

HIL Hilpara Land System

Rocky range in the Minburra-Yalpara district. Name derives from Hilpara Creek which cuts through the range.

Area: 254.2 km²

Geology: Saddleworth Formation (Pbs) siltstones and Cradock Quartzite (Pbv) which outcrop in the Minburra-Yalpara district and Appila Tillite (Pua) which forms the main range. Other formations which underlie the system include Tapley Hill Formation siltstones, Pound and ABC Range Quartzite, Skillogalee Dolomite and Wonoka Formation siltstones. Outwash sediments from these rocks underlie plains, pediments and creek flats. Deep weathering materials with associated ironstone gravels occur on some pediments.

Topography: Linear, arcuate parallel low rocky ranges with pediments and wide inter-range valleys. Etch plains of low relief on basement rock are included in the south east of the land system.

Elevation: There is decreasing elevation from 450 m asl in the north-west to 350 m in the south east. Similarly, the low hilly ranges give way to low rises where the land system abuts the Black Rock Plain land system in the south-west.

Relief: In the ranges, the relief is mostly around 40 - 50 m but occasional is as much as 70 m

Annual rainfall: 230 – 335 mm average

Soils: Very shallow and stony red sandy loam to loam soils on hard basement rock occur on upper slopes and crests, where rock outcrop is extensive. Moderately deep red gradational sandy loams to clay loams on weathered siltstones and sandstones occur on slopes. Loam to clay loam over red friable clay with soft carbonate segregations occur on lower slopes and pediments on sediment derived from siltstones and other fine-grained rocks.

Calcareous loam grading to highly calcareous clay occurs on lower slopes and pediments.

Main soils

- L1** Shallow stony soil on rock
- L1a** Shallow stony loam on fine grained rock
- L1b** Shallow stony sandy loam on medium grained rock
- L1c** Shallow stony loamy sand on coarse grained rock
- L1d** Shallow stony sandy loam on quartzite
- A5** Rubbly calcareous loam on clay
- C2** Gradational loam on rock
- D1** Loam over (pedaric) clay on rock

Minor soils

Formed on basement rock

- A2** Shallow calcareous loam
- B2** Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete
- D7** Loam over poorly structured clay on rock
- RR** Rock outcrop



Formed on outwash deposits or deep weathering material

- A3** Deep moderately calcareous loam to sandy loam
- A4** Deep (rubbly) calcareous sandy loam to loam
- A6** Gradational calcareous clay loam
- C1** Gradational sandy loam
- C3** Friable gradational (sandy) clay loam
- C4** Hard gradational clay loam
- D2** Sandy loam to clay loam over red clay
- D4** Loam to clay loam over pedaric red clay
- D6** Ironstone gravelly loam over red clay
- E2** Red cracking clay
- J1** Ironstone gravelly clay loam over brown clay
- M1** Deep alluvial sandy loam
- M3** Stony alluvial soil

Summary:

The Hilpara Land System consists of an arcuate linear range. Soils range from shallow sandy loam to loam soils on siltstones and quartzites on upper slopes, to deeper gradational and sodic (pedaric) texture contrast soils on lower slopes and pediments. Calcareous soils occur in places on some pediments. Scalding and gully erosion, mostly relics from the days of early settlement, are widespread. Some local areas of salinity are associated with exposed saline weathered parent rock.

Soil Landscape Unit summary: 89 Soil Landscape Units (SLUs) mapped in the Hilpara Land System:

