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Executive Summary

Currently Council has detailed information for soils mapped on the Wairau Plain and the lower Awatere Valley. For the rest of Marlborough we have very little or more often no soils information available. For example, in the Rai/Pelorus catchment there is no available information on important soil parameters such as water holding capacity, drainage, soil depth and permeability. This kind of information is critical if we want to help landowners manage their soils for activities such as irrigation scheduling, effluent application, stock management etc. The aim of this study was therefore to describe and sample soils from representative sites in the Rai/Pelorus catchment and undertake a range of analysis for both topsoil and subsoils.

A series of soil auger observations were made across a range of sites in the Ronga, Tunakino, and Rai Valleys to identify soils which match the descriptions for the Ronga, Rai or Pelorus soil families previously mapped in this region. Seventeen soil profiles were described and soils analysed for a range of soil physical and chemical properties.

Three soil families were identified i.e. Rai, Ronga and Pelorus soils which occupied different parts of the landscape. The Rai family of soils occurred on the higher terraces and fan surfaces above the floodplain. The Ronga family of soils occurred on the lower valley floodplain surface, while the Pelorus family of soils occurred on the strongly undulating or hilly land in the transition zone between the steeply sloping valley sides and valley floor.

It was recognised that excavation and downcutting into the gravel aggradation surface and lower floodplain surface was not uniform and this has resulted in the formation of a series of degradation steps on these surfaces. More detailed soil mapping on these surfaces would likely separate out the most recent, recent and older Rai and Ronga soils presently all in included in their respective soil families. While more detailed mapping on the undulating or hilly land in the transition zone between the steeply sloping valley sides and valley floor would probably separate out the Pelorus Steepland soils which have been previously mapped on the steep slopes.

All three soils were well drained, moderately deep to deep, had a moderate to moderately rapid permeability and have high water storage capacities. If this kind of fundamental information can be tied to real time soil moisture monitoring, it will allow landowners to match soil conditions with the optimal amount of irrigation or effluent to apply to land.

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1. Introduction

Currently Council has detailed information for soils mapped on the Wairau Plain and the lower Awatere Valley. This information has been compiled by Landcare Research into soil fact sheets which summarise key properties (e.g. water holding capacity, soil depth) for a particular soil that can be used to help landowners better manage their soils. For the rest of Marlborough we only have very little or more often no soils information available. An example is the Rai/Pelorus catchment where there is no available information on important soil parameters such as water holding capacity, drainage, soil depth and permeability. This information is critical if we want to help landowners manage their soils for activities such as irrigation scheduling, effluent application, stock management etc. For example, you need to know how much capacity a soil has to assimilate effluent or irrigation and at what rate you can apply it safely without it ponding or running offsite.

2. Aim

The aim of this project is therefore to describe and sample soils from representative sites in the Rai/Pelorus catchment and undertake a range of analysis for both topsoil and subsoils. This information will be summarised into fact sheets and made available to landowners in the region.

3. Material and Methods

3.1. Site

A series of soil auger observations were made across a range of sites in the Ronga, Tunakino, and Rai Valleys to identify soils which match the descriptions for the Ronga, Rai or Pelorus soil families previously mapped in this region. When specific soils were identified a soil pit was dug to about 1 m depth and a detailed soil profile description was undertaken to confirm the soil type and to note any salient soil features that may affect soil management i.e. rooting depth, mottling, hardpans etc. In addition, details of the site were recorded such as slope, elevation, landform, parent material and soil drainage class.

3.2. Soil Sampling

From each pit bulk topsoil and subsoil samples were taken for chemical analysis. In addition duplicate undisturbed soil cores (100 mm diameter by 75 mm depth) were sampled. The soil cores were removed as one unit by excavation around the liner, bagged and loaded into padded crates for transport to the laboratory for analysis. These soil samples were used for soil physical analysis.

3.3. Soil Analyses

3.3.1. Chemical

Soil pH was measured in water using glass electrodes and a 2:1 water to soil ratio (Blackmore et al., 1987). Total carbon and nitrogen were determined by dry combustion of air-dry soil using a LECO 2000 CNS analyser (Blakemore et al., 1987). Olsen P was determined by extracting soils for 30 min with 0.5 M NaHCO₃ at pH 8.5 (Olsen, 1954) and measuring the phosphate concentration by the molybdenum blue method. Exchangeable cations i.e. Ca, Mg, K and Na were determined by extraction in ammonium acetate at pH 7 and analysed by ICP-OES. Anion storage capacity (Phosphate retention) was determined by equilibrium with 0.02 M potassium phosphate and analysis by ICP-OES. Anaerobically mineralisable nitrogen (AMN) was estimated by the anaerobic incubation method. The increase in NH₄-N concentration was measured after incubation for 7 days at 40 °C and extraction in 2 M KCI (Keeney and Bremner, 1966). Trace element concentrations in soils i.e. total recoverable copper, chromium, cadmium, arsenic, mercury, lead, nickel and zinc were determined by digesting soils in nitric/hydrochloric acid and analysing trace elements in the digest by inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (US EPA 200.2).

3.3.2. Physical

Dry bulk density was measured on soil samples extruded from cores and dried in an oven at 105°C until the weight remained constant and the sample was then weighed (Gradwell and Birrell, 1979). Particle density was measured by the pipette method. Soil water moisture content was determined at -5, -10, -100 and -1500 kPa tensions. This data was used to calculate Total Available Water (TAW). Total Available Water is the amount of water (in mm) that can be extracted between field capacity (-10kPa suction) and permanent wilting point (-1500 kPa). Total available water is effectively a measure of the amount of water storage there is in a soil. The capacity is affected by a range of soil properties including soil texture, structure, organic matter content, soil depth, profile layer and stone content.

4. Results and Discussion

4.1. General Setting

Throughout the South Island, glacial retreat in the Late Pleistocene resulted in extensive aggradation of gravels and the formation of a distinctive outwash terrace surface in most river valleys. These terrace deposits were later largely excavated during the warmer Post Glacial period to form the modern day floodplain system, with the outwash terrace commonly remaining at a slightly higher elevation as a discontinuous surface. While there was no accumulation of ice in the Marlborough Sounds region, valleys such as the Rai/Pelorus never-the-less display the same signal of Late Quaternary and Holocene climate change, with the formation of a distinctive Late Quaternary aggradational terrace (Dr Iain Campbell Pers. Comm.). Extensive fossil scree deposits in the Marlborough Sounds region (Campbell, 1996) indicate that the climate in the Late Last Glacial period was extremely cold with many bare ridges subject to frost action. These deposits, along with the subsequent deposition of the aggradational terrace gravels, indicate that in this region climate change from glacial to post-glacial conditions was extreme. Terrace remnants at slightly higher levels suggest that more than one cycle of climate change may be recorded.

