

Landform

Hillcrest or moderately inclined slope of approximately 12%; well drained with rapid runoff and slow permeability (due to the high percentage of surface rock); substrate material of ferruginized sandstone is exposed at the surface; 80% sandstone outcrop.

Soils

Rudosols (Isbell, 1992), Uc 1.23 (Northcote, 1978), Sandy lithosols (Stace, 1968). Surface soils have algal crusting and to a minor extent loose sand.

0.0 - 0.1m Sandy loam; dark brown (7.5YR 3/3 moist); massive and earthy; pH 6.0; 20% subangular ferruginized sandstone fragments between 20-50mm dia.; very weak consistence; slightly sticky.

Vegetation

Low open mallee woodland of *Eucalyptus socialis* (Red Mallee), *Eucalyptus eremaea* (Mallee Bloodwood), *Eucalyptus gamophylla* (Blue Mallee), *Eucalyptus intertexta* (Bastard Coolibah) and *Acacia pruinocarpa* (Black Gidgee).

over

Tall sparse shrubland of *Acacia macdonnelliensis* (Hill mulga), *Eremophila latrobei* (Native Fuchsia), *Acacia kempeana* (Witchetty Bush), *Acacia tetragonophylla* (Dead Finish) and *Acacia aneura* (Mulga). *Eremophila freelingii* (Rock Fuchsia Bush) dominant at site 56.

over

Tall open hummock grassland of *Plectrachne melvillei*, *Triodia clelandii* (Weeping Spinifex), *Eriachne mucronata* (Mountain Wanderrie), *Eragrostis eriopoda* (Woollybutt Grass) and *Ptilotus obovatus* (Silver Tails).

Land Management

As for 2.1 and 2.2