

LAND RESOURCES of part of LITCHFIELD NATIONAL PARK

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LAND UNIT DESCRIPTIONS

PLATEAUX

- 1a1** Plateau surface; flat to gently undulating plateau surface; <1.5% slope. Kandosols. Red earths; well drained. Eucalyptus miniata and E. tetradonta tall open woodland/forest with Erythrophloeum chlorostachys and Livistona humilis; annual grass layer
- 1a2** Plateau surface; flat to gently undulating plateau surface; <1.5% slope. Kandosols. Gravelly red earths; well drained. Eucalyptus miniata and E. tetradonta tall open woodland with Erythrophloeum chlorostachys. Terminalia latipes, L. humilis and Pandanus spiralis; annual grass layer
- 1a3** Plateau surface; flat to gently undulating plateau surface; <1.5% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; well drained. Jacksonia dilatata and Calytrix exstipulata very tall sparse shrubland with mixed Acacia spp. and Grevillea spp.; sparse perennial grass layer
- 1a4** Plateau surface; flat to gently undulating plateau surface; <2% slope. Tenosols. Red earthy sands; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus tetradonta tall open woodland; sparse T. latipes, J. dilatata, Acacia spp. and Grevillea spp. understorey; annual/perennial grass layer
- 1a5** Plateau surface; flat to gently undulating plateau surface; <2% slope. Tenosols. Yellow earthy sands; rapidly drained. Petalostigma pubescens, Jacksonia dilatata, Grevillea spp. and Melaleuca spp. Very tall sparse shrubland; variable annual/perennial grass layer
- 1c** Plateau surface; outlying plateau remnants; <3% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; well drained. Eucalyptus miniata and E. tetradonta tall open woodland with Erythrophloeum chlorostachys, Terminalia latipes, L. humilis and Pandanus spiralis; annual grass layer

ESCARPMENTS

- 2a** Sideslopes; gently inclined upper slopes; <10% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus miniata, E. tetradonta and Erythrophloeum chlorostachys mid high open woodland to tall woodland; minor Eucalyptus phoenicea, C. polysciada and Pandanus spiralis; annual/perennial grass layer
- 2b** Sideslopes; steep slopes; 20-35% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus miniata, E. tetradonta, Erythrophloeum chlorostachys and C. porrecta tall open woodland; sparse mixed annual/perennial grass layer
- 4c1** Steep hills and slopes; steep slopes; <50% slope. Hydrosols. Lithosols; very poorly drained. Calophyllum soulatrii, C. brachiata, M. benthamiana and Psycdrax odorata tall closed forest
- 4c2** Steep hills and slopes; steep slopes; <50% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus brachyandra and G. megasperma low open woodland (steeper slopes - C. exstipulata, C. brownii, J. dilatata and L. humilis); minor annual grass layer

HILLS

- 4a** Steep hills and slopes; high hills; <45% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Terminalia latipes, B. obovata and G. megasperma mid-high open woodland with minor E. miniata, E. tetradonta and Erythrophloeum chlorostachys; sparse variable grass layer
- 4b** Steep hills and slopes; low hills; <40% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Terminalia latipes, B. obovata and G. megasperma mid-high open woodland with E. tectifica and C. dichromophloia; sparse variable grass layer

LOW HILLS

- 3a1** Secondary plateau surface; rolling plateau surface; <20% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus miniata, E. tetradonta and C. intratropica tall woodland, OR minor Calytrix exstipulata, J. dilatata, Grevillea spp. and Acacia spp. very tall sparse shrubland; annual grass and sedge layer
- 3a2** Secondary plateau surface; rolling plateau surface; <10% slope. Tenosols. Siliceous and earthy sands; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus miniata, E. tetradonta and Erythrophloeum chlorostachys tall open woodland; sparse annual grass/sedge layer
- 3a3** Secondary plateau surface; rolling plateau surface; <10% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus miniata, E. tetradonta, C. dichromophloia and Terminalia ferdinandiana mid high to tall woodland; annual grass layer
- 3a4** Secondary plateau surface; dissected rolling plateau surface; <15% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus brachyandra, L. humilis and G. megasperma low open woodland; sparse annual/perennial grass layer

RISES

- 5a** Undulating lowlands; low rises; <5% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus miniata and E. tetradonta mid-high to tall open woodland with Erythrophloeum chlorostachys, C. polysciada and T. latipes; variable grass layer

PLAINS

- 5b1** Undulating lowlands; gently undulating lowlands; <1% slope. Kandosols. Red earths; well drained. Corymbia grandifolia, E. tectifica, C. polysciada and Erythrophloeum chlorostachys mid-high open woodland; dense annual grass layer
- 5b2** Undulating lowlands; gently undulating lowlands; <1% slope. Kandosols. Yellow earths; moderately well drained. Mixed Eucalyptus spp. mid-high woodland with Themeda triandra, Heteropogon triticeus, Alloterospis semiolata grassland understorey
- 5b3** Undulating lowlands; gently undulating lowlands; <1.5% slope. Hydrosols. Grey earths; imperfectly drained. Corymbia bella, C. foelschiana and Erythrophloeum chlorostachys mid-high open woodland
- 5c** Undulating lowlands; gently undulating sand plains; <3% slope. Tenosols. Siliceous sands; well drained. Mixed Eucalyptus spp. mid-high to tall open woodland; moderately dense perennial grass layer
- 5d** Undulating lowlands; footslopes; <3% slope. Rudosols. Lithosols; rapidly drained. Eucalyptus tetradonta and Erythrophloeum chlorostachys with C. foelschiana, L. humilis and X. paradoxus mid-high to tall open woodland; perennial grass layer

DRAINAGE SYSTEMS

- 1b1** Plateau surface; drainage depressions; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Grey earths; very poorly drained. Melaleuca spp. and L. lactifolius mid high open woodland with a Cynodon dactylon and Xyris complanata sparse grassland
- 1b2** Plateau surface; drainage depressions; <2% slope. Hydrosols. Lithosols; poorly drained. Tall sparse tussock grassland; isolated trees L. lactifolius, Melaleuca spp.
- 1b3** Plateau surface; drainage depressions; <3% slope. Hydrosols. Grey earths and siliceous sands; poorly drained. Melaleuca viridiflora, A. symphyocarpa and L. lactifolius mid high to tall open woodland with a Cynodon dactylon and Sorghum plumosum sparse grassland
- 1b4** Plateau surface; drainage depressions; <3% slope. Hydrosols. Lithosols; poorly drained. Sorghum plumosum very tall grassland; isolated trees P. spiralis
- 3b** Secondary plateau surface; drainage depressions; <2% slope. Hydrosols. Siliceous sands; poorly drained. Melaleuca nervosa, P. spiralis and G. pteridifolia mid high open woodland; dense annual grass/sedge layer
- 3c** Secondary plateau surface; seepage areas; <10% slope. Hydrosols. Siliceous sands; very poorly drained. Tall sparse annual grassland or sedgeland
- 5e** Undulating lowlands; seepage areas; <10% slope. Hydrosols. Humic gleys; very poorly drained. Fimbristylis nutans, E. aurea and M. rotbovillensis mid-high closed sedgeland/grassland
- 6a** Drainage floors and depressions; drainage depressions; <2% slope. Hydrosols. Grey earths; poorly drained. Melaleuca viridiflora and/or Lophostemon lactifolius mid-high open woodland to tall open forest; sparse perennial grass/sedge layer
- 6b1** Drainage floors and depressions; drainage floors; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Grey earths; poorly drained. Lophostemon lactifolius, M. viridiflora with minor C. polycarpa low woodland; annual/perennial grass layer
- 6b2** Drainage floors and depressions; drainage floors; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Grey earths; poorly drained. Mixed spp. tall closed tussock grassland/sedgeland
- 6b3** Drainage floors and depressions; drainage floors; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Yellow podzolics; poorly drained. Low sparse perennial grassland/sedgeland
- 6c1** Drainage floors and depressions; sandy drainage floors; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Siliceous sands; poorly drained. Mixed annual/perennial spp. tall closed grassland; minor areas of Melaleuca nervosa, P. spiralis, G. pteridifolia mid high open woodland
- 6c2** Drainage floors and depressions; sandy drainage floors; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Siliceous sands; imperfectly drained. Melaleuca nervosa, L. lactifolius, G. pteridifolia and P. spiralis mid-high open woodland; dense perennial grass/sedge layer
- 7a** Stream channels and levees; stream channels. Hydrosols. Siliceous sands; very poorly drained. Melaleuca spp. with minor L. lactifolius and L. madidum subsp. Sativum tall open forest; minor areas of Carpentaria acuminata, G. schlechteri, F. racemosa and P. odorata tall closed forest
- 7b** Stream channels and levees; levees; <1% slope. Hydrosols. Siliceous sands; rapidly drained. Melaleuca nervosa, G. pteridifolia, J. dilatata, C. exstipulata and Acacia spp. very tall sparse shrubland; minor perennial grass layer

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GENERAL FEATURES

- Limit of land unit survey
- Cadastral boundary
- Park / Reserve
- Principal road
- Secondary road
- Local road / track
- Drainage line
- Spot height