4.2. Previous Soil Investigations

The valley floor soils of the Rai/Pelorus catchment were first identified during soil mapping of the region in the 1960's and published in 'Soils of South Island, New Zealand' (New Zealand Soil Bureau, 1968). This mapping however was undertaken at a small scale i.e. 1:250 000 and as stated in the published bulletin 'the survey does not give more than a general picture of the soil pattern'. The mapping identified the Ronga soil on the alluvial floodplain and low terrace land and the Rai soils on the higher terrace and fan surfaces above the floodplain. The Pelorus soil was mapped on the steepland areas in this catchment. A single soil profile description and basic soil chemistry from each profile is all there is available for each of these soils.

4.3. Soil Characteristics

In this investigation detailed soil profile descriptions were collected for the three soil families identified and previously mapped in the Rai/Pelorus catchment. This included 7 Ronga soils, 7 Rai soils and 3 Pelorus soils (Appendix A). From each profile basic soil chemistry, trace elements and soil physical data was also collected from both topsoil and subsoils (Appendix B).

4.3.1. Rai Soil

The Rai family of soils occur on the higher terraces and fan surfaces above the floodplain. However, the excavation and downcutting that occurred into the aggradation terrace surface was not uniform and it has resulted in a series of degradational steps in places (Figure 1). The Rai family therefore includes a range of soils that are related to steps in the river and stream downcutting process and vary in age and therefore the degree of weathering. Detailed mapping of this surface would probably separate Rai soils that occur on the different terraces and which have presently all been included in the Rai family.



Figure 1 The stepped degradation terrace with Rai family of soils occurring on both the higher terrace surface in the background and an intermediate terrace in the mid ground, with Ronga family soils occurring on the lower valley floodplain surface in the foreground.

The Rai soils are derived from gravelly greywacke/argillite alluvium. They are classified as a Brown soil in the New Zealand Soil Classification system (Hewitt, 2010). Although there was some variation in soil profile morphology, which reflected which terrace surface soils were sampled, generally there was a high degree of consistency. Typically topsoil profiles were dark yellowish brown, had a moderately developed fine polyhedral structure, a weak soil strength and were friable to very friable. Subsoils were typically yellowish brown, had a moderately developed fine polyhedral structure, a weak soil strength and were very friable.

Some average soil physical and chemical properties for the 7 Rai family soils sampled are given in Table 1. Typically the Rai soils are well drained, moderated deep to deep soils with a moderately rapid permeability. Topsoil textures are typically silt loams and very slightly stony that overly coarse stones at depth.

Total available water was calculated for both the 0-30cm and 0-60 cm soil depths. The 0-30 cm soil depth is particularly useful for soils where effluent is applied where the aim is to retain effluent within the root zone, while the deeper 0-60cm soil depth is useful for scheduling irrigation. For both soil depths storage capacity was classified as high.

Topsoil phosphate retention for the Rai soil was classed as high. Phosphate retention is a measure of the ability of the soil to remove phosphorus from solution, holding onto it firmly, tending to make it unavailable to plants. High P-retention values indicate that plants will give a lower response to the same amount of phosphate fertiliser than those plants on a soil with low P-retention.

Average topsoil cadmium concentrations were approximately double typical background concentrations found in soils (Roberts et al. 1984). The source of cadmium is most likely phosphate fertiliser which has been shown to contain cadmium as an incidental impurity. One Rai soil had a cadmium concentration above the suggested 0.6 mg kg⁻¹ trigger value outlined in the national strategy for managing risks caused by cadmium in agricultural soils (MAF, 2010).

| Overview | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Family: | Rai |
| Soil Classification: | Brown |
| Parent material origin: | Gravelly greywacke/argillite alluvium |
| Average Physical properties | |
| Texture: | Silty - silty/skeletal |
| Potential rooting depth: | 70 - 110cm |
| Soil depth: | Moderately deep to deep |
| Drainage class: | Well drained |
| Permeability: | Moderately rapid |
| Topsoil stones: | Very slightly stony |
| Top 30cm available water: (0-30cm) | 73 mm (65 - 80mm) |
| Top 60cm available water: (0-60cm) | 115mm (105 - 130mm) |
| Topsoil bulk density: | 0.92 g/cm3 |
| Subsoil bulk density: | 1.03 g/cm3 |
| Chemical properties | |
| Topsoil organic matter: | 10.4 - 12.5% |
| Topsoil P retention: | High (71%) |
| Topsoil cadmium: | 0.50 (mg/kg) |

4.3.2. Ronga Soil

The Ronga family of soils occur on the lower valley floodplain surface, although like the Rai soil, excavation and downcutting into the more recent river surface has resulted in a stepwise progression of steps and an undulating surface (Figure 2). Detailed soil mapping would probably separate the most recent, recent and older recent Ronga soils within this surface, which have presently all been included in the Ronga family.



Figure 2 The undulating characteristics of the lower valley floodplain surface on which the Ronga family of soils occur.

The Ronga soils are derived from fine textured greywacke/argillite alluvium. They are classified as a Recent soil in the New Zealand Soil Classification system (Hewitt, 2010). There was variation in soil profile morphology which reflected where on the undulating surface soils were sampled. But in general soil profiles had brown to yellowish brown topsoils, had a weakly developed fine polyhedral structure, a weak soil strength, although a couple of sites were slightly firm, and soils were friable. Subsoils ranged from light olive brown to yellowish brown, had weakly or moderately developed fine polyhedral or fine block structure at a couple of sites, a weak soil strength and were very friable.

Some average soil physical and chemical properties for the 7 Ronga family soils are given in Table 2. Typically the Ronga soils are well drained, deep soils with a moderate to moderately rapid permeability. Topsoil textures are typically stoneless, silt loams which overly sandy textures. Like for the Rai soil, total available water for both the 0-30cm and 0-60 cm soil depth was classified as high.

