### Eucalypts and bloodwood on sandy tableland



#### Landform

Mountains and ranges.

#### **Woody vegetation**

Silver-leaved ironbark, narrow-leaved ironbark, Moreton Bay ash, ghost gum, large-fruited bloodwood woodland. Understorey, where present, of red ash, wattles, heath myrtle, paperbark tea tree and quinine.

### Expected pasture composition

\* Denotes non-native "Expected Pasture Composition" species.

Preferred

Black speargrass, kangaroo grass, hairy panic, desert bluegrass.

Intermediate

Golden beard grass.

Non-preferred

Barbwire grass, many-headed wiregrass, dark wiregrass, wanderrie grass, bottlewasher grasses, summer grass, fairy grass, lovegrasses, five-minute grass.

Annual grasses

Small burr grass, comet grass.

#### Suitable sown pastures

Oversow with legumes, shrubby, Caribbean, Caatinga stylos.

#### Introduced weeds

Soil

Red and yellow sandy earths (tenosol).

Description

**Surface:** Loose to firm; **Surface texture**: sand or loamy sand; **Subsoil texture**: sandy loam to sandy light medium clay.

Water availability

Very low.



Rooting depth

0.9 m

Fertility

Very low total nitrogen; very low phosphorus.

Salinity

Non-saline

Sodicity

Non-sodic

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Neutral to acid.

# Long-term carrying capacity information (A condition)

Based on fully watered area for 1AE = 450 kg animal consuming 8kg DM/day				
Median annual rainfall 521 – 653 mm				
Pasture type	Median tree cover	Median annual pasture growth	Safe annual utilisation pasture growth	LTCC
	(TBA m²/ha) (FPC %)	(DM kg/ha)	(%)	(ha/AE)
Native species	0 TBA/FPC	1700 - 2050	20%	7.2 – 8.6
	17 TBA 41 FPC	260 - 340	20%	43 – 56

#### **Enterprise**

#### Breeding

# Land use and management recommendations

- Do not develop.
- Stock conservatively to maintain good grasses.

#### Land use limitations

- · Very low fertility.
- Regrowth

# Conservation features and related management

- Important water recharge areas.
- The bloodwoods that dominate these woodlands flower early in season (usually by early December) and provide food source for a wide range of arboreal mammals (e.g. brushtail possums, sugar gliders, little red flying foxes) and migratory birds especially over-wintering small birds. Red-tailed black cockatoos are attracted to seed capsules.
- Some areas provide habitat for rock wallabies and quail thrushes.
- Light grazing is recommended for these woodlands with patch/mosaic burning.

#### **Regional Ecosystems**

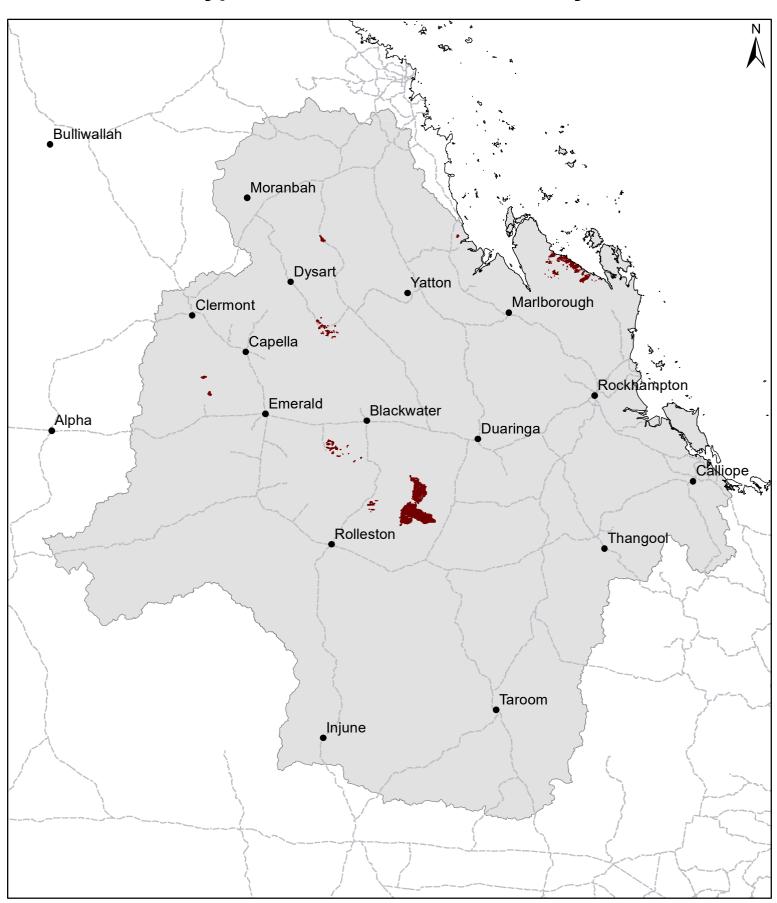
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Land units; Agricultural management unit; Soil associations

Land units (Gunn *et al* 1967; Story *et al* 1967) Lennox 2, Tichbourne 2, Degulla 1, Ronlow 2, Monteagle 1, Humboldt 1; Soil associations (Burgess 2003) Bills Hut.



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Area of land type in region: 0.3% Median rainfall (region): 494 – 830 mm Average rainfall (region): 560 – 869 mm

Area of land type with FPC: 96%

Median FPC: 41% Median TBA: 17 m2/ha

