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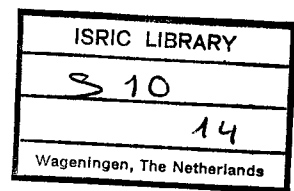


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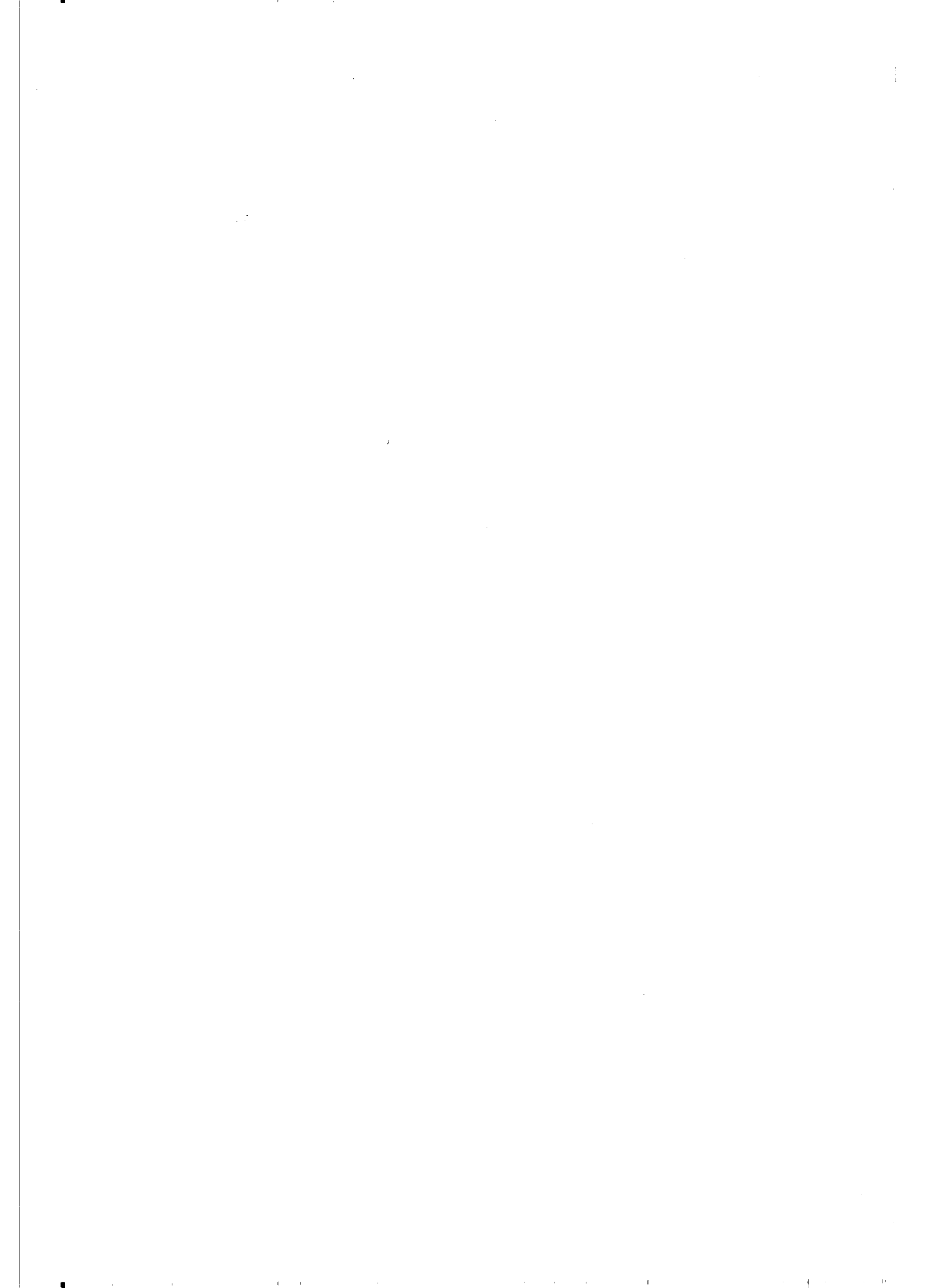
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FOREWORD

ISRIC's Soil Information System (ISIS) was developed to enable the storage of site and profile descriptions and analytical data of our soil profile collection in a computerized database.

