Rises

LAND UNIT 2.06

Gillen Member Dolomite Rises

DESCRIPTION: Rocky dolomite rises with Witchetty Bush over Limestone Grass and sparse Spinifex.

SITE: 066



Distribution of land unit.



Area = 5.17 km^2 , 1.57% of mapped area.

LAND CAPABILITY:

ATTRIBUTES			
SLOPE (%)	10		
RELIEF (m)	8 (max)		
SOIL DEPTH (m)	0.50		
SURFACE CONDITION	Loose		
DEPTH TO SUBSTRATE (m)	0.50		
REACTION TREND (pH)	9.0		
OUTCROP (%)	85		
RUNOFF	Rapid		
PERMEABILITY	Highly permeable		
DRAINAGE	Rapidly drained		
SALINITY (μs/cm)	103.5		

DEVELOPMENT RISKS		
EROSION	Severe	
ROCK FALL	None	
SHEET FLOODING	Slight	
INUNDATION	Slight	
SALINITY	Slight	
ALKALINITY	Severe	
ACIDITY	None	

		CAPAI	BILITY CLASS		
Formed Roads	Shallow Septic excavations Disposal		Horticulture	Building Foundations	Landscaping
Good	Very Poor	Very Poor	Poor	Good	Poor

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TECHNICAL DETAILS

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DESCRIPTION: Dolomite rises of uniform sized rocky calcrete fragments overlying dolomite substrate with

Witchetty Bush over Limestone Grass and sparse Spinifex.

GEOLOGY: Late Proterozoic Gillen Member Dolomite. Rocks vary from uniformly textured dolomite to

brecciated fragments of dolomite in a calcareous cement matrix.

LANDFORM: Low Hill crests and Rolling Rises of Dolomite. Slopes are mostly about 18% with a relief of

about 15m to 20m above the surrounding landforms. This unit generally forms the foothills of

the higher Gillen Member Dolomite Hills and Ranges.

Runoff and drainage are both rapid and permeability is moderate.

SOIL: Example from **Site 066**.

MGA. Coords: 7375969mN, 378210mE

Soil development is restricted to areas between larger rock fragments and to interstitial

spaces.

CLASSIFICATION: Red Calcareous Soils. Calcarosols CA, CV, DZ, IC, A, G, M, T					
SURFACE: 20% 60-200mm subangular calcrete fragments.					
DEPTH	HORIZON	TEXTURE	рН	SALINITY	OTHER DETAILS
(m)				(μs/cm)	
0.00 - 0.05	A1k	Clay loam (CL)	9.0	103.5	Dark red (2.5YR3/6). 10% 2-6mm subangular calcareous fragments. 2% 60-200mm subangular calcareous fragments. Moderate effervescence.

VEGETATION: Site 67 (Albrecht, D. and Pitts, B. 1999).

UPPER STRATUM - Isolated tress				
Dominant species				
Other species	Mulga, Dead Finish, Whitewood, Bloodwood, Long-leaf Corkwood, Supplejack.			
MID STRATUM - Spa	MID STRATUM - Sparse shrubland			
Dominant species	Witchetty Bush, Rock Fuchsia Bush, Senna artemisioides subsp. alicia,			
Other species	Acacia bivenosa, Ruby Saltbush, Dolomite Fuchsia Bush, Native Fuchsia, Native Fuchsia, Silver Cassia, Blunt-leaf Cassia,			
LOWER STRATUM - Sparse tussock grassland				
Dominant species	Limestone Grass, Buffel Grass,			
Other species	Dwarf Lantern Flower, Mallee Saltbush, Buffel Grass, Dwarf Lantern Flower, Spreading Saltbush, Dolomite Daisy, Desert Goosefoot, Silver Indigo, Green Peppercress, Veined Peppercress, Veined Peppercress, Sand Spurge, Large Green Pussytail, Silver Tails, Tall Saltbush, Buck Bush, Tall Copper Burr, Western Copper Burr, Silver Sida, Downy Thread-petal &/or Narrow Thread-petal, Bindieye, Purple Plumegrass,			

(See Appendix 3 for botanical names)