Average topsoil phosphate retention for the Ronga topsoil was classed as medium. Like for the Rai soil average topsoil cadmium concentrations were approximately double typical background concentrations found in soils. Two Ronga soils had cadmium concentrations above the suggested 0.6 mg kg⁻¹ trigger value outlined in the national strategy for managing risks caused by cadmium in agricultural soils (MAF, 2010).

Table 2 Average soil properties for the Ronga family of soils

| Overview | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Family: | Ronga |
| Soil Classification: | Recent Fluvial |
| Parent material origin: | Fine textured greywacke/argillite alluvium |
| Average Physical properties | |
| Texture: | Silty - clayey |
| Potential rooting depth: | 75 - 100cm |
| Soil depth: | Deep |
| Drainage class: | Well drained |
| Permeability: | Moderate to moderately rapid |
| Topsoil stones: | Stoneless |
| Top 30cm available water: (0-30cm) | 84mm (67 - 101mm) |
| Top 60cm available water: (0-60cm) | 133mm (123 - 146mm) |
| Topsoil bulk density: | 1.17 g/cm ³ |
| Subsoil bulk density: | 1.34 g/cm ³ |
| Chemical properties | |
| Topsoil organic matter: | 5.4 - 7.6% |
| Topsoil P retention: | Medium (45%) |
| Topsoil cadmium: | 0.51 (mg/kg) |
| | |

4.3.3. Pelorus Soil

The transition from the steeply sloping valley sides to the valley floors in the Rai/Pelrous river valleys is in many places not abrupt and is sometimes marked by a zone of strongly undulating or hilly land. The Pelorus family of soils occurred in this zone. In places, these landscapes appear to represent large-scale debris with the dissected nature of the terrain suggesting deposition at some earlier time. It is possible that some of these deposits may have been triggered by tectonic activity (Dr lain Campbell Pers. Comm.). The soils that were examined on these deposits are well weathered and at present are included in the Pelorus family although detailed mapping would probably separate these soils from Pelorus Steepland soils which have been previously mapped on the steep slopes.



Figure 3 The strongly undulating/hilly characteristics of the valley sides on which the Pelorus family of soils occur.

The Pelorus soils are derived from well weathered greywacke and argillite slope/colluvium deposits. They are classified as Brown soils in the New Zealand Soil Classification system (Hewitt, 2010). There was variation in soil profile morphology which reflected where on the surface soils were sampled. But in general soil profiles had dark yellowish brown topsoils, had variable structure ranging from moderately to strongly developed fine to medium polyhedral structure, a weak soil strength and soils were friable. Subsoils were yellowish brown to dark yellowish brown, had moderately to strongly developed fine polyhedral or medium block structure, a weak to very weak soil strength and were very friable.

Some average soil physical and chemical properties for the 3 Pelorus family soils are given in Table 3. Typically the Pelorus soils are well drained, moderated deep to deep soils with a moderately rapid permeability. Topsoil textures are typically silt loams, very slightly stony which overly coarse stones at depth. Total available water for both the 0-30cm and 0-60 cm soil depth was again classified as high for both soil depths.

Average topsoil phosphate retention for the Pelorus topsoil was classified as high. Like for the Rai and Ronga soils average topsoil cadmium concentrations were approximately double typical background concentrations found in soils, although no soils had a cadmium concentration above the suggested 0.6 mg kg⁻¹ trigger value outlined in the national strategy for managing risks caused by cadmium in agricultural soils.

Table 3 Average soil properties for the Pelorus family of soils

| Overview | |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Family: | Pelorus |
| Soil Classification: | Brown |
| Parent material origin: | Greywacke and argillite slope/colluvium deposits |
| Average Physical properties | |
| Texture: | Silty - silty/skeletal |
| Potential rooting depth: | 75 - 100cm |
| Soil depth: | Moderately deep to deep |
| Drainage class: | Well drained |
| Permeability: | Moderate to moderately rapid |
| Topsoil stones: | Very slightly stony |
| Top 30cm available water: (0-30cm) | 76mm (73 - 79mm) |
| Top 60cm available water: (0-60cm) | 111mm (107 - 115mm) |
| Topsoil bulk density: | 0.97 g/cm3 |
| Subsoil bulk density: | 1.09 g/cm3 |
| Chemical properties | |
| Topsoil organic matter: | 10.3 - 13.6% |
| Topsoil P retention: | High (65%) |
| Topsoil cadmium: | 0.47 (mg/kg) |
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5. Future work

- Install soil moisture monitoring probes in the Rai and Ronga soils. Data from these soil moisture probes could be available live on the Council website and used to advise landowners on when soil conditions are suitable for dairy effluent and irrigation water application.
- Undertake detailed soil mapping in the Rai/Pelorus catchment which would separate out the soils within the Rai, Ronga and Pelorus families.
- Undertake detailed soil mapping and collect soil information in other regions of Marlborough which are intensively farmed e.g. Tuamarina, Linkwater, Wairau Valley.

6. Summary

- Three soil families were identified in the Rai/Pelorus catchment i.e. Rai, Ronga and Pelorus.
- The Rai family of soils occurs on the higher terraces and fan surfaces above the floodplain. The Ronga family of soils occur on the lower valley floodplain surface, while the Pelorus family of soils occurred on the strongly undulating or hilly land in the transition zone between the steeply sloping valley sides and valley floor.
- It was recognised that excavation and downcutting into the gravel aggradation surface and lower floodplain surface was not uniform and this has resulted in the formation of a series of degradation steps on these surfaces. More detailed soil mapping on these surfaces would likely separate out the most recent, recent and older Rai and Ronga soils presently all in included in their respective soil families. While more detailed mapping on the undulating or hilly land in the transition zone between the steeply sloping valley sides and valley floor would probably separate out the Pelorus Steepland soils which have been previously mapped on the steep slopes.
- All three soils were well drained, moderately deep to deep, moderate to moderately rapid permeability and have high water storage capacities.