The basis for ISIS and the present Technical Papers 14 and 15 was laid by Mr. E. van Waveren. The programme was subsequently improved by Mr. A.B. Bos, aided by Mr. J. Verhagen, making use of many suggestions received since the first draft was made available last year.

ISIS is suitable for personal and micro-computers using MS-DOS and is available for IBM and compatible computers. The system uses dBASEIII.

Although developed to serve ISRIC's internal needs, due to its flexibility ISIS can also be employed as a prototype for the development of a soil database at any soil centre.

ISRIC is very willing to cooperate with national soil centres, especially in developing countries, at such an undertaking.

No computer programme is perfect; we look forward to receiving comments for improvements.

Dr. W.G. Sombroek
Director

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ISRIC SOIL DESCRIPTION FORM FOR CODED INFORMATION

INTRODUCTION

The guidelines presented here were developed to enable the storage of the site and profile descriptions of the soils of the ISRIC reference collection in a computerized soil database ISRIC Soil Information System (ISIS). They are based on the FAO Guidelines for soil profile description (1977) and are in fact a more schematic presentation of the former ISRIC (ISM) guidelines (Spaargaren, 1980).

The major points of difference with the former ISRIC guidelines are:

- The number of site variables increased considerably due to the more schematic approach.
- The majority of the non numerical site information is recorded in classes to increase the uniformity of the descriptions in order to optimize selection procedures and to reduce the size of the database.
- Numerical class codes were omitted to increase the readability and to simplify the filling in of the forms.

These guidelines should be used with the ISRIC SOIL DESCRIPTION FORM FOR CODED INFORMATION (see appendix C).

Please note that the information on the soil can only be entered in ISIS if these guidelines are strictly followed. Please do not make any modifications in the classification of the variables or the coding of the classes, and do not add new variables.

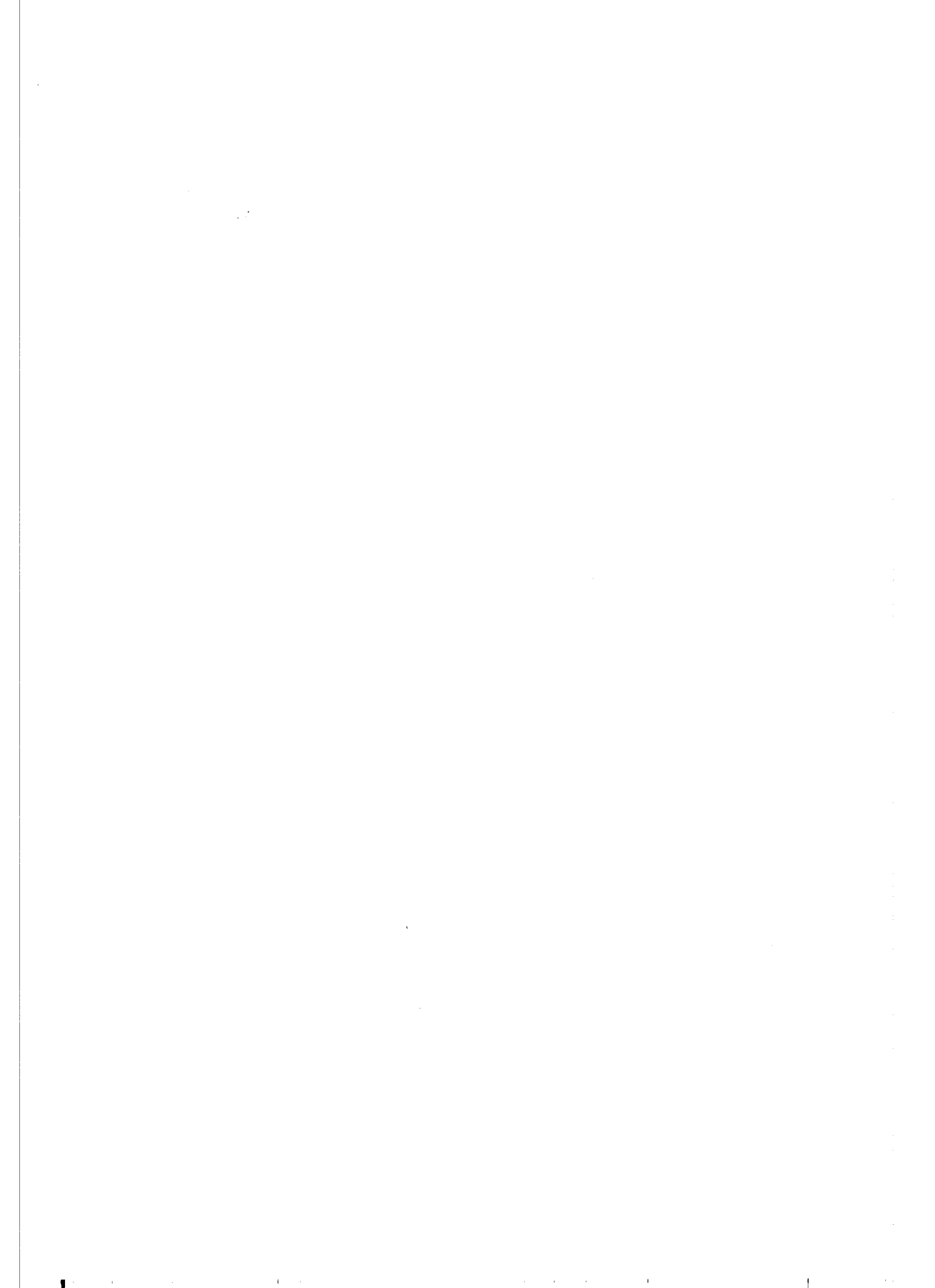
Please note that in this report the letter capital o = 'O' and zero = '0'. If the description according the guidelines is not fully satisfactory use the descriptive part at the end of the site description form for additional information or remarks.