SLU	% of area	Component	Main soils	Prop#	Notes
AAH	0.2	Rolling rises	L1	D	Rolling rises with shallow rocky calcareous soils formed on fine-grained rocks. Rock outcrops are common. Watercourses are eroded, with up to 20% of land affected by gully erosion. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> with <u>shallow calcareous loam - A2</u> and <u>gradational loam on rock - C2</u> .
ABA	1.7	Undulating low hills	L1RR	D	Hills and rises with linear rocky quartzite outcrops and shallow rocky soils on interbedded fine-grained rocks.
ABH	0.5	Rolling rises	L1RR	D	ABA Undulating low hills. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 3-10%. ABH Rolling rises with eroded watercourses. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony sandy loam to loam - L1a,b,d</u> and <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> , with <u>shallow calcareous loam - A2</u> .
ADD	0.4	Steep low hills	L1RR	D	Non arable rocky rises formed on limestones and calc-siltstones such as Skillogee Dolomite with very shallow loamy soils.
ADG	1.0	Undulating low hills	L1	D	ADD Steep low hills.
ADH	1.3	Rolling rises	L1	D	Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 30-50%. ADG Undulating low hills with eroded watercourses. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 3-10%. ADH Rolling rises, with eroded watercourses. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> , with <u>shallow calcareous loam - A2</u> , <u>gradational loam on rock - C2</u> and <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> . Non-arable, limited pastoral use.
AIC	0.5	Rolling low hills	L1RRC2	D	Hills with shallow rocky soils formed mainly on fine grained rocks with interbedded quartzites. Rock outcrop is common.
AID	0.8	Steep low hills	L1RRC2	D	AIC Rolling low hills. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 3-10%.
AIH	0.6	Rolling rises	L1RRC2	D	AID Steep low hills. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 10-30%.
AJ	1.3	Steep low	L1RRC2	D	AIH Rolling rises with more than 20% gullied land and 0-5%



		hills			scalded. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 3-10%.
AIV	0.8	Steep low hills	L1RRC2	D	AIV Steep low hills with more than 20% gullied land and 0-5% scalded. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 10-30%. AIV Steep low hills with more than 20% gullied land and more than 5% affected by landslips. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 10-30%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony loam</u> - L1a , <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR and <u>gradational loam on rock</u> - C2 . Minor <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 on lower slopes and depressions. Non-arable.
APB	1.9	Rolling rises	L1D1	D	Hills and rises on coarse-grained basement rocks particularly Appila Tillite Formation. APB Rolling rises. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. APE Steep hills with more than 20% gullied land and potential for mass movement. Relief is more than 90m, slopes are 30 - 60%. APF Very steep hills with more than 20% gullied land and potential for mass movement. Relief is more than 90m, slopes are more than 60%. APH Rolling rises with 10-20% gullied land, locally severe, minor scalding/sheet erosion. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. APJ Steep low hills with eroded watercourses. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 30-50%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony sandy loam</u> - L1b and <u>loam over (pedaric) red clay on rock</u> - D1 . Non arable.
APE	0.4	Steep hills	L1D1	D	
APF	0.2	Very steep hills	L1D1RR	D	
APH	3.3	Rolling rises	L1D1	D	
APJ	7.5	Steep low hills	L1D1	D	
AQB	1.6	Rolling rises	L1	D	Non-arable low hills formed on Pound Quartzite Formation with very shallow stony soils and rocky outcrops. AQB Rolling rises. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 3-10%. AQC Rolling low hills. Relief is 30-90m, slopes are 3-10%. AQN Rolling rises with 10-50% scalded land and 0-5% gullied. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony loamy sand to sandy loam</u> - L1c&d , with <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR and <u>gradational loam over rock</u> - C2 . Non arable.
AQC	0.8	Rolling low hills	L1	D	
AQN	0.4	Rolling rises	L1	D	
AYA	0.2	Undulating rises	A2L1RR	D	Undulating rises on fine grained rocks, especially siltstones of the Tapley Hill Formation. Relief is less than 30m, slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>shallow calcareous loam</u> - A2 , <u>shallow stony loam</u> - L1a and <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR .
DaI	0.4	Rolling pediments	D1D4C2	D	Rolling pediments with clay loamy soils over basement within a metre of the surface. Slopes are 10-20%. 10-20% of land is gullied and subsoils are slightly saline. Main soils: <u>loam over clay on rock</u> - D1 , <u>loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 and <u>gradational loam on rock</u> - C2 , with <u>shallow stony loam</u> - L1a and <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR .
ECC	2.7	Undulating rises	L1C2	D	Rises formed on Tapley Hill Formation siltstones with shallow soils. Subsoils are moderately saline. ECC Undulating rises. Relief is less than 30m, slopes are 3-10%. ECD Rolling rises. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. ECG Gently undulating rises. 10-20% of land is gullied. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 30m. ECH Undulating rises. 5-10% of land is gullied. Relief is less than 30m, slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>shallow stony sandy loam</u> - L1b and <u>gradational loam on rock</u> - C2 , with <u>sandy loam to loam over clay on rock</u> - D1 .
ECD	0.7	Rolling rises	L1C2	D	
ECG	1.1	Gently undulating rises	L1C2	D	
ECH	5.6	Undulating rises	L1C2	D	
EFC	2.4	Undulating rises	A2D7L1	D	Rises and plains with moderately shallow soils overlying hard calcareous rocks, including Appila Tillite, and various