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Appendix A

Soil Profile Descriptions and Site Conditions

Sample Name: Site 1 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1648579 5428144 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 44m Slope: 0° Soil material: loamy/stony old terrace alluvium from greywacke, argillite Soil drainage: Well

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Bw1

Bw2

BC

Horizon Depth

0-17cm dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; 5% medium to coarse partly stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; many fine roots

Description

- 17-35cm yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) silt loam; 5% medium to coarse unweathered and partly weathered stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; many fine roots
 - 35-65cm yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) sandy silt loam; 15% wedium to very coarse unweathered and partly weathered stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral and weak blocky structure; weak soil strength; friable; few fine roots
- 65-80cm+ yellowish brown to brownish yellow (10YR 5/8-6/8) sandy loam; 30% medium to very coarse unweathered and partly weathered stones; earthy; slightly firm; few fine roots

Sample name: Site 2 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1648588 5427986 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 40m Slope: 0° Soil material: loamy/stony old terrace alluvium from greywacke, argillite Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| | | |
| A | 0-17cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; 2% medium to coarse stones; moderately to strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| Bw1 | 17-35cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) sandy silt loam; 5% medium to coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; common fine roots |
| Bw2 | 35-65cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) sandy silt loam; 10% fine to coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few roots |
| BC | 65-80cm+ | yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) sandy loam; 15% fine to very coarse stones; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; few roots |

Sample name: Site 3 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1648504 5427970 Land use: Conservation reserve Topography: Terrace Elevation: 50m Slope: 0° Soil material: loamy/stony old terrace alluvium from greywacke, argillite Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|---|
| 0 | 2-0cm | dark reddish brown (5YR 3/2) peaty loam; apedal; structureless; very friable |
| A | 0-20cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) silt loam; 2% fine and medium stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable abundant fine and coarse roots |
| Bw1 | 20-45cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) silt loam; 5% fine to coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; many fine and coarse roots |
| Bw2 | 45-70cm+ | yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) silt loam; 5% fine to coarse stones; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 4 Soil Name: Ronga GPS: 1648858 5427995 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 25m Slope: 0° Soil material: fine textured recent alluvium from greywacke, argillite etc Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|---------|---|
| A | 0-11cm | brown to dark brown (10YR 4/3) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| (B) | 11-45cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; many fine roots |
| C1 | 45-60cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) silt loam; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| C2 | 60-90cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) fine sandy loam; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; very friable; very few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 5 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1652356 5428592 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 5m Slope: 0° Soil material: fine textured recent alluvium from greywacke, argillite etc Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|---------|--|
| A | 0-2cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| A | 2-20cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| (B) | 20-42cm | dark yellowish brown to light olive brown (10YR 4/6-2.5Y 5/6) silt loam; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; common fine roots |
| b (B) | 52-90cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) clay loam; 1% fine strong brown (7.5YR 5/8) and light yellowish brown (2.5Y 6/4) fine distinct mottles; moderately to strongly developed fine and medium polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; brittle; very few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 6 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1649896 5436623 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 54m Slope: 0° Soil material: partly weathered aggradational terrace alluvium Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|---|
| A | 0-15cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; 2% medium stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| AB | 15-24cm | dark yellowish brown and yellowish brown (10YR 4/4 + 10YR 5/8) silt loam; 2% medium stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable |
| Bw1 | 24-40cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) silt loam; 5% medium to coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral and medium blocky structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| Bw2 | 40-58cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) silt loam; 15% medium to coarse stones; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| BC | 40-70cm+ | yellowish brown to light olive brown (10YR 5/6-2.5Y 5/6) sandy loam; 30% medium to coarse stones; apedal; single grain; loose; few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 7 Soil Name: Ronga GPS: 1649441 5435706 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 36m Slope: 0° Soil material: fine textured recent alluvium Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| A | 0-5cm | yellowish brown to dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/4- 3/4) clay loam; apedal; earthy; slightly firm; many fine roots |
| A | 5-19cm | yellowish brown to dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/4- 3/4) clay loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; slightly firm soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| AB | 19-29cm | yellowish brown and dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/4 +10YR 4/6) clay loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; slightly firm; soil strength; friable; common fine roots |
| (B) | 29-44cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) clay loam; weakly developed fine blocky structure; slightly firm soil strength; friable; few fine roots |
| C1 | 44-80cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) sandy clay loam; weakly developed fine blocky structure; slightly firm soil strength; few fine roots |
| C2 | 80-95cm+ | light olive brown to olive brown (2.5Y 5/4-4/4) sand; apedal; single grain; very few fine root |
| | | |

Sample name: Site 8 Soil Name: Pelorus GPS: 1650856 5436154 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 84m Slope: 10° Soil material: partly weathered slope detritus from argillite/greywacke Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| A | 0-10cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; 5% fine to very coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral and fine blocky structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| AB | 10-14cm | yellowish brown and dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/8 + 10YR 4/4) silt loam; 5% fine to very coarse stones; moderately to strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; common fine roots |
| Bw1 | 14-60cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) silt loam; 15% fine to very coarse stones; moderately developed medium blocky and fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| Bw2 | 60-75cm+ | yellowish brown (10YR 5/80 silt loam; 20% fine to very coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 9 Soil Name: Ronga GPS: 1655554 5437424 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 64m Slope: 0° Soil material: recent alluvium Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
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| | | |
| A | 0-10cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; 2% medium stones; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| AB | 10-20cm | dark yellowish brown and light olive brown (10YR 4/6 + 2.5Y 5/6) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| (B) | 20-52cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 6/2) silt loam; 5% medium to coarse stones; weakly developed fine blocky and polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; brittle; common fine roots |
| C1 | 52-68cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) sandy loam; 10% medium to coarse stones; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| C2 | 68-75cm+ | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) sand; 20% medium to very coarse stones; apedal; single grain; loose; very few roots |

Sample name: Site 10 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1654393 5437567 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 73m Slope: 2° Soil material: partly weathered older alluvium Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|-----------|---|
| A | 0-5cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) clay loam; 2% reddish brown (2.5YR 4/4) fine distinct mottles; weakly developed medium blocky structure; |
| A | 5-28cm | slightly firm soil strength; brittle; many fine roots dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) clay loam; 2% medium stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| Bw1 | 28-57cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) silt loam; 10% fine to medium stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; many fine roots |
| Bw2 | 57-80cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; 15% fine to coarse stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| Bw3 | 80-110cm+ | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) silt loam; 15% fine to medium stones; weakly developed medium blocky structure; slightly firm; friable; few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 11 Soil Name: Pelorus GPS: 1654548 5437918 Land use: Dairy Topography: Hill Elevation: 105m Slope: 14° Soil material: weathered slope detritus Soil drainage: well



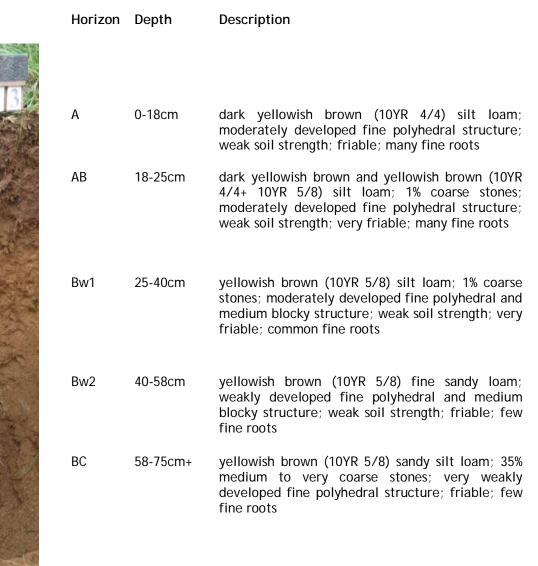
| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|---|
| | | |
| A | 0-14cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) heavy silt loam; 2% medium to coarse stones; moderately developed medium polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
| AB | 14-19cm | dark yellowish brown and yellowish brown (10YR 4/6 +10YR 5/8) heavy silt loam; 5% medium to coarse stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; many fine roots |
| Bw1 | 19-38cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) heavy silt loam; 5% medium to coarse stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; common fine roots |
| Bw2 | 38-58cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/8) heavy silt loam; 10% medium to very coarse stones; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; friable; few fine roots |
| Bw3 | 58-100cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) clay loam; 15% medium to very coarse stones; 5% light olive brown (2.5Y 6/4) and 5% red (2.5YR 4/8) medium distinct mottles associated with weathering clasts; moderately developed medium polyhedral and blocky structure; slightly firm soil strength; friable; very few roots |

Sample name: Site 12 Soil Name: Ronga GPS: 1654088 5437477 Land use: Dairy Topography: Hill Elevation: 61m Slope: 0° Soil material: recent alluvium Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| | | |
| A | 0-4cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/4) heavy silt loam; 1% fine to medium stones; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; many fine roots; |
| A | 4-12cm | yellowish brown (10YR 5/4) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; common fine roots |
| (B) | 12-30cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; very few fine roots |
| C1 | 30-55cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) fine sandy loam; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; few fine roots |
| C2 | 55-65cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) sand; 20% fine stones; apedal; single grain; loose |
| C3 | 65-100cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) loamy sand; apedal; earthy; loose |

Sample name: Site 13 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1653122 5428825 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 16m Slope: 0° Soil material: weathered terrace alluvium Soil drainage: well





Sample name: Site 14 Soil Name: Ronga GPS: 1653102 5428990 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 12m Slope: 0° Soil material: silty alluvium Soil drainage: well



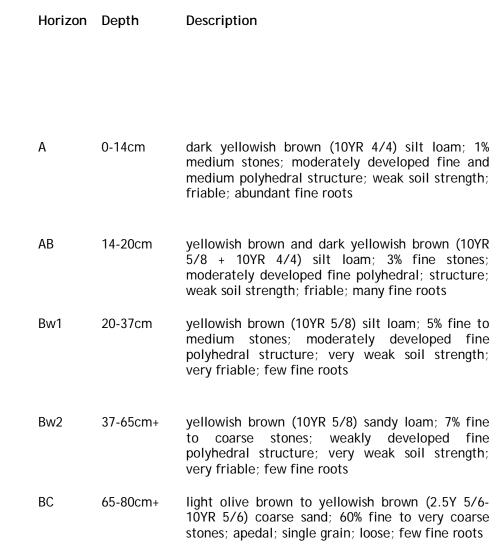
| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|--|
| A | 0-3cm | brown to dark brown (10YR 4/3) silt loam; apedal; earthy; weak soil strength; slightly firm; common fine roots |
| A | 3-12cm | brown to dark brown (10YR 4/3) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; many fine and few medium roots |
| AC | 12-28cm | brown to dark brown (10YR 4/3) and yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) silt loam; weakly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| C1 | 28-62cm | dark yellowish brown to dark brown (10YR 4/6- 5/6) silt loam; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| C2 | 62-90cm+ | dark yellowish brown to dark brown (10YR 4/6- 5/6) sandy loam; few faint mottles; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; very friable; |

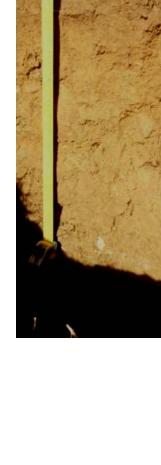
Sample name: Site 15 Soil Name: Pelorus GPS: 1653715 5428717 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 25m Slope: 6° Soil material: weathered detritus over weathering argillite Soil drainage: well



| Horizon | Depth | Description |
|---------|----------|---|
| A | 0-12cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/6) heavy silt loam; strongly developed fine and medium polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; friable; abundant fine roots |
| AB | 12-17cm | dark yellowish brown and yellowish brown (10YR 4/6 + 10YR 5/8) heavy silt loam; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; many fine roots |
| Bw1 | 17-40cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 5/8-6/8) clay loam; 2% partly weathered medium stones; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; common fine roots |
| BC | 40-75cm+ | brownish yellow (10YR 6/8) clay loam; 80% coarse to very coarse weathered stony bedrock; apedal; earthy; very firm; few fine roots |

Sample name: Site 16 Soil Name: Rai GPS: 1650192 5437119 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 51m Slope: 6° Soil material: partly weathered gravelly alluvium Soil drainage: well





Sample name: Site 17 Soil Name: Ronga GPS: 1649837 5437285 Land use: Dairy Topography: Terrace Elevation: 47m Slope: 0° Soil material: weakly weathered fine textured alluvium Soil drainage: well

Horizon Depth



| A | 0-22cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) heavy silt loam; moderately developed fine polyhedral structure; slightly firm soil strength; friable; many fine roots |
|-----|---------|---|
| AB | 22-35cm | dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) and light olive brown to yellowish brown (2.5Y 5/6-10YR 5/6) heavy silt loam; strongly developed fine polyhedral structure; weak soil strength; very friable; common fine roots |
| (B) | 35-50cm | light olive brown to yellowish brown (2.5Y 5/6- 10YR 5/6) heavy silt loam; moderately developed fine polyhedral and blocky structure; very weak soil strength; very friable; few fine roots |
| С | 50-90cm | light olive brown (2.5Y 5/6) silt loam; apedal; earthy; very weak soil strength; brittle; few fine roots |

Description

Appendix B

Soil Chemical, Trace Element and Physical Results

Soil Chemical Properties

| Site | Soil | Soil Hor | Soil Depth | рН | Olsen P | P Ret | AMN | OM | Total C | Total N | К | Са | Mg | Na | BS | CEC |
|--------|---------|----------|------------|-----|---------|-------|------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|-----|---------|
| | | | | | mg/L | % | µg∕g | % | % | % | me/100g | me/100g | me/100g | me/100g | % | me/100g |
| Site 1 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6.0 | 25 | 77 | 242 | 11.7 | 6.8 | 0.62 | 1.43 | 12.1 | 1.58 | 0.08 | 53 | 29 |
| | | Bw2 | 40 - 50 cm | 5.3 | 7 | 92 | 48 | 5.5 | 3.2 | 0.29 | 0.91 | 0.9 | 0.15 | < 0.05 | 10 | 21 |
| Site 2 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6.3 | 30 | 71 | 200 | 10.4 | 6 | 0.54 | 0.24 | 16.3 | 0.35 | 0.06 | 58 | 29 |
| | | BW2 | 30 - 40 cm | 5.7 | 3 | 94 | 26 | 4.3 | 2.5 | 0.2 | 0.06 | 1.1 | 0.1 | < 0.05 | 8 | 16 |
| Site 3 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.4 | 5 | 81 | 122 | 10.4 | 6 | 0.53 | 0.6 | 6.7 | 2.2 | 0.1 | 34 | 28 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 5.3 | 4 | 94 | 35 | 6.2 | 3.6 | 0.33 | 0.11 | < 0.5 | 0.24 | 0.08 | < 5 | 18 |
| Site 4 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.9 | 49 | 47 | 145 | 6.1 | 3.6 | 0.39 | 0.16 | 13.4 | 1.97 | 0.07 | 61 | 25 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 5.6 | 3 | 69 | 12 | 1 | 0.6 | 0.08 | 0.07 | 4.5 | 1.88 | 0.07 | 38 | 17 |
| Site 5 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6.1 | 25 | 48 | 179 | 6.5 | 3.8 | 0.45 | 0.27 | 12.9 | 2.08 | 0.08 | 64 | 24 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 5.7 | 5 | 56 | 62 | 2.8 | 1.6 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 6.4 | 1.8 | 0.07 | 45 | 19 |
| Site 6 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.9 | 38 | 69 | 222 | 12.5 | 7.3 | 0.69 | 0.26 | 14.2 | 1.55 | 0.05 | 54 | 30 |
| | | Bw1 | 30 - 40 cm | 5.4 | 11 | 92 | 45 | 5.2 | 3 | 0.28 | 0.09 | 1.3 | 0.22 | < 0.05 | 8 | 22 |
| Site 7 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.9 | 53 | 47 | 150 | 5.4 | 3.1 | 0.37 | 0.34 | 16.2 | 1.14 | 0.24 | 66 | 27 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 6 | 8 | 45 | 33 | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.11 | 0.13 | 9.9 | 0.65 | 0.08 | 54 | 20 |
| Site 8 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.6 | 37 | 70 | 258 | 13.6 | 7.9 | 0.72 | 0.43 | 14.7 | 0.83 | 0.12 | 46 | 35 |
| | | BW1 | 25- 35 cm | 5.6 | 5 | 89 | 33 | 5.3 | 3.1 | 0.27 | 0.13 | 2.9 | 0.2 | 0.06 | 17 | 20 |
| Site 9 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.9 | 14 | 48 | 137 | 5.9 | 3.4 | 0.38 | 0.2 | 14.6 | 0.86 | 0.07 | 62 | 26 |

| | | В | 25- 35 cm | 5.6 | 3 | 52 | 36 | 1.7 | 1 | 0.13 | 0.09 | 7.6 | 0.29 | < 0.05 | 44 | 18 |
|---------|---------|-----|------------|-----|----|----|-----|------|-----|------|------|------|------|--------|----|----|
| Site 10 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.6 | 28 | 68 | 197 | 11.3 | 6.6 | 0.64 | 0.64 | 10.7 | 1.51 | 0.09 | 45 | 29 |
| | | BW1 | 35 - 45 cm | 5.9 | 5 | 81 | 35 | 4.1 | 2.4 | 0.22 | 0.1 | 2.2 | 0.21 | 0.08 | 16 | 16 |
| Site 11 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.8 | 21 | 68 | 210 | 10.7 | 6.2 | 0.56 | 0.29 | 14.7 | 1.1 | 0.06 | 54 | 30 |
| | | | NONE | 5.9 | 5 | 90 | 26 | 5.6 | 3.2 | 0.24 | 0.12 | 5.5 | 0.39 | 0.07 | 30 | 21 |
| Site 12 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.9 | 14 | 42 | 185 | 6.2 | 3.6 | 0.43 | 0.73 | 12.1 | 1.47 | 0.1 | 62 | 23 |
| | | | 30 - 40 cm | 5.8 | 5 | 45 | 34 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.11 | 0.1 | 6.2 | 0.86 | 0.13 | 47 | 16 |
| Site 13 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 5.5 | 36 | 74 | 206 | 12.4 | 7.2 | 0.64 | 2.24 | 9.4 | 1.24 | 0.12 | 39 | 34 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 5.1 | 6 | 96 | 43 | 5.7 | 3.3 | 0.27 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.07 | 7 | 23 |
| Site 14 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6.4 | 15 | 37 | 222 | 6.8 | 4 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 15.6 | 4.29 | 0.15 | 77 | 26 |
| | | C1 | 30 - 40 cm | 6.8 | 2 | 49 | 50 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 0.11 | 8.8 | 7.25 | 0.1 | 77 | 21 |
| Site 15 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6 | 47 | 58 | 281 | 10.3 | 6 | 0.59 | 0.58 | 14.9 | 2 | 0.13 | 58 | 30 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 5.5 | 8 | 79 | 84 | 3.6 | 2.1 | 0.22 | 0.28 | 3.8 | 0.68 | 0.09 | 23 | 21 |
| Site 16 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6.3 | 37 | 64 | 213 | 12.3 | 7.1 | 0.7 | 1.62 | 18.5 | 2.05 | 0.1 | 66 | 34 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 5.4 | 5 | 93 | 43 | 6.1 | 3.6 | 0.28 | 0.73 | 1.5 | 0.24 | < 0.05 | 12 | 21 |
| Site 17 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 6.1 | 33 | 52 | 234 | 7.6 | 4.4 | 0.51 | 0.29 | 16.7 | 1.29 | 0.07 | 67 | 27 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 6.1 | 5 | 63 | 55 | 2.7 | 1.6 | 0.18 | 0.11 | 8.9 | 0.41 | 0.06 | 50 | 19 |

Soil Trace Element Concentrations

| Site | Soil | Soil Hori | Soil Depth | Zn | Cu | Cr | As | Pb | Ni | Hg | Cd |
|--------|---------|-----------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | | | mg/kg |
| Site 1 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 51 | 14 | 76.4 | 5.1 | 12.33 | 32.9 | 0.15 | 0.41 |
| | | Bw2 | 40 - 50 cm | 65 | 31 | 94.4 | 4.9 | 15.92 | 49.7 | 0.21 | 0.09 |
| Site 2 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 48 | 13 | 119 | 4.2 | 10.59 | 37.6 | 0.1 | 0.4 |
| | | BW2 | 30 - 40 cm | 69 | 25 | 118.3 | 3.9 | 14.02 | 73.1 | 0.15 | 0.07 |
| Site 3 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 82 | 15 | 93.5 | 3.6 | 11.46 | 43.7 | 0.2 | 0.06 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 82 | 21 | 109.3 | 4.1 | 12.87 | 62 | 0.21 | 0.05 |
| Site 4 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 57 | 21 | 185.6 | 4.1 | 9.58 | 120.7 | 0.07 | 0.25 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 62 | 22 | 204 | 3.4 | 10.84 | 118.5 | 0.06 | 0.06 |
| Site 5 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 63 | 26 | 190.9 | 4.9 | 11.21 | 134.3 | 0.08 | 0.36 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 68 | 27 | 197.8 | 3.7 | 10.33 | 143 | 0.13 | 0.11 |
| Site 6 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 125 | 38 | 47 | 5.2 | 121.4 | 19.3 | 0.35 | 0.37 |
| | | Bw1 | 30 - 40 cm | 86 | 18 | 62 | 5.4 | 18.17 | 27.4 | 0.22 | 0.1 |
| Site 7 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 74 | 25 | 74.7 | 4.8 | 12.97 | 44.5 | 0.11 | 0.82 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 66 | 20 | 72.3 | 3.8 | 13.05 | 44.7 | 0.08 | 0.1 |
| Site 8 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 59 | 44 | 46.8 | 6.1 | 11.77 | 20.2 | 0.12 | 0.57 |
| | | BW1 | 25- 35 cm | 72 | 24 | 54.1 | 6.1 | 14.17 | 22.2 | 0.17 | 0.13 |
| Site 9 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 59 | 14 | 46 | 4.4 | 13.19 | 25.3 | 0.05 | 0.44 |

| | | В | 25- 35 cm | 55 | 15 | 43.6 | 3.6 | 13.26 | 24.9 | 0.06 | 0.09 |
|---------|---------|-----|------------|-----|----|-------|-----|-------|-------|------|------|
| Site 10 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 69 | 20 | 62.8 | 6.3 | 12.12 | 26.3 | 0.1 | 0.53 |
| | | BW1 | 35 - 45 cm | 79 | 29 | 106.2 | 6.7 | 14.27 | 60.9 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Site 11 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 58 | 18 | 26.5 | 5.8 | 13.82 | 12 | 0.12 | 0.53 |
| | | | NONE | 72 | 27 | 38.4 | 6.3 | 20.8 | 19.7 | 0.17 | 0.07 |
| Site 12 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 66 | 15 | 40.9 | 3.9 | 13.9 | 21.7 | 0.05 | 0.46 |
| | | | 30 - 40 cm | 62 | 17 | 42.6 | 3.4 | 13.58 | 23.7 | 0.05 | 0.13 |
| Site 13 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 45 | 13 | 113.4 | 4.1 | 11.17 | 52.9 | 0.11 | 0.28 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 56 | 14 | 147.9 | 3.7 | 12.63 | 63 | 0.19 | 0.07 |
| Site 14 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 60 | 30 | 229 | 4.2 | 9.56 | 179.4 | 0.07 | 0.24 |
| | | C1 | 30 - 40 cm | 59 | 29 | 212 | 3.4 | 9.39 | 174.3 | 0.08 | 0.09 |
| Site 15 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 48 | 11 | 29.3 | 4.8 | 12 | 13.7 | 0.09 | 0.31 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 58 | 12 | 30.2 | 4.7 | 15.91 | 13.9 | 0.11 | 0.06 |
| Site 16 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 65 | 14 | 41.9 | 3.9 | 11.81 | 14.8 | 0.1 | 0.98 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 55 | 11 | 52.4 | 3.4 | 12.76 | 19.3 | 0.18 | 0.1 |
| Site 17 | Ron | A | 0 - 10 cm | 103 | 19 | 55.6 | 4 | 12.83 | 30.4 | 0.07 | 1.01 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 77 | 18 | 63.1 | 3.6 | 13.91 | 32.9 | 0.09 | 0.1 |

Soil Physical Properties

| Site | Soil | Soil Hori | Soil Depth | Bulk density | Particle density | Total porosity | Macro- porosity | Air filled porosity | -5kPa | -10kPa | -100kPa | -1500kP | Total available water | Readily available water |
|--------|---------|-----------|------------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| | | | | (t/m3) | (t/m3) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) | (%, v/v) |
| Site 1 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.88 | 2.52 | 65.25 | 9.90 | 12.10 | 55.30 | 53.15 | 45.00 | 26.80 | 26.35 | 8.15 |
| | | Bw2 | 40 - 50 cm | 1.01 | 2.68 | 62.45 | 16.70 | 19.75 | 45.75 | 42.70 | 35.70 | 28.80 | 13.90 | 7.00 |
| Site 2 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.96 | 2.56 | 62.45 | 4.85 | 7.30 | 57.60 | 55.15 | 45.95 | 28.60 | 26.55 | 9.20 |
| | | BW2 | 30 - 40 cm | 1.07 | 2.72 | 60.45 | 15.05 | 17.90 | 45.40 | 42.55 | 36.70 | 30.10 | 12.45 | 5.85 |
| Site 3 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.76 | 2.62 | 71.10 | 17.70 | 20.30 | 53.40 | 50.80 | 42.20 | 28.25 | 22.55 | 8.60 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 1.02 | 2.69 | 61.90 | 13.40 | 15.65 | 48.55 | 46.25 | 40.95 | 32.15 | 14.10 | 5.30 |
| Site 4 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 1.10 | 2.68 | 59.10 | 4.85 | 6.95 | 54.25 | 52.15 | 44.10 | 21.70 | 30.45 | 8.05 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 1.45 | 2.78 | 47.75 | 4.70 | 5.85 | 43.05 | 41.90 | 37.95 | 28.85 | 13.05 | 3.95 |
| Site 5 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 1.18 | 2.70 | 56.25 | 3.90 | 5.90 | 52.35 | 50.35 | 43.20 | 23.45 | 26.90 | 7.15 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 1.23 | 2.77 | 55.55 | 13.15 | 15.10 | 42.40 | 40.45 | 33.65 | 23.10 | 17.35 | 6.80 |
| Site 6 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.95 | 2.54 | 62.35 | 8.45 | 10.40 | 53.90 | 51.95 | 44.95 | 30.35 | 21.60 | 7.00 |
| | | Bw1 | 30 - 40 cm | 1.03 | 2.69 | 61.75 | 11.60 | 13.85 | 50.15 | 47.90 | 41.75 | 33.60 | 14.30 | 6.15 |
| Site 7 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 1.26 | 2.68 | 53.05 | #DIV/0! | 1.35 | 53.20 | 51.70 | 46.45 | 26.45 | 25.25 | 5.25 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 1.44 | 2.77 | 47.80 | 8.20 | 9.50 | 39.65 | 38.30 | 33.60 | 22.70 | 15.60 | 4.70 |
| Site 8 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.97 | 2.54 | 61.65 | 4.25 | 6.20 | 57.40 | 55.45 | 48.90 | 29.20 | 26.25 | 6.55 |
| | | BW1 | 25- 35 cm | 1.14 | 2.69 | 57.55 | 10.05 | 11.70 | 47.60 | 45.85 | 40.90 | 34.35 | 11.50 | 4.95 |

| Site 9 | Ronga | А | 0 - 10 cm | 1.35 | 2.69 | 49.95 | 3.90 | 5.55 | 46.05 | 44.40 | 38.00 | 22.10 | 22.30 | 6.40 |
|---------|---------|-----|------------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| | | В | 25- 35 cm | 1.35 | 2.76 | 51.05 | 12.80 | 14.75 | 38.25 | 36.30 | 29.45 | 16.85 | 19.45 | 6.85 |
| Site 10 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.95 | 2.58 | 63.25 | 5.70 | 7.85 | 57.50 | 55.40 | 48.90 | 29.35 | 26.05 | 6.50 |
| | | BW1 | 35 - 45 cm | 1.08 | 2.73 | 60.50 | 20.50 | 23.90 | 40.00 | 36.60 | 29.05 | 19.30 | 17.30 | 7.55 |
| Site 11 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.98 | 2.55 | 61.65 | 6.60 | 6.05 | 58.30 | 55.60 | 48.30 | 31.40 | 24.20 | 7.30 |
| | | | NONE | 0.98 | 2.68 | 63.5 | 18.2 | 20.4 | 45.3 | 43.1 | 37.8 | 31.8 | 11.30 | 5.30 |
| Site 12 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 1.17 | 2.65 | 55.60 | 2.35 | 4.55 | 53.35 | 51.05 | 44.20 | 22.70 | 28.35 | 6.85 |
| | | | 30 - 40 cm | 1.36 | 2.75 | 50.60 | 12.65 | 15.65 | 37.90 | 34.95 | 28.05 | 16.70 | 18.25 | 6.90 |
| Site 13 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.96 | 2.53 | 62.05 | 4.50 | 7.15 | 57.55 | 54.90 | 48.20 | 31.80 | 23.10 | 6.70 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 1.05 | 2.70 | 61.25 | 9.35 | 11.85 | 51.90 | 49.40 | 42.20 | 34.05 | 15.35 | 7.20 |
| Site 14 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 1.16 | 2.71 | 57.25 | 2.50 | 4.50 | 56.75 | 54.85 | 46.75 | 21.05 | 33.80 | 8.10 |
| | | C1 | 30 - 40 cm | 1.45 | 2.80 | 48.10 | 8.25 | 9.80 | 39.90 | 38.30 | 32.45 | 23.40 | 14.90 | 5.85 |
| Site 15 | Pelorus | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.95 | 2.56 | 62.70 | 8.05 | 9.75 | 54.65 | 52.95 | 45.40 | 27.30 | 25.65 | 7.55 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 1.15 | 2.69 | 57.15 | 10.45 | 11.90 | 46.70 | 45.25 | 40.40 | 32.60 | 12.65 | 4.85 |
| Site 16 | Rai | A | 0 - 10 cm | 0.99 | 2.53 | 60.65 | 3.05 | 5.30 | 57.60 | 55.35 | 48.25 | 31.65 | 23.70 | 7.10 |
| | | BW1 | 30 - 40 cm | 0.99 | 2.66 | 62.85 | 18.40 | 21.20 | 44.45 | 41.65 | 34.70 | 30.25 | 11.40 | 6.95 |
| Site 17 | Ronga | A | 0 - 10 cm | 1.01 | 2.60 | 60.90 | 3.50 | 5.45 | 57.35 | 55.45 | 49.10 | 27.15 | 28.30 | 6.35 |
| | | В | 30 - 40 cm | 1.12 | 2.72 | 58.60 | 13.20 | 14.60 | 45.45 | 44.00 | 38.70 | 28.30 | 15.70 | 5.30 |