Terms marked with * are explained in appendix A.

ISIS

ISIS is a computerized soil database developed for micro computers. It uses dBASEIII, a well known relational database management system (ASHTON-TATE). It is primarily developed to handle the documentation of the ISRIC soil reference collection. Due to its flexibility ISIS can also be used as a prototype for the development of a soil database in a non-ISRIC environment.

Write to ISRIC, P.O.Box 353, 6700 AJ Wageningen, the Netherlands to obtain further information and/or ISIS programs.



SITE DESCRIPTION

DATE Enter month and year.

COUNTRY Enter country code. (see appendix B 1.)

ISRIC CODE Enter ISRIC soil code.

AUTHOR Upto 20 characters.

Location of the site

LOCATION Upto 70 characters. Indicate as detailed as possible.

LATITUDE Enter N or S/degrees/minutes/seconds.

LONGITUDE Enter E or W/degrees/minutes/seconds.

ALTITUDE In m.a.s.l.. When below sea level, add - (minus sign)

Classification:

FAO/UNESCO (1974)

FAO SOIL UNIT Enter soil unit code (see appendix B 2).

PHASE Enter phase:

<i>st stony</i>	<i>x fragipan</i>
<i>pe petric</i>	<i>mq duripan</i>
<i>mk petrocalcic</i>	<i>z saline</i>
<i>li lithic</i>	<i>so sodic</i>
<i>my petrogypsic</i>	<i>ce cerrado</i>
<i>ph phreatic</i>	<i>ms petroferric</i>

SOIL TAXONOMY (USDA/SCS,1975)

GREAT GROUP Enter great group code (see appendix B 3).

SUB GROUP Enter sub group code (see appendix B 3).

TEXTURE Enter texture class (see appendix B 4).

MINERALOGY Enter mineralogy class (see appendix B 4).

STR Enter soil temperature regime:

<i>pg pergelic</i>	<i>ht hyperthermic</i>
<i>cr cryic</i>	<i>if isofrigid</i>
<i>fr frigid</i>	<i>im isomesic</i>
<i>me mesic</i>	<i>it isothermic</i>
<i>th thermic</i>	<i>ih isohyperthermic</i>

SMR

Enter soil moisture regime:

<i>aq</i> aquic	<i>ud</i> udic
<i>pq</i> peraquic	<i>pu</i> perudic
<i>ar</i> aridic	<i>us</i> ustic
<i>to</i> torric	<i>xe</i> xeric

Other diagnostic criteria according to FAO/UNESCO (1974) and USDA/SCS (1975).

DIAGNOSTIC HORIZONS

Enter diagnostic horizons. There is space for three entries:

<i>al</i> albic	<i>pc</i> petrocalcic	<i>an</i> anthropic
<i>ag</i> agric	<i>pg</i> petrogypsic	<i>hi</i> histic
<i>ar</i> argillic	<i>pl</i> placic	<i>mo</i> mollic
<i>cl</i> calcic	<i>sa</i> salic	<i>oc</i> ochric
<i>ca</i> cambic	<i>so</i> sombric	<i>um</i> umbric
<i>gy</i> gypsic	<i>sp</i> spodic	<i>pa</i> plaggen
<i>na</i> natric	<i>su</i> sulfuric	<i>du</i> duripan
<i>fr</i> fragipan	<i>ox</i> oxic	

DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA

Enter (other) diagnostic criteria. There is space for two entries:

<i>at</i> abrupt textural change	<i>li</i> lithic contact
<i>al</i> albic material	<i>mo</i> mottles with chroma<2
<i>am</i> exchange complex dom. by amorphous material	<i>Nv</i> n - value
<i>cl</i> paralithic contact	<i>pf</i> permafrost
<i>cf</i> petroferric contact	<i>sq</i> plinthite
<i>co</i> COLE	<i>sl</i> slickensides
<i>du</i> durinodes	<i>sc</i> smeary consistence
<i>fa</i> ferralic properties	<i>k</i> soft powdery lime
<i>fe</i> ferric properties	<i>su</i> sulfidic material
<i>gl</i> gilgai	<i>ta</i> takyric
<i>or</i> high org matter in B	<i>tx</i> thixotropy
<i>sa</i> high salinity	<i>ir</i> thin iron pan
<i>hy</i> hydromorphic properties	<i>to</i> tonguing
<i>if</i> interfingering	<i>ve</i> vertic properties
	<i>we</i> weatherable minerals

LOCAL CLASSIFICATION

Local classification or soil name. Descriptive upto 30 characters. If more space is required use general description

CLIMATE

KOPPEN

Enter climate classification according to Köppen:
(Trewartha, 1968)

Af tropical wet climate
Am tropical monsoon climate
Aw tropical "wet-and-dry" climate (savanna)

BW arid (desert) climate
BS semi-arid (steppe) climate

Cf mild temperate rainy climate with no distinct dry season
Cw mild temperate rainy climate with dry winters
Cs mild temperate rainy climate with dry summers

Df cold snow-forest climate with humid winters
Dw cold snow-forest climate with dry winters

ET polar tundra climate
EF polar perpetual frost climate

Other lower case characters used, with:

A climates: *w'* rainfall maximum in autumn
 w'' two distinct rainfall maxima
 s dry season during high-sun period
 i temperature range between warmest and coolest month < 5°C

B climates *h* hot climate
 k cool climate
 k' cold climate
 s dry summers
 w dry winters
 n frequent fog

C climates *a* hot summers
 b cool summers
 i temperature range between warmest and coolest month < 5°C
 x rainfall maximum late spring; drier in late summer
 n frequent fog

D climates *d* extremely cold winter month
 f, s, w, a, b, c: see C climate

Entry of climatic data: on the description form is space for data of at most three climatic variables recorded on one single climate station. The ISIS database itself has no limitations in number of stations or number of variables per station.

STATION

Enter name of climate station; up to 20 characters.

LATITUDE

Latitude of station. Enter: N or S / degrees / minutes.

LONGITUDE

Longitude of station. Enter: E or W / degrees / minutes.

ALTITUDE

Enter altitude of station in m.a.s.l.; when below sea level, enter - (minus sign)

DISTANCE

Enter distance in km between site and climate station.

DIRECTION Enter direction site --> climate station:

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      NNW   N   NNE
      NW    |   NE
      WNW   |   ENE
W ----- site ----- E
      WSW   |   ESE
      SW    |   SE
      SSW   S   SSE
  
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RELEVANCE Relevance of station's data to soil site (DAY (ed),1983):

- v very good: site of station is identical to soil site
- g good: site of station and soil site are sufficiently similar to allow for macro and intermediate levels of climatic interpretations
- m moderate: sufficiently similar to allow for macro climatic interpretations
- p poor: no reliable climatic interpretations possible

CLIMATIC DATA Enter mean monthly and annual figures for each variable.

DATA KIND Enter kind of variable:

CAUTION !! CODE SHOULD BE ENTERED EXACTLY AS LISTED BELOW !!

- T mean temperature in degrees Celcