: GEOLOGY:

Alluvial and colluvial sand, silt and clay. Loamy soils Lower Proterozoic metamorphics. Carpentarian conglomerates, dolomitic shales and quartzite in Gawler Block. Adelaidean

sandstone, quartzite, dolomite, siltstone, and acid and

basic volcanics

ELEVATION:

150-408 m

RELIEF:

20-200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvial, colluvial fans

BOUNDARIES:

Significantly influenced by physiographic boundaries and

soil map units, and boundaries used in maps from

environments of S.A.

REFERENCES:

Laut & others (1977) [4.3.10]

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Port Augusta 1:1 m

Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

MC, GT Jan 1986

NAME:

COWELL

NUMBER:

334

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plains

SOILS:

Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 22)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DD2, A2

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with isolated tracts of dunes. Also footslopes and

low cliffs along coastline

REGOLITH:

Alluvial sand, silt, clay

GEOLOGY:

Lower Proterozoic metamorphics. Adelaidean acid and basic volcanics, sandstone, siltstone, conglomerate, dolomitic shales, quartzites. Cainozoic terrestrial limestone, minor

sand and clay

ELEVATION:

0-200 m

RELIEF:

5-30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Some coastal zone landforms: bays, beaches, tidal flats,

BOUNDARIES:

Principally follows soil map unit boundaries

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Port Augusta 1:1 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

NAME: WHYALLA NUMBER: 335

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Plains

SOILS: Red calcareous earths (Gc 1.12), Sandy soils with mottled

yellow clayey subsoils (Dy 5.43)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Lb5; Ya10

DESCRIPTION:

REGOLITH: Calcrete development; gypsum dunes; play lakes with silt

and clay deposits and evaporites

GEOLOGY: Lower Proterozoic metamorphics. Carpentarian conglomerates,

dolomitic shales, quartzites and granite, volcanics and pyroclastics in Gawler Block. Adelaidean sandstone, quartzite, dolomite, and acid and basic lavas. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sands; terrestrial limestone,

minor sand and clay

ELEVATION: 0-446 m RELIEF: 5-250 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Salt lakes and flats. Occasional extensive hogback ridges;

gypsum dunes at lake edges

BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Port Augusta 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

REGOLITH:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

NAME: GAWLER RANGES

NUMBER: 336

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Hills and ranges

SOILS: Crusty loamy soils with red clayey subsoils (Dr 1.13,

1.33); Brown calcareous earths (Gc 1.12, 1.22); Amorphous

loamy soils (Um 5.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Na1; DD2; BB2

DESCRIPTION: Hills (often rounded) and ranges with intervening plains

mostly small basin plains. Upland is old landsurface, visible as bevelled a summit plain sloping gently to north Shallow loamy soils on crests and slopes are rocky; also

much rock outcrop. Footslopes covered with colluvium

GEOLOGY: Lower Proterozoic metamorphics. Carpentarian conglomerates.

dolomitic shales; quartzites and granite, volcanics and pyroclastics in Gawler Block. Adelaidean sandstone, quartzite, dolomite, acid and basic lavas. Cainozoic aeolian and residual quartz sand; terrestrial limestone

minor sand and clay

ELEVATION: 0-310 m RELIEF: 20-200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Round hills and ranges; intermountane valley plains.

Basinal plains

BOUNDARIES: Outlines hilly area on otherwise flat plain. Physiographic

boundary with influence from soil map boundaries and CZCS

imagery patterns

REFERENCES: Laut & others (1977), Parkin (1969)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Port Augusta 1:1 m GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: CZCS imagery, Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: MC, GT, Jan 1986

SHARK BAY

NUMBER:

337

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Sand plains

SOILS:

Calcareous sandy soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

A18

DESCRIPTION:

Coastal sand dunes

REGOLITH:

Aeolian limestone, some bare rocks, some brown calcareous

sand dunes

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous bedrock overlain by sand

ELEVATION:

Average 0-10 m

RELIEF:

10 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Playas

BOUNDARIES:

Coastal area of mainly low relief

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series 1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1m Vegetation

Survey of WA; Sheet 6 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME:

EXMOUTH

NUMBER:

338

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional Coastal plains with hills

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Sandy soils on bedrock Fy2 (on bedrocks), Sv7 (on dunes)

DESCRIPTION:

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Coastal limestone plain with residual hills

REGOLITH:

Alluvium, dunes

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments mostly under Tertiary cover. Permian sediments; Palaeozoic metamorphic sedimentary and volcanic rock, Proterozoic granite (Carnarvon Basin & Gascoyne

Province)

ELEVATION:

Mostly sea level, some 400 m

RELIEF:

400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Linear sand dunes, alluvial plains

BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

Coast, and topographical

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheets 5, 6 Atlas of Australian

Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

SANDSTONE

NUMBER:

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Low dissected plateaus

SOILS:

Shallow earths over hardpans, some calcrete, yellow earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Broken slopes with breakaways, low hills and ridges

REGOLITH:

Deep weathering with duricrust (ferricrete)

GEOLOGY:

Archaean granite, basic and acid volcanics, metamorphosed

igneous and sedimentary rocks (Yilgarn Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 300

RELIEF:

20 to 100 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Tors, mesas, playas, saline valleys with salt lakes, minor

dunes around lakes and in valleys, some gypsum

BOUNDARIES:

Bounded by undulating plains

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

OTHER SOURCES:

1:250 000 Series Maps; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m 1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia, 1:1 m Vegetation Map of WA, Sheet 5 & 6 Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A. Nov 1985

NAME:

WILUNA

NUMBER:

340

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Dissected Plateaus Mainly shallow earths over hardpans, mottled and pallid

zone outcrop, ferricrete and calcrete, red soil, saline

calcrete, gypsum

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BE6, 0C47

DESCRIPTION:

Undulating plains, dissected plateaus, granite hills and

tors, some breakaways, pediments.