EFP	0.2	Plains	L1C2	D	siltstones and limestones.
EFQ	2.0	Gently undulating rises	L1C2	D	EFQ Undulating rises with minor scalding. Relief is less than 30m, slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>shallow calcareous loam - A2</u> , <u>loam over poorly structured clay on rock - D7</u> and <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> .
EFU	0.3	Plains	L1C2	D	
EFX	0.2	Rolling rises	D7L1	D	EFU Plains with minor scalding and gullyng. Most soils are saline and there are 10-50% "magnesia" patches. Slopes are less than 1% and relief is less than 9m. Main soils: <u>shallow stony sandy loam - L1b</u> and <u>gradational loam on rock - C2</u> , with <u>sandy loam to loam over clay on rock - D1</u> . EFQ Gently undulating rises with minor scalding and gullyng. Most soils are saline and there are 10-50% "magnesia" patches. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 30m. Main soils: <u>shallow stony sandy loam - L1b</u> and <u>gradational loam on rock - C2</u> , with <u>sandy loam to loam over clay on rock - D1</u> . EFU Plains with 0-5% gullied land, 5-10% scalded and soils have moderate subsoil salinity. Slopes are less than 1% and relief is less than 9m. Main soils: <u>shallow stony sandy loam - L1b</u> and <u>gradational loam on rock - C2</u> , with <u>sandy loam to loam over clay on rock - D1</u> . EFX Rolling rises on calc-siltstone, with moderate scalding. Rocky outcrops are common. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. Main soils: <u>loam over poorly structured clay on rock - D7</u> and <u>shallow stony sandy loam - L1b</u> .
EHB	0.1	Gently sloping plain	A2	V	Rises and pediments on calcareous shales, siltstones and limestones such as the Tindelpina Shale of the Tapley Hill Formation, Wonoka Formation and the ABC Range Quartzite of the Wilpena Group. The soil-landscape units are also associated with Bunyeroo Formation shales with some outwash contribution from calcareous Wonoka Formation calc-siltstones.
		Rocky outcrops	RR	L	
EHV	0.3	Gently sloping plain	A2	V	EHB Gently undulating pediments with rocky rises <i>Pediments:</i> Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m. <i>Rocky Rises:</i> Slopes are 3-10%, relief is 9-30m. EHV Gently undulating pediments with rocky rises <i>Pediments:</i> Gently undulating plains, 10-50% of land is scalded. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m. <i>Rocky Rises:</i> Undulating rises, Up to 5% of land is scalded. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is 9-30m. Main soils: <i>Plains and Pediments:</i> <u>shallow calcareous loam - A2</u> , with <u>shallow calcareous loam on calcrete - B2</u> and <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> . <i>Rocky rises:</i> <u>Shallow stony loam - L1a</u> with <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> .
		Rocky outcrops	RR	L	
ERC	0.3	Undulating rises	A2L1RR	D	Undulating rises with shallow dark brown clay loamy calcareous soils on calc-siltstones and shales typically Willochra Formation. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>shallow calcareous clay loam - A2</u> , <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> and <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> .
EVC	1.3	Undulating rises	A2	V	Rises with rock outcrops and shallow calcareous soils formed on fine-grained calcareous rocks.
		Rocky outcrops	RR	C	EVC Undulating rises. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9-30m.
EVD	0.1	Rolling rises	A2	V	EVD Rolling rises. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 10-30%. Main soils: <i>Rises:</i> <u>shallow calcareous loam - A2</u> , with <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> and <u>shallow calcareous loam on</u>
		Rocky outcrops	RR	C	



					<u>calcrete</u> - B2 <u>Rocky outcrops</u> : <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR with <u>shallow stony loam</u> - L1a .
EWC	4.1	Undulating rises	C2L1RR	D	Rises formed on tillite, siltstone or quartzite. Rocky outcrops are common. Sporadic ironstone gravel patches.
EWH	0.3	Undulating rises	C2L1RR	D	EWC Undulating rises. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 3-10%.
EWI	3.7	Rolling low hills	C2L1RR	D	EWH Undulating rises with 5-10% gullied land. Relief is 9-30m, slopes are 3-10%.
EWV	0.8	Gently undulating rises	C2L1RR	D	EWI Rolling rises; more than 20% of land is gullied and is therefore non-arable. Relief is 9-30m, Slopes are 10-30%.
EW W	0.8	Undulating rises	C2L1RR	D	EWV Gently undulating rises with 10-20% gullied land, and 5-10% scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 30m.
EZB	0.3	Gently undulating rises	A2A5B2	V	Rises with mostly shallow calcareous soils on weathered siltstones of the Tapley Hill Formation and Tarcowie Siltstone
		Rocky outcrops	RR	C	EZB Gently undulating rises with rocky outcrops. Up to 5% of land is gullied and/or scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 30m.
EZG	0.4	Gently undulating rises	A2A5B2	V	EZG Gently undulating rises with rocky outcrops. 10-20% of land is gullied and 5-10% is scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 30m.
		Rocky outcrops	RR	C	EZI Gently undulating rises with rocky outcrops, with 10-50% of land scalded and 10-20% gullied. Moderate subsoil salinity is common. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 30m.
EZI	0.5	Gently undulating rises	A2A5B2	V	Main soils: Rises: <u>shallow calcareous loam</u> - A2 , <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 and <u>shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - B2 .
		Rocky outcrops	RR	C	<u>Rocky outcrops</u> : <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR , with <u>shallow stony loam</u> - L1a and <u>shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - B2
JFB	0.5	Gently undulating pediments	D2D4C1	D	Pediments with mostly clay loamy soils formed on fine grained outwash deposits.
JFC	0.1	Undulating pediments	D2D4C1	D	JFB Gently undulating pediments. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
JJG	3.3	Gently sloping plain	D6A3	D	JFC Undulating pediments. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9m.
JJV	0.2	Gently sloping plain	D6A3	D	Main soils: <u>clay loam over red clay</u> - D2 , <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 and <u>gradational sandy loam</u> - C1 .
JJG	3.3	Gently sloping plain	D6A3	D	Pediments and plains with deep loamy soils underlain by Saddleworth Formation siltstones and associated outwash sediments.
JJV	0.2	Gently sloping plain	D6A3	D	JJG Gently sloping plain with 10-20% gullied land and 5-10% scalded. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
JJG	3.3	Gently sloping plain	D6A3	D	JJV Gently sloping plain with 0-5% gullied land; 10-50% scalded and subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
JJV	0.2	Gently sloping plain	D6A3	D	Main soils: <u>ironstone gravelly loam over red clay</u> - D6 and <u>deep moderately calcareous loam</u> - A3 .
JKG	0.8	Pediments	D2A3A5	D	Pediments with mostly deep sandy loam surfaced soils. 10-20% of land is gullied and 0-5% is scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
JNo	0.1	Creek flats	D4D2A5	D	Main soils: <u>sandy loam over red clay</u> - D2 , <u>deep moderately calcareous sandy loam</u> - A3 and <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 , with <u>gradational sandy loam</u> - C1 .
JNU	0.7	Plains	D4D2A5	D	Pediments and plains with deep clay loamy soils formed on fine grained outwash deposits.
JNY	0.2	Drainage	D4D2A5	D	JNo Creek flats; 10-20% affected by gully and 10-50%



		line			scalded, locally more than 50%. JNU Level plain; 5-10% scalded. JNY drainage line with 5-10% scalding and less than 5% gullying. Main soils: <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> , <u>clay loam over red clay - D2</u> , and <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> , with <u>red cracking clay - E2</u> .
JOU	0.8	Plains	JID4	D	Plains with clay loamy soils, some ironstone gravelly, formed on fine grained outwash deposits. Plains have 10-50% scalding and 0-5% gullying. Subsoils are moderately saline. Main soils: <u>ironstone gravelly clay loam over brown clay - J1</u> and <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> .
JXB	1.4	Gently sloping pediments	D2	V	Complex of pediments and rocky rises. Most soils have clay loam surfaces. Slopes are 1-3%. Main soils: <i>Pediments:</i> <u>clay loam over red clay - D2</u> , with <u>loam over clay on rock - D1</u> <i>Rises:</i> <u>loam over clay on rock - D1</u> , with <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> .
		Rocky rises	D1	C	
JYII	0.4	Pediments	D4D1D7	V	Complex of gently sloping clay loamy pediments (1-3% slope) and rocky rises. Gullying affects 10-20% of land and scalding affects 10-50% on pediments. Main soils: <i>Pediments:</i> <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> , <u>loam over clay on rock - D1</u> and <u>loam over poorly structured clay on rock - D7</u> , with <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> and <u>gradational loam on rock - C2</u> . <i>Rises:</i> <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> with <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> .
		Rocky rises	RR	C	
JZo	0.6	Creek flat	D4A5	V	Complex of creek flats and pediments formed on fine grained outwash sediments and basement rocks, and rocky rises.
		Rocky outcrops	RR	C	
JZv	0.3	Gently undulating pediments	D4D1D2	V	JZo Creek flat with rocky outcrops. Over 20% of the creek banks have unstable gullies and more than 50% of the banks are scalded. The rocky outcrops are not scalded or gullied. JZv Gently undulating pediments with rocky rises. 10-50% of pediments are scalded, and gullying affects 10-20%. Slopes are 1-3% on pediments and 3-10% on rises. Main soils: <i>Pediments and flats:</i> <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> , <u>loam over clay on rock - D1</u> , <u>clay loam over red clay - D2</u> and <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> , with <u>deep moderately calcareous loam - A3</u> . <i>Rocky rises:</i> <u>rock outcrop - RR</u> and <u>loam over clay on rock - D1</u> with <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> .
		Rocky rises	D1	C	
KcH	0.7	Pediments	A5A4	D	Undulating pediments formed on outwash sediments with slopes of 3-10%. 10-20% of land is gullied. Main soils: <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> and <u>deep (rubbly) calcareous sandy loam - A4</u> with <u>friable gradational clay loam - C3</u> .
KGB	2.2	Gently undulating pediments	C3C1	D	Pediments and plains formed on medium textured outwash sediments. KGB Gently undulating pediments, with minor scalding and gullying. Slopes are 1-3%.
KGI	1.2	Gently undulating pediments	C3C1	D	KGI Gently undulating pediments with slight scalding (less than 5%) and minor gullying which is locally more severe along drainage lines. Slopes are 1-3%.
KGo	0.6	Creek flat	C3C1	D	KGo Creek flat with 10-20% gullied banks and 0-5% scalding. KGV Gently undulating pediments with 10-20% scalding
KGV	0.1	Gently undulating pediments	C3C1	D	



KGW	0.6	Undulating pediments	C3C1	D	and 0-5% gullyng. Slopes are 1-3%. KGW Undulating pediments with 10-20% scalding and 5-10% gullyng. Slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>friable gradational sandy clay loam - C3</u> and <u>gradational sandy loam - C1</u> .
KHC	0.4	Undulating pediments	A4D4C1	D	Pediments formed on outwash sediments. KHC Undulating pediments. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9m.
KHE	0.2	Drainage line	A4D4C1	D	KHE Drainage line. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KHG	4.4	Gently undulating pediments	A4D4C1	D	KHG Gently undulating pediments. Gullyng affects 5-10% of land. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KHI	0.4	Gently undulating pediments	A4D4C1	D	KHI Gently undulating pediments. Gullyng affects 5-10% of land and 10-50% is scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KHm	0.5	Undulating pediments	A4D4C1	D	KHm Undulating pediments. Gullyng affects 10-20% of land and 5-10% is scalded. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9m. Main soils: <u>deep (rubbly) calcareous sandy loam - A4</u> , <u>loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> and <u>gradational sandy loam - C1</u> .
KIH	2.3	Undulating pediments	D1D4E2	D	Undulating pediments formed on fine grained rock and associated outwash sediments with clay loamy soils. 5-10% of land is gullied. Slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>loam over clay on rock - D1</u> , <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> and <u>red cracking clay - E2</u> .
KJB	0.7	Gently undulating pediments	C4C3A6	D	Pediments with clay loam surfaced soils formed on fine grained outwash sediments. KJB Gently undulating pediments. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KJC	0.7	Undulating pediments	C4C3A6	D	KJC Undulating pediments. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9m.
KJH	0.5	Undulating pediments	C4C3A6	D	KJH Undulating pediments with up to 20% gullyng. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9m.
KJJ	0.3	Drainage line	C4C3A6	D	KJJ Drainage line with more than 20% gullyng. Main soils: <u>hard gradational clay loam - C4</u> , <u>friable gradational sandy clay loam - C3</u> and <u>gradational calcareous clay loam - A6</u> , with <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> and <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay - D4</u> .
KKB	1.8	Gently undulating pediments	A6A5	D	Pediments formed on fine grained outwash sediments with calcareous clay loamy soils. KKB Gently undulating pediments. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KKC	0.6	Undulating pediments	A6A5	D	KKC Undulating pediments with 5-10% gullied land and 0-5% scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 3-10%, relief is less than 9m.
KKD	0.2	Rolling pediments	A6A5L1	D	KKD Rolling pediments with 5-10% gullied land and 0-5% scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 10-30%, relief is less than 9m.
KKG	0.6	Gently undulating pediments	A6A5	D	KKG Gently undulating pediments with 10-20% gullied land and 0-5% scalded. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KKH	1.0	Undulating pediments	A6A5	D	KKH Gently undulating pediment with 5-10% of land affected by gullyng, scalding occurs on 0-5%. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
KKV	0.3	Gently undulating pediments	A6A5	D	KKV Gently undulating pediment with 0-5% of land affected by gullyng, scalding occurs on 5-10%. Subsoils are moderately saline. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m. Main soils: <u>gradational calcareous clay loam - A6</u> and <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay - A5</u> , with <u>friable gradational clay loam - C3</u> , <u>red cracking clay - E2</u> and <u>shallow stony loam - L1a</u> .



KLB	2.2	Gently undulating pediments	A5	D	Pediments with clay loamy calcareous soils. KLB Gently undulating pediments with slopes of 1-3%. Subsoils have moderate salinity.
KLC	0.2	Undulating pediments	A5	D	KLC Undulating pediment with slopes of 3-10%, up to 5% scalded and gullied land. Subsoils have moderate salinity. Main soils: <u>rubbly calcareous clay loam on clay</u> - A5 , with <u>shallow calcareous loam</u> - A2 , <u>gradational loam on rock</u> - C2 and <u>shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - B2 .
KMB	1.0	Gently undulating pediments	A5D4	D	Gently sloping pediments formed on fine grained outwash sediments with slopes of 1-3%. Main soils: <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 and <u>loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 .
KOU	8.8	Plains	A6A5	D	Plains formed on fine grained outwash sediments with mostly calcareous clay loamy soils. Slopes are less than 1%. Main soils: <u>gradational calcareous clay loam</u> - A6 and <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 , with <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 and <u>deep (rubbly) calcareous sandy loam</u> - A4 .
KQI	0.7	Gently undulating pediments	A5	V	Complex of pediments formed on outwash sediments, and low basement rock stony rises with mostly calcareous gradational soils. KQI Gently undulating pediments with stony rises. Up to 50% of land on pediments is scalded and over 20% is gullied. Subsoils have moderate salinity (dry saline land). Rises have few or no scalds and gullies. Slopes are 1-3%, relief is less than 9m.
		Low stony rises	A2	C	
KQU	0.1	Plains	A5	V	KQU Plains with low stony rises. Up to 10% of pediment land is scalded, and around 5% is gullied. Rises are generally not gullied and scalding occurs on less than 5% of land. KQV Gently undulating pediments with low stony rises. Up to 10% of pediment land is scalded, and around 5% is gullied. Rises generally are not gullied and scalding occurs on less than 5% of land. Slopes are 1-3%. Main soils: <i>Pediments:</i> <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 , with <u>loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 . <i>Rises:</i> <u>shallow calcareous loam</u> - A2 , with <u>shallow calcareous loam on calcrete</u> - B2 and <u>rock outcrop</u> - RR .
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		Low stony rises	A2	C	
KXI	0.1	Rolling pediments	C1	D	Rolling pediments formed o sandy alluvium. Gullying is severe, affecting more than 20% of land. Slopes are 10-20%, relief is less than 9m. Main soils: <u>gradational sandy loam</u> - C1 , with <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 and <u>deep moderately calcareous sandy loam</u> - A3 .
KYC	0.4	Undulating pediments	A5	D	Undulating pediments formed on medium grained outwash sediments. Slopes are 3-10%. Main soils: <u>rubbly calcareous loam on clay</u> - A5 with <u>clay loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 .
XAA	0.1	Flood plain	M1M3D4	D	Floodplain with mixed alluvium. Main soils: <u>deep alluvial loam</u> - M1 , <u>deep gravelly sandy loam</u> - M3 and <u>loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 .
XKH	1.0	Alluvial plains	M1M3D4	D	Alluvial plains with scalded and eroded watercourses. Soils are mostly medium textured (silty). Scalding affects 5-10% and watercourses have unstable gullies. Main soils: <u>deep alluvial loam</u> - M1 , <u>deep gravelly sandy loam</u> - M3 and <u>loam over pedaric red clay</u> - D4 .

PROPORTION codes assigned to Soil Landscape Unit (SLU) components:

D Dominant in extent (>90% of SLU)

V Very extensive in extent (60–90% of SLU)

E Extensive in extent (30–60% of SLU)

C Common in extent (20–30% of SLU)

L Limited in extent (10–20% of SLU)

M Minor in extent (<10% of SLU)



Detailed soil profile descriptions:

- A2** Shallow calcareous loam (Paralithic, Hypercalcic / Lithocalcic Calcarosol)
Calcareous stony loam grading to soft or rubbly carbonate over weathering dolomite or calc-siltstone within 50 cm.
- A3** Deep moderately calcareous sandy loam to loam (Regolithic, Calcic Calcarosol)
Calcareous loam to sandy loam grading to a loamy to clayey subsoil without a significant carbonate accumulation in the subsoil, grading to medium to fine grained alluvium.
- A4** Deep (rubbly) calcareous loam (Regolithic, Hypercalcic / Lithocalcic Calcarosol)
Calcareous sandy loam to clay loam grading to a very highly calcareous sandy clay loam to light clay with variable rubble, continuing below 120 cm.
- A5** Rubbly calcareous loam on clay (Regolithic, Hypercalcic / Lithocalcic Calcarosol)
Calcareous sandy loam to clay loam grading to a very highly calcareous rubbly sandy clay loam to light clay, over a clayey substrate deeper than 60 cm, but within 120 cm.
- A6** Gradational calcareous clay loam (Pedal, Hypercalcic / Supracalcic Calcarosol)
Calcareous loam to clay loam grading to a well structured very highly calcareous (sometimes rubbly) clay, over a red clayey substrate within 120 cm.
- B2** Shallow calcareous loam on calcrete (Petrocalcic, Calcic / Lithocalcic Calcarosol)
Stony calcareous sandy loam to loam, often with a very highly calcareous more clayey subsoil, over sheet calcrete within 50 cm. This grades to rubbly carbonate over weathering basement rock within 150 cm.
- C1** Gradational sandy loam (Hypercalcic, Red Kandosol)
Friable sandy to loamy topsoil grading to massive red-brown alkaline loamy to clay loamy subsoil, highly calcareous with depth, over alluvium.
- C2** Gradational loam on rock (Calcic / Hypercalcic Red Dermosol)
Loam to clay loam grading to a friable red clay with soft Class I carbonate within 50 cm, grading to weathering rock within 100 cm.
- C3** Friable gradational clay loam (Calcic / Hypercalcic Red Dermosol)
Loam to clay loam grading to a friable red clay with abundant soft Class I carbonate within 50 cm, overlying alluvium within 100 cm.
- C4** Hard gradational clay loam (Sodic, Hypercalcic, Red Dermosol)
Hard setting loam to clay loam grading to a coarsely structured dispersive red clay, highly calcareous with depth, over clayey alluvium. Includes eroded former texture contrast soils.
- D1** Loam to clay loam over clay on rock (Hypercalcic / Calcic, Red Chromosol)
Medium thickness hard gravelly loam over a friable and finely structured red clay, calcareous with depth, grading to weathering basement rock within 100 cm.
- D2** Sandy loam to clay loam over red clay (Calcic / Hypercalcic, Red Chromosol)
Hard setting sandy loam to clay loam (with variable quartzite stones) abruptly overlying a well structured red clay with soft Class I carbonate at depth.
- D4** Loam to clay loam over crumbly (pedaric) red clay (Calcic, Pedaric, Red Sodosol)
Thin to medium thickness fine sandy loam to loam over a finely structured friable red clay, calcareous from about 50 cm, grading to fine or medium grained alluvium.
- D6** Ironstone gravelly loam over red clay (Ferric, Calcic, Red Chromosol)
Ironstone gravelly sandy loam to loam abruptly overlying a red weakly to moderately well structured clay grading to highly weathered alluvial sediments.
- D7** Loam over dispersive red clay on rock (Calcic / Hypercalcic, Red Sodosol)
Medium to thick hard sandy loam to clay loam sharply overlying a coarsely structured dispersive red clay, calcareous with depth, grading to highly weathered kaolinized siltstone or quartzite.



- E2** Red cracking clay (Epicalcareous, Epipedal, Red Vertisol)
Dark strongly structured clay grading to a well structured red calcareous medium to heavy clay continuing below 100 cm. Often containing gypsum segregations in subsoil.
- J1** Ironstone gravelly clay loam over brown clay (Ferric, Calcic, Brown Sodosol)
Ironstone gravelly clay loam to loam overlying a brown alkaline clayey subsoil, calcareous with depth, grading to highly weathered, kaolinized sediments or basement rocks.
- L1a** Shallow stony loam on fine grained rock (Paralithic, Leptic Tenosol)
Shallow stony loam, often calcareous with depth, overlying weathering fine grained rock shallower than 50 cm.
- L1b** Shallow stony sandy loam on medium grained rock (Paralithic, Leptic Tenosol)
Shallow stony sandy loam, often calcareous with depth, overlying weathering fine to medium grained sandstone or tillite shallower than 50 cm.
- L1c** Shallow stony loamy sand on coarse grained rock (Paralithic, Leptic Tenosol)
Shallow stony loam, often calcareous with depth, overlying weathering coarse grained sandstone shallower than 50 cm.
- L1d** Shallow stony sandy loam on quartzite (Paralithic, Leptic Tenosol)
Shallow stony loam, often calcareous with depth, overlying quartzite shallower than 50 cm.
- M1** Deep alluvial sandy loam (Calcareous, Regolithic, Brown-Orthic Tenosol)
Very thick brown loamy sand to sandy loam, usually calcareous with depth, continuing below 100 cm.
- M3** Stony alluvial soil (Basic, Fluvic, Clastic Rudosol OR Basic, Regolithic, Red-Orthic Tenosol)
Thick to very thick sandy loam with more than 50% quartzite stones overlying boulder beds.
- RR** Rock outcrop

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