REGOLITH:

Deep weathered profile covered by extensive hardpan,

ferricrete and calcrete, extensive surface gravels

GEOLOGY:

Archaean granite, Proterozoic sedimentary rocks, Archaean-

Proterozoic metamorphics (Yilgarn Block, Glengarry

subbasin, Gascoyne Province)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m

RELIEF:

Less than 100

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Broad valleys with calcrete, some areas of ranges and high

BOUNDARIES:

Flat plains to the west & east, more rugged to the south

and the north

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series

OTHER SOURCES:

1:5 m Landform and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheets 5, 6 Atlas of Australian

Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

MOUNT FISHER

NUMBER:

341

STYLE:

Depositional (/erosional)

BASIC FORM:

Sand plain

SOILS:

Red earthy sands (Uc5.21), red siliceous sands (Uc1.23),

shallow stony sands and sandy loams, red earths (Gn2.12),

saline soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB50,52, BY7, My99, Sv5

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with longitudinal sand dunes; lateritic breakaways;

saline lakes in the south

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand; gravel pavements; ferruginous and siliceous duricrust on rises and breakaways; red brown hardpan in

places; saline alluvium in salt lakes

Area characterised by earthy sand soils

GEOLOGY:

Archaean granite and greenstones of the Yilgarn Block

ELEVATION:

300 average Low - moderate

RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Low - moderate

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils Sheets 10 NW and 10 SW

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Jan 1986

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NAME:

CARNEGIE

NUMBER:

342

STYLE:

Erosional (/depositional)

BASIC FORM:

Gently sloping plains, undulating pediments, stony and

gravellyp

SOILS:

Shallow earthy loams, gravels, hard alkaline red soils,

saline soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BE6, 0c49, SV5,11, Fz30, Fa33

DESCRIPTION: REGOLITH:

Partially dissected pediments, some low stony hills Stony soils on steeper slopes, red-brown hardpan on lower

slopes and on small areas of valley plains, salt lakes, gypsum dunes, claypans, salt pans, calcrete replacing and

cementing alluvium

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic sandstone, shale & dolomite, minor Proterozoic dolerite, Archaean granite (Bangemall Basin), Palaeozoic and Mesozoic sediments (Officer Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m

RELIEF:

From 10 m to 200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Steep ranges to the west, plain with sand dunes to the

north and south

REFERENCES:

Jackson & van de Graaff (1981), van de Graaff & others

(1977)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia; Wiluna, Kalgoorlie 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Aus

OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m, 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Series 1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia; 1:1 m

Vegetation Survey of WA; Sheets 6, 10NW/10SW Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, GT, DLG, Jan 1986

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NUMBER:

343

STYLE: BASIC FORM: Erosional Bare rocks

SOILS:

Shallow stony sands, neutral red earths

SOILS:

BA34, My114,116,117

DESCRIPTION:

Sandy plains broken by granitic ranges, hills, ridges and

undulating plateaus

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand on plains; bare rocks, occasional laterite- or silcrete-capped buttes, low rubbly calcrete mounds, clay in

swamp and clay flat areas

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic metamorphic sedimentary, volcanic and igneous

rocks, Proterozoic granite (Musgrave Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 600 m

RELIEF:

30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Swamps (seasonal)

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded mainly by dunefields with red earthy sand soils

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 and 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 Geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and

Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 10NW & 10NE Atlas of Australian

Soils; Australian Major Stru

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, DLG, Jan 1986

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NAME:

MULGA PARK

NUMBER:

344

STYLE:

Plains with short and irregular shaped d

BASIC FORM:

Depositional(/erosional)

SOILS:

Red earthy sands, red siliceous sands on dunes, red earths

on plains

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB60,31,65, My113

DESCRIPTION:

Plains with many short and irregular shaped dunes, flat to gently undulating sand plains with some low broad sand rises and intervening swales, sandy plains flanking

granitic ranges (Northern Territory portion only)

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand, some laterite- and silcrete- capped ridges,

shallow stream valleys, calcrete mounds

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic sediments, some Proterozoic metamorphosed

sedimentary and volcanic rocks (Musgrave Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m

RELIEF:

30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvial flats, clay pans, stone-covered ridges

BOUNDARIES:

Plains with longitudinal dunes

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m Australia 1:2.5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, 28 Nov, 1985

TOMKINSON

NUMBER:

345

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Ranges and plains

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12), red earthy sands (Uc5.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

My109,111,112,114, BA34

DESCRIPTION:

Ranges with stony hills and flanking outwash plains, sand

plains and erosional plains

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous and siliceous duricrust on hills and ranges; colluvium and alluvium in outwash plains; aeolian sand;

calcrete in some areas

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic rocks of the Musgrave Block

ELEVATION:

500 - 1100 m

RELIEF:

Low - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Area with red earth soils predominating

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Petermann Ranges 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils Sheet 10 NW

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Jan 1986

NAME:

MOUNT COCKBURN

NUMBER:

346

STYLE:

Depositional(/erosional)

BASIC FORM:

Sand plains

SOILS:

Red earthy sands

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB65,60

DESCRIPTION:

Sandy plains, some rocky tors and outcrops

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand, laterite and silcrete-capped ridges and buttes, alluvium in shallow stream valleys and small salt

pans; minor calcrete mounds

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic metamorphosed igneous, sedimentary and volcanic

rocks; minor Proterozoic granite (Musgrave Block)

ELEVATION: Average 600 m

RELIEF:

30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Ranges and undulating plateaus

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by areas of ranges and flanking plains

characterised by red earth soils

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australian 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 Geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and Weathering 1:10 m; Sheet 10NW Atlas of Australian Soils;

Australian Major Structural D

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, DLG, Jan 1986

LAKE AMADEUS

NUMBER:

347

STYLE:

Depositional(/erosional)

BASIC FORM:

Dunes, some hilly residuals with rock outcrops

SOILS:

Red earthy sands (interdunes), red siliceous sands (on the

dunes), shallow loams, saline clays

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

AB56,60,65, SV12, My109,113,114,111, BA21,27,31, Mx21,23

Plains extensively covered with longitudinal dunes; some hilly residuals with rock outcrops; plains with short and irregular shape; sandy plains flanking granitic ranges,

hills and ridges. Some bare rocks

REGOLITH:

Laterite and silcrete-capped ridges and buttes; some rubbly calcrete mounds; plains studded with salt pans, seasonal lakes; calcrete platforms and fringing dunes, some

lateritic conglomerates, some lateritic duricrust

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic, Ordovician, Devonian and Carboniferous rocks, Proterozoic granite, metamorphic, igneous and minor sedimentary rocks (Amadeus Basin and Musgrave? Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 - 600 m

RELIEF:

10 - 20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Outwash plains and dissected fans and terrace formations flanking ranges of sedimentary and some metamorphic,

volcanic, and granite rocks, steep

BOUNDARIES:

Area of sandy plains and ridges

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 10 NW and 10 NE Atlas of

Australian Soils; Australian Majo

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

HENBURY

NUMBER:

348

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Bare rocks, bold ranges, steep narrow ranges

SOILS:

Shallow stony sands, red earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

BA 29,28(26), Mx25, My105,108,118
Bare rocks, rugged mountain ranges on gneiss and schists,

some basic intrusives; some quartzite and sandstone ridges; plateaus and low hilly areas on limestone, dolomite, calcareous sandstone, siltstone and sandstone; plains with

low rocky hills, terraces flanking ranges, some mesas

REGOLITH:

Bare rocks, scattered dunes, variable stone and gravel pavement, some gilgai with soils in the depressions, sandy

banks and channels

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic-Ordovician, Devonian and Carboniferous

sedimentary rocks, Metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic

rocks, granite (Amadeus Basin and Arunta Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 - 600

RELIEF:

400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small plains, narrow valleys, sandy plains with low sandy

rises and scattered dunes

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by area of dunefields, sand plains and dissected

plateaus, hilly residuals with rock outcrops

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australian 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m; 1:250

000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

Relief and Landform of Australia 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and

Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 10NE, 10NW, Atlas of Australian

Soils: Australian Major Str

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

PAPUNYA

NUMBER:

349

STYLE:

Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM:

Sand plains, low hills, dissected plateaus

SOILS:

Red earthy sands, red siliceous sands on the sand rises

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB31.58, Mx23, My105, BA12, B32, BC2

DESCRIPTION:

Flat to gently undulating sand plains with some low broad sandrises and intervening swales; low rocky hills; dissected plateaus, mesas, and buttes on sandstone,

siltstone and conglomerate; dune fields

REGOLITH:

Bare rocks, stone-covered ridges, sand plains, low rises and scarps with some lateritic duricrusts; calcrete, some

gypsum deposits

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic rocks, and granite, sedimentary rocks (Ngalia Basin and Arunta

Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 300-600 m

RELIEF:

30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Alluvial flats, clay pans, narrow drainage ways; riverine

BOUNDARIES:

Surrounded by bare rocks, bold ranges, undulating uplands,

dunes

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australian 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m, Cainozoic of the N.T. 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES:

Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 10NW, 10NE, Atlas of

Australian soils; Australian Mafic St

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME:

NAPPERBY

NUMBER:

350

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Ranges and ridges, rocky hills

SOILS:

Shallow stony sands, red earths mantled with stones and

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BA25,29,32, Mx 24,27, My105,106, AB31,58

DESCRIPTION:

Steep ranges and ridges with narrow valleys on sandstone, quartzite and conglomerate; rugged mountain ranges on gneiss and schists; sandy plains on granite with occasional

rocky hills and ridges

REGOLITH:

Bare rocks, quartz gravels and stone-covered ridges

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic, Devonian & Carboniferous gneiss and schists, basic intrusives, quartzite and sandstone, granite (Ngalia

Basin & Arunta Block)

ELEVATION:

Average 600 m

RELIEF:

200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Small valley plains, outwash plains and fans, gently undulating plains, some clay pans, occasional dunes

BOUNDARIES:

Sand plains and dissected plateaus, uplands and dune fields

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Australia 1:2.5 and 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 Geological Series

OTHER SOURCES:

Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 10NW & 10NE Atlas of Australian

Soils; Australian Major Stru

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov, 1985

NAME: DAVIDSON

NUMBER: 351

STYLE: Depositional

BASIC FORM: Sandplains and poorly developed dune formations

SOILS: Red earthy sands, some yellow earthy sands on gently

sloping plains and some siliceous sands in flood-plain

areas, shallow sands with large amoun

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB 30,29,31, NT11, My119, (By4, B32)

DESCRIPTION: Flat to gently undulating sand plains, poorly developed

dune formations, some stone-covered ridges.

REGOLITH: Block laterite at depth below the soil, ironstone gravels,

shallow ironstone gravely sands, broad shallow drainage floors with calcrete, some rocky ridges and hills capped by

laterite

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic, Cambrian, Ordovician and Palaeozoic

sedimentary rock and Proterozoic granites of the Arunta

Block, the Granites-Tanami Block and Wiso Basin

ELEVATION: Average 300 m
RELIEF: Less than 20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Undulating ridge and slope terrain on lateritised

sediments, some rock outcrops, minor dune fields, minor

calcrete areas

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by hills and ranges, and broad uplands

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australian 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms of Australia 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover

and Weathering of Australia 1:10 m; Sheets 8, 10NE & 10NW

Atlas of Australian Soilsl; A

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

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NAME: LOTHARI HILL

NUMBER: 352

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Low rises, pediments, plains and bare rocks

SOILS: Red earthy sands, red siliceous sands

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BA5, AB29, B32,31

DESCRIPTION: Low rises, pediments and bare rocks, gently undulating

plains.

REGOLITH: Residual gravels development over laterite crusts, some

laterite outcrop

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic Cambrian & Ordovician sediments (the Granites-

Tanami Block; Wiso Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m
RELIEF: Less than 20 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Dune fields, gently undulating plains

BOUNDARIES: Unit contained within flat to gently undulating sand plains

and stone-covered ridges.

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 &1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and

Weathering 1:10 m; Sheets 8, 10NE & 10NW Atlas of

Australian Soils; Australian Major S

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, 28 Nov. 1985

MOUNT WOODCOCK NAME:

NUMBER: 353

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Hilly terrains, uplands, slopes and valleys

Stony and gravelly siliceous sands, red earthly sands SOILS:

BV1 (also II6, AB30, CC59) SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Low hilly to hilly terrains, some flat upland areas; DESCRIPTION:

irregular steep to moderate slopes and narrow valleys

Silcrete on many rock out crops, soils overlying laterite REGOLITH:

or ironstone gravels on small flat-topped ridges, ironstone gravel and block laterite may occur at depth below the soil

Proterozoic sediments of the Tomkinson Geosyncline

ELEVATION: Average 150 m Up to 200 m RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Flat to very gently undulating plains, with poorly

developed dunes formations in some parts

Surrounded by undulating plains **BOUNDARIES:**

REFERENCES:

GEOLOGY:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Land Forms in Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 8 Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: DALY WATERS

NUMBER: 354

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Plains mantled with stones, some low stony rises

SOILS: Neutral red earths, red & brown shallow porous loamy soils,

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My79,73,70, GG5, SQ1, CC53, Ms 13, 002

Gently undulating country, some hilly portions on DESCRIPTION:

intermediate and basic rocks, some plateau remnants with

volcanic measa and buttes

Deep weathering, ironstone gravels, some weathered clay REGOLITH:

Cretaceous and Cambrian-Ordovician sediments partially GEOLOGY:

covered by Tertiary sediments (Daly River Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 100 m RELIEF:

100-200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Flat to undulating plains with areas of very rough karst

topography and developed on limestone, minor flood plains,

low lying alluvial plains

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by ridges, dissected plateaux

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 geological series

OTHER SOURCES: Australia Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Sheet 8 Atlas of

Australian soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

POINT STUART

NUMBER:

355

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Dissected low plateaus, gently undulating plains, coastal

cliffs

SOILS:

Sandy and loamy red and yellow earths, white sands, small

swamps

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Mw32,35,36, Jw1, Jy2, Nn3,4, Lk22,24, AB32, Mr8

DESCRIPTION:

Dissected low plateaus with flat to undulating plateau crests and dissected sloping margins, cliffs along coastal margins; narrow stream valleys with small swampy areas;

dissected rolling lowlands, andy plains

REGOLITH:

Stepped ridgers and breakaways, ironstone gravels, blocky

laterite in places

GEOLOGY:

Archaean-Proterozoic granites, Proterozoic sediments, metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic rocks (Pine Creek

Inlier)

ELEVATION:

Average less than 20 m

RELIEF:

Less than 50 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Seasonally flooded coastal plains, hilly to steep hilly

ranges and strike ridges mainly on greywacke, siltstone and

some sandstone; dissected sca

BOUNDARIES:

Hills and ranges, coastline

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:250 000 series; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m; Australia

1:2.5 m and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Australian Landform and Relief 1:2.5 m; Sheet 8 Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

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NAME:

BURRUNDIE

NUMBER:

356

STYLE:

Erosional Hills and ranges, bare rocks

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Shallow stony and gravelly loams and sands, yellow earthy

sands with ironstone gravels

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

LK23,22, Wd13, Tb134, Va73

DESCRIPTION:

Hilly to steep hilly ranges and strike ridges, strongly

undulating to hilly terrain

REGOLITH: GEOLOGY:

Stony and gravelly and red earths on dolerite and andesites Proterozoic greywacke, siltstone, some sandstone, granite

(Pine Creek Inlier, McArthur Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average less than 100 m

RELIEF:

Less than 200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Open flat to gently sloping plains traversed by streams

flanked by levees and active flood plains

BOUNDARIES:

Undulating plains

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

1:250 000 series, Cainozoic of the NT, Australia 1:2.5 m

and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES:

Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Sheet 8 Atlas of

Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: PORT KEATS

NUMBER: 357

STYLE: Depositional (Erosional)

BASIC FORM: Undulating plains, low bouldery sandstone hills, coastal

plains

SOILS: sandy acid yellow mottled soils, red earths, deep sandy

soils, saline clays, deep red and yellow siliceous sands,

cracking clays

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Wd11, 12, JW1, B31, Mt4, MN5

DESCRIPTION: Gently undulating plains developed on sandstone, limestone

and shales, undulating terrain on granites, some scattered rocky hills; low-lying coastal plains with some sand dunes Some laterite, ironstone gravels, poorly defined seasonally

REGOLITH: Some laterite, ironstone gravels, poorly defined seasonally flooded drainage-ways; some massive laterite, saline clays

on the flat to very gently sloping plains

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic granite, Archaean-Proterozoic sediments,

Proterozoic sediments (Litchfield Inlier), Permo-Triassic, Carboniferous, and Devonian sediments (Bonaparte Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 0 - 10

RELIEF: 10 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Coastal plains, slopes and tidal flats, small area of

calcareous and/or siliceous sands on coastal dunes

BOUNDARIES: Ridges and dissected plateaus

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: 1:250 000 geological series; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Sheets 8 and 9,

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: AUVERGNE NUMBER: 358

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Ridges, cuestas, plateaus, mesas, buttes, undulating plains

SOILS: Shallow sandy and stony soils, loamy soils, red earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BA6, Fz21,22, Gg5, My66,67, Ms13, CC15

DESCRIPTION: Rugged stony country, ridges, cuestas and plateaus with

some sloping or low hilly dissected areas, hilly limestone

country, gently undulating plains, and alluvial plains

REGOLITH: Bare rocks, gently undulating plains on lateritised

volcanics, sedimentary and metamorphic rocks, ironstone

gravels

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sandstone, quartzite, shale and some limestone.

Cambrian volcanics and sediments (Victoria River and Ord

River Basins)

ELEVATION: Average less than 100

RELIEF: 200 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Narrow valley plains with hard neutral and also alkaline

red soils. Hilly, rocky, limestone country.

BOUNDARIES: Bounded by undulating plains (NT), and rocky ridges and

undulating stony country (WA)

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m;

1:250 000 series

OTHER SOURCES: Australia Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Sheets 8 and 9 Atlas

of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: FORREST NUMBER: 359

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Rugged stony country, bare rocks

SOILS: Shallow sandy, commonly stony or loamy soils, shallow

gritty sandy soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BA6, JJ25,26,27

DESCRIPTION: Rugged stony country of ridges, cuestas and plateaus with

some sloping or low hilly dissected areas on sandstone,

quartzite, shale and some limestone

REGOLITH: Bare Rock outcrop, dissected areas, narrow valley plains of

limited extent, stony soils

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sedimentary rocks, Proterozoic basic and

ultrabasic rocks, Proterozoic granite, Devonian sedimentary rocks (Halls Creek Province, Ord Basin, Bonaparte Gulf

Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m

RELIEF: 300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Granite domes with intervening alluvial plains; Rocky

sandstone plateaus and hills; gentle lower slopes, some

deeply incised valleys; undulaitng

BOUNDARIES: Surrounded by gently undulating country and coastal plains;

rocky plateaus and ridges to the south

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Geological Series OTHER SOURCES: Landforms and Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m; Sheets 8 & 9

Atlas of Austrlaian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, NOV 1985

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NAME: THEDA NUMBER: 360

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Undulating country

SOILS: Sands with ferruginous gravel, shallow stony soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION: JK14, Mo21,22, My62

DESCRIPTION: Undulating country with widely spaced steep-sided

residuals, hilly and mountainous country, extensive valley

plains

REGOLITH: Stony soils, rock outcrop on interfluves, deeper sands on

foot slopes, and gravelly hard mottled soils on plateau

tops where drainage is restricted

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic basalt plateaus with widely separated low hilly

interfluves with some exposure of underlying sandstone

(Kimberley Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m
RELIEF: Less than 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Gently undulaitng country developed on shale and sandstone,

sandstone-capped scarps with much rock outcrop

BOUNDARIES: Rugged stony country and bare rocks

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Geological series
OTHER SOURCES: Landform and Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 9 Atlas

of Australian Soils; Vegetation Survey of WA 1:1 000 000

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

PANTER DOWNS

NUMBER:

361

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Rugged stony country

SOILS:

Shallow sandy and stony soils, red earths with a layer of

fine ferruginous gravel on the surface

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BA6, MO22, My62, JK14

DESCRIPTION:

Rugged stony country, ridges cuestas and plateaus with some sloping or low hilly dissected areas; extensive valley plains, undulating country developed on basalt with some

exposure of underlying sandstone

REGOLITH:

Stony country, dissected bare rocks

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic sandstone, quartzite, shale and some limestone,

basalt and dolerite (Kimberley Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m Up to 100 m

RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS:

Gently undulating country developed on sandstone Undulating country and undulating to low hills

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Geological series Landform and Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 9 Atlas

of Australian Soils; Vegetation Survey of WA 1:1 000 000

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov, 1985

NAME:

LANSDOWNE

NUMBER:

362

STYLE:

SOILS:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Mountainous sandstone country, ridges, cuestas, plateaus Shallow sands, some ironstone gravels on broad plains,

stony soils

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

BA2,3, Qb34, Gj1, JJ24

DESCRIPTION:

Mountainous sandstone country with narrow valleys cut into basalt. Ridges, cuestas, and plateaus formed in sandstone,

quartzite, shale and some limestone

REGOLITH:

Stony country, some ironstone gravels

GEOLOGY:

Proterozoic basalt, sandstone, quartzite, shale and some

limestone; minor granite (Kimberley Basin)

ELEVATION:

Average 300 m

RELIEF:

From 100 to 300 m

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Mountains and hills developed from granitic rocks Undulating to hilly country, some rocky ridges

BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES:

1:5 m Relief Map of Australian

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Australia 1:2.5 m & 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Geological series Landforms and Relief of Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 9 Atlas of

Australian Soils; Vegetation Survey of WA 1:1 m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

GWD'A, Nov. 1985

NAME: ALICE DOWNS

NUMBER: 363

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Mountainous country, rocky ridges

SOILS: Shallow stony sandy soils, neutral hard red soils, red

earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: JJ24, F9, Qb33,34, Mz27

DESCRIPTION: Mountainous country developed from granitic rocks, gently

undulating broad valley floors

REGOLITH: Much rock outcrop on crests and upper slopes, soils on

lower slopes and on valley plains, laterite plateaus and

scattered granite hills

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic metamorphic sedimentary, volcanic rocks;

quartzite, sandstone, shale; Proterozoic granite and dolerite, Devonian rocks (Halls Creek Province & Ord Basin)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m RELIEF: 300 - 400 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Rocky plateaus and ridges with some broad valley floors
BOUNDARIES: Sandplains, dune fields, mountainous sandstone, bare rocks

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 & 1:5 m; 1:250 000 Geological Series

OTHER SOURCES: Landforms and Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m; Sheet 9 Atlas

of Australian Soils; Vegetation Survey of WA 1:1 m

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, Nov 1985

NAME: BIRRINDUDU

NUMBER: 364

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Sand plains, stony hills and ranges

SOILS: Red earthy sands, some yellow earthy sands, neutral red

earths

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB29, My66,98, BA5

DESCRIPTION: Undulating sand plains and stony hills and ranges.

REGOLITH: Shallow ironstone-gravelly sands on low gravelly rises,

broad shallow drainage floors with calcrete, low to steep hilly country with mesas and buttes capped with pisolitic ironstone or ferruginunised and silicified sandstone and greywacke, lateritised volcanics, sediments and

metamorphics

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic sandstone and volcanics, some granite

(Birrindudu Basin and the Granites-Tanami Block)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m

RELIEF: 30 m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Low to steep hilly country with mesas and buttes

BOUNDARIES: Upland, dunefelds, ridges and plateaus

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australian 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m;

1:250 000 Geological series

OTHER SOURCES: Australian Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Sheets 8 & 9 Atlas

of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, 28 Nov, 1985

NAME: WILBRUNGA

NUMBER: 365

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Uplands

SOILS: Red earthy sands, red siliceous sands on dune crests and

upper slopes, shallow loams and saline clays in salt lakes

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB55,56,53,54,29, My104, BA5, SV10,12

DESCRIPTION: Broad very gently undulating upland (Tableland) elevated

above adjacent dune fields; Dune fields; salt pans

REGOLITH: Low laterite-capped residuals showing exposure of

sedimentary rocks, areas of calcrete of variable extent, plains straddled with salt pans, seasonal lakes, calcrete platforms and fringing dunes; ironstone gravels and

ironstone duricrust

GEOLOGY: Palaeozoic, Proterozoic sedimentary rock, metamorphosed

sedimentary and volcanic rocks (the Granites-Tanami and

Arunta Blocks)

ELEVATION: Average 300 m

RELIEF: 30m

MINOR LANDFORMS: Undulating plains with low rocky ridges and hills, some

capped by laterite, stony hills and ranges largely derived

from sandstone; aeolian sand dunes

BOUNDARIES: Area of ridges and plateaus, stony hills and ranges, sand

plains

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Relief Map of Australia 1:5 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Australia 1:2.5 & 1:5 m; Cainozoic of the NT 1:2.5 m

OTHER SOURCES: Relief and Landforms 1:5 m; Cainozoic Cover and Weathering

1:10 m; Sheet 10NW Atlas of Australian Soils; Australian

Major Structural Domains

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: GWD'A, DLG, JAn 1986

NAME: BEAGLE NUMBER: 366

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Sandplain

SOILS: Red sands (Uc5.2, Uc2.1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB21,26

DESCRIPTION: Broadly domed sandplain, with little active drainage,

despite moderately high seasonal rainfall. Pindan

vegetation

REGOLITH: Deep, red residual sand; minor alluvium and ferruginous

duricrust

GEOLOGY: Cretaceous sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by

duricrust and residual sand

ELEVATION: 5 - 250 RELIEF: Low

MINOR LANDFORMS: Dissected in central west by ephemeral streams. Minor

coastal plain

BOUNDARIES: Essentially geological

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS: Minor heavy minerals in coastal sands

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

MELLIGO

NUMBER:

367

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Low tableland

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12), sandy red duplex soils (Dr5.32)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

Low tableland or plain, with numerous rock outcrops

REGOLITH:

Minor only (soils, colluvium, alluvium etc)

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous Melligo Sandstone of the Canning Basin. Sandstone is silicified (opaline silica), but this is

probably of diagenetic rather than surficial origin

ELEVATION:

0 - 40

RELIEF:

Moderate - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Coastal plains

BOUNDARIES:

Limit of outcrop area of Melligo Sandstone in the Dampier

Peninsula

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: OTHER SOURCES:

Canning Basin 1:1m, Yampi 1:250 000 CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

JOWLAENGA

NUMBER:

368

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Plain Red earths (Gn2.12)

SOILS:

My61

SOILS ASSOCIATION: DESCRIPTION:

Residual sandplain, with rocky mesas and active drainage

REGOLITH:

Residual sand, some aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Cretaceous sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic sand

ELEVATION:

5 - 140

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Poorly developed aeolian seif dunes

BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES:

Broome 1:1m

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

From geology and soils data

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: DERBY NUMBER: 369

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Coastal plain

SOILS: Grey clays (Uf1.41)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: JW1

DESCRIPTION: Broad coastal plain with intertidal and supratidal

mudflats, and mangrove swamps

REGOLITH: Coastal muds

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic units

ELEVATION: 0 - ?10
RELIEF: Very low
MINOR LANDFORMS: Beach ridges

BOUNDARIES: Geological: edge of the area of coastal sediment

REFERENCES: Semeniuk (1980)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m; Derby 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Dec 1985

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NAME: ELLENDALE NUMBER: 370

STYLE: Erosional/depositional

BASIC FORM: Plain

SOILS: Red earths (Gn2.12), sands (Uc5.21), duplex soils (Dy2.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: My58, Ab21,24,26, Sk19

DESCRIPTION: Plain of residual and aeolian sand with numerous low

breakaways and ridges. Weakly developed longitudinal sand

dunes

REGOLITH: Residual and aeolian sand, ferruginous duricrust, minor

alluvium

GEOLOGY: Permian and Triassic sediments of the Canning Basin,

overlain by ferruginous duricrust and sand.

ELEVATION: 5 - 160

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: From geological and soils data. Has different soils from

the similar Nerrima unit

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: MEDA NUMBER: 371

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Alluvial plain

SOILS: Grey cracking clays (Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC47,50

DESCRIPTION: Alluvial 'black soil' plain REGOLITH: Alluvium, mainly clays

GEOLOGY: Permian and Devonian sediments of the Canning Basin,

overlain by Quaternary alluvium

ELEVATION: 0 - ?100

RELIEF: Low - very low

MINOR LANDFORMS: 'Black soil' plains in the east may be residual after

limestone rather than alluvial

BOUNDARIES: Limit of 'black soil' floodplains

REFERENCES: Towner (1981)
TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Soils Atlas of Australia, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: OSCAR NUMBER: 372 STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Range

SOILS: Shallow calcareous loamy soils (Um5.11), cracking clays

(Ug5.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: BB12,13, CC47,49

DESCRIPTION: Plateaus and ranges, with broad 'black soil' floored

valleys

REGOLITH: Minor only (minor residual and aeolian sands in valleys,

soils etc)

GEOLOGY: Exhumed Devonian limestone reef complex

ELEVATION: 40 - 340 RELIEF: Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of outcrop of Devonian reef complex

REFERENCES: Crowe & Towner (1981)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

FITZROY NAME: NUMBER: 373

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Alluvial plain

Cracking clays (Ug5.2) SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION: CC47.49

Alluvial plain of Fitzroy River, with numerous 'black soil' DESCRIPTION:

areas with gilgai

Alluvium, mainly mud. Some Tertiary gravels of ancestral REGOLITH:

Fitzrov River

Permian sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by GEOLOGY:

Cainozoic alluvial units

0 - 150 ELEVATION:

Low - very low RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Limit of 'black soil' floodplain Crowe & Towner (1981), Towner (1981) REFERENCES:

Broome 1:1m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No9

Tertiary gravels may be diamondiferous COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

GREAT SANDY 1 NAME:

374 NUMBER:

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Aeolian sandplain

SOILS: Red earthy sands (Uc5.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION: Aeolian sandplain with seif dunes. Interdune corridors

generally sand floored

Aeolian sand; ferruginous duricrust probably present beneath most of area REGOLITH:

GEOLOGY: Sediments of the Canning Basin, capped with duricrust, and

overlain by Quaternary aeolian sand

ELEVATION: 5 - ?300

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS: Rocky outcrops, breakaways, low hills, claypans

BOUNDARIES: From geological, topographic and soils data. Great Sandy 2

unit has large areas devoid of sand between dunes

REFERENCES: Crowe (1976) Broome 1:1m TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985 NAME: NUMBER: GRANT

375

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Range

SOILS:

Shallow stony sands(Uc4), yellow leached earths (Gn2), red

earthy sands (Uc5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

JJ18, MB1, AB21,27

DESCRIPTION:

Plateaus and hills with broad valleys

REGOLITH:

Minor only (soils; residual and aeolian sand in valleys) Anticline of Permian sediments of the Canning Basin

GEOLOGY:

ELEVATION:

40 - 340

RELIEF:

Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From geology, soils, and topography

REFERENCES: TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Towner (1981) Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

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NUMBER:

376

STYLE:

Erosional Range

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Ironstone gravel with sandy matrix (KS-Uc4.2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

'Breakaway range', with steep north-facing scarps at the

southern margin, and steep sided mesas with undulating

plain between.

REGOLITH:

Ferruginous duricrust, ironstone gravels. Deep weathering profile in mudstones is well exposed. Minor aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin, with duricrust and

deep weathering profiles

ELEVATION:

130 - 230

RELIEF:

Moderate - high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Aeolian seif dunes Edge of dissected area

BOUNDARIES: REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Mount Anderson 1:250 000; Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Mount Anderson 1:250 000; Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: NITA 377 NUMBER:

Depositional STYLE: Sandplain BASIC FORM:

red earthy sands (Uc5) SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION: AB21.22

Aeolian sandplain with longitudinal sand dunes only weakly DESCRIPTION:

developed. Pindan country

Aeolian sand, probably underlain through most of the area REGOLITH:

by ferruginous duricrust

Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by GEOLOGY:

ferruginous duricrust, and aeolian sand

ELEVATION: 5 - 200

RELIEF: Low - very low

Low hills and rocky outcrops MINOR LANDFORMS:

From soils and geological data. Northern boundary with **BOUNDARIES:**

residual sand of the Beagle unit from geology

REFERENCES: Gibson (1983) TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

Canning Basin 1:1m GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atlas of Australian Soils OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

EIGHTY MILE BEACH NAME:

NUMBER: 378

STYLE: Depositional: BASIC FORM: Coastal plain

Pedal calcareous earths (Gc2.22), saline clays (Uf1.41), SOILS:

calcareous sands (Uc1.11)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Lh1, Jw1

Coastal plain, with intertidal and supratidal mudflats, DESCRIPTION:

mangrove swamps, beach ridge complexes, and coastal aeolian

REGOLITH: Coastal muds and sands, cemented in part. May extend to 20

m below sea level

GEOLOGY: Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic coastal sediments

ELEVATION: 0 - 40

Low, except for moderate relief dunes RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: From geology and soils data Towner (1982c), Gibson (1983) REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

Canning Basin 1:1m GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atlas of Australian soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9 OTHER SOURCES:

COMMENTS:

DLG, Nov 1985 COMPILER:

NAME: NERRIMA

NUMBER: 379 STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Plain
SOILS: Yellow leached earths(Gn2), red and yellow duplex soils

(Dr2.42, Dy2.42)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MB1, Qd8

DESCRIPTION: Undulating plain with low hills

REGOLITH: Ferruginous duricrust, sparse aeolian sand, minor alluvium GEOLOGY: Permian and Triassic sediments of the Canning Basin, capped

by ferruginous duricrust and sand

ELEVATION: 40 - 300

RELIEF: Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS: Occasional low steep ranges

BOUNDARIES: From geological, soils and topographic data. Has different

soils from the similar Ellendale unit

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: SAINT GEORGE

NUMBER: 380

STYLE: Erosional Range

SOILS: Shallow stony sands (Uc4)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: JJ18

DESCRIPTION: Plateaus and hills with broad valleys

REGOLITH: Minor only (residual and aeolian sand in valleys; soils

etc)

GEOLOGY: Anticline in Permian sediments of the Canning Basin

ELEVATION: 70 - 330 RELIEF: High

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: From geology, soils and topographic data

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Broome 1:1m; Noonkanbah 1:250 000

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m; Noonkanbah 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils, CSIRO Land Research Series No 9

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

SALT CREEK

NUMBER:

381

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Palaeodrainage channel

SOILS:

Grey brown pedal calcareous earths (Gc2.22), red siliceous

sands (Uc1.23)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

Lh1, B28,30

DESCRIPTION:

Palaeodrainage channel, with numerous small claypans

between aeolian dunes

REGOLITH:

Alluvial and lacustrine deposits, aeolian sand, calcrete;

probably underlain by ferruginous duricrust

GEOLOGY:

Sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

10 - 220

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

From geological and soils data

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

Sediments at a permanent soak on McLarty Hills 1:250 000 sheet reach 7000 years old (K.H. Wyroll, University of

W.A., pers. comm.)

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

GREAT SANDY 2

NUMBER:

382

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Aeolian sandplain

SOILS:

Red earthy and siliceous sands, ironstone gravel with red

earthy sand matrix

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

AB39.40, AY1

DESCRIPTION:

Aeolian dunefield, with numerous rock-floored interdune

corridors, and low rocky hills and breakaways

REGOLITH:

Aeolian sand, ferruginous duricrust

GEOLOGY:

Permian and Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin,

capped by ferruginous duricrust, and overlain by aeolian

sand

ELEVATION:

5 - ?300

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of dunefields in east, south and west. Great Sandy 1

unit to the north generally has sand-floored interdune

areas

REFERENCES:

Crowe (1976), Towner (1982a,b)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broome, Oakover, Halls Creek, Lake Mackay 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG. Nov 1985

NAME:

THORNTON

NUMBER:

383

STYLE:

Erosional

BASIC FORM:

Hills

SOILS:

Red earths (Gn2.12), red earthy sands (Uc5.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

 $M_{\rm V}98$

DESCRIPTION:

Low to steep hills and mesas, with extensive valley plains

REGOLITH:

Deeply weathered bedrock, aeolian sand; ferruginous

GEOLOGY:

duricrust caps may hills Sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by duricrust and

ELEVATION:

250 - ?500

RELIEF:

Moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Aeolian sand dunes

BOUNDARIES:

From geology and soils data

Atlas of Australian Soils

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES: COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

LAKE GREGORY

NUMBER:

384

STYLE:

Depositional Salt 'lake'

BASIC FORM: SOILS:

Cracking clays (Ug5)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

CC54

DESCRIPTION:

Salt 'lake' and alluvial valley

REGOLITH:

Alluvial and lacustrine clay and evaporites; some residual

and aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Permian sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by

Cainozoic alluvium and lacustrine sediments

ELEVATION:

RELIEF:

Low - very low Aeolian sand dunes

MINOR LANDFORMS: BOUNDARIES:

Limit of alluvium etc in the Gregory salt lake and its

feeder creeks

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Halls Creek 1:1m Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

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NUMBER:

385

STYLE:

Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM:

Sandplain

SOILS:

Red, earthy, siliceous and shallow sands (Uc5, Uc1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

DESCRIPTION:

AB21,22

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REGOLITH:

Aeolian sheet sandplain, with numerous small rocky hills Aeolian sand; ferruginous duricrust, developed especially

over mudstones

GEOLOGY:

Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin, overlain by

duricrust and sand

ELEVATION:

5 - 260

RELIEF:

Low - moderate

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Longitudinal sand dunes

BOUNDARIES:

From geological, soils, and topographic data

REFERENCES:

Towner (1982c)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Broome, Oakover River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Port Hedland, Yarrie 1:250 000; Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME:

PERCIVAL

NUMBER:

386

STYLE:

Depositional

BASIC FORM:

Palaeodrainage

SOILS:

Calcareous loams (Um1), red earths, siliceous sands

(Uc1.23), red earthy sands (Uc5.21)

SOILS ASSOCIATION:

SV9, BB17, AB39,40

DESCRIPTION:

Palaeodrainage valley floored with playa lakes; areas of

calcrete (kunkar); residual sand in places

REGOLITH:

Playa lake sediments, calcrete, residual sand. Recent alluvium arround Rudall River in the far west. Probably underlain by ferruginous duricrust. Minor aeolian sand

GEOLOGY:

Mainly Permian and Mesozoic sediments of the Canning Basin,

overlain by Cainozoic units

ELEVATION:

240 - 350

RELIEF:

Low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

Longitudinal sand dunes

BOUNDARIES:

Edge of area of playas, calcrete, and residual sand; from

geology and soils data

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Canning Basin 1:1m

OTHER SOURCES:

Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER:

DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: BROADHURST

NUMBER: 387

STYLE: Erosional

BASIC FORM: Ranges and plains

SOILS: Extensive areas of bare rock, stony earthy loams (Um5.51)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Fa31,32

DESCRIPTION: Hills and ranges with flanking plains

REGOLITH: Minor only (stony soils, colluvium, alluvium, aeolian sand

etc)

GEOLOGY: Proterozoic metamorphics and granite of the Paterson

Province

ELEVATION: 250 - ?500 RELIEF: Low - high

MINOR LANDFORMS: Longitudinal sand dunes

BOUNDARIES: Low relief units to the north, east and west; more rugged

Bamboo Springs unit to the west

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: 1:5 m Relief Map of Australia

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Western Australia 1:2.5 m; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m;

various 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA;

1:5 m Landforms and Relief Map of Australia

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, GWD'A, Dec 1985

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NAME: OAKOVER NUMBER: 388

STYLE: Depositional/erosional

BASIC FORM: Broad valley

SOILS: Earthy clays (Uf6.71), shallow loams (Um5.11), red earths

(Gn2.12)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Ja3, BB11

DESCRIPTION: Broad valley with low mesas and hills

REGOLITH: Tertiary calcrete and opaline silica (Oakover Formation),

alluvium

GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics, overlain by Permian sediments of

the Canning Basin, Tertiary calcrete and Quaternary

alluvium

ELEVATION: 90 - ?300
RELIEF: Moderate - low

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Area without outcrop of Precambrian rocks. Dunefields to

the north

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Oakover River 1:1m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Canning Basin 1:1m; Yarrie, Nullagine 1:250 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

DE GREY NAME: NUMBER: 389

Depositional STYLE: Floodplain BASIC FORM:

Red duplex soils (Dr2), red earthy sands (Uc5.21) SOILS:

SOILS ASSOCIATION: 0c40.61. AB19

DESCRIPTION: Alluvial floodplains, and pediments

Sandy alluvium, mostly deposited by prior streams REGOLITH:

Precambrian granites and greenstones overlain by Cainozoic GEOLOGY:

alluvium

ELEVATION: 5 - 120 Low RELIEF:

MINOR LANDFORMS: Hills, longitudinal dunefields

Geological - limit of alluvial and dunefield area BOUNDARIES:

REFERENCES: Hickman & Gibson (1982)

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS:

Port Hedland 1:250 000, Pilbara Block 1:500 000 GEOLOGICAL MAPS:

Atlas of Australian Soils OTHER SOURCES:

Includes the delta of the De Grey River COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, Nov 1985

NAME: MOOLYELLA

NUMBER: 390

Erosional STYLE:

BASIC FORM: Undulating plains

Earthy loams (Um5.51), red earths (Gn2.1), duplex soils SOILS:

(Dr2)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Fa12, My54, Oc62,63

Gently undulating plain with low granite tors and mesas, DESCRIPTION:

and extensive pediments

REGOLITH: Residual sand from deeply weathered granite

Archaean granite of the Pilbara Block GEOLOGY:

ELEVATION:

70 - 300 Low - moderate RELIEF: MINOR LANDFORMS: Steep rugged ranges

Surrounded by the more rugged Bamboo Springs unit, and the BOUNDARIES:

depositional De Grey unit

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Australia 1:5 m Relief

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Pilbara Block 1:500 000, Australia 1:2.5 and 1:5 m, various

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils: 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA;

1:5 m Landforms and Relief of Australia

COMMENTS:

DLG, GWD'A, Dec 1985 COMPILER:

NAME: BAMBOO SPRINGS

NUMBER: 391

STYLE: Erosional BASIC FORM: Steep Ranges

SOILS: Brown loams (Um6.23), duplex soils (Dr2.13), shallow stony

earthy loams (Um5.51)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: Gf1, Oa11, Fa28,29,30

DESCRIPTION: Rugged ranges, some narrow valley plains, high undulating

areas

REGOLITH: Minor only (colluvium, alluvium, stony soils etc)

GEOLOGY: Precambrian metamorphics and sediments (Pilbara Block and

Hamersley Basin)

ELEVATION: 150 - 420

RELIEF: Moderate - very high

MINOR LANDFORMS:

BOUNDARIES: Fortescue valley to the south, lower less rugged units to

the north and east

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamersley Range, Oakover River 1:1 m; 1:5 m Relief Map of

Austral

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Pilbara Block 1:500 000; Australia 1:2.5 m and 1:5 m; 1:250

000 series

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils; 1:1 m Vegetation Survey of WA;

1:5 m Landforms and Relief of Australia

COMMENTS:

COMPILER: DLG, GWD'A, Dec 1985

NAME: ROEBOURNE

NUMBER: 392

STYLE: Depositional BASIC FORM: Alluvial plain

SOILS: Cracking clays (Ug5.38), duplex soils (Dr2.33), clays

(Uf6.71), loams (Um1)

SOILS ASSOCIATION: MM17, SV8

DESCRIPTION: Alluvial plains, some hills

REGOLITH: Fine alluvium

GEOLOGY: Precambrian rocks of the PIlbara Block, overlain by

Cainozoic alluvium

ELEVATION: 0 - ?150 RELIEF: Low

RELIEF. LOW

MINOR LANDFORMS: Coastal saline plains

BOUNDARIES: Margin of alluvial plain. Mapped separately from the De

Grey unit on the basis of finer sediment and clay soils in

the Roebourne unit

REFERENCES:

TOPOGRAPHIC MAPS: Hamersley Range 1:1 m

GEOLOGICAL MAPS: Western Australia 1:2.5 m, Pilbara Block 1:500 000

OTHER SOURCES: Atlas of Australian Soils

COMMENTS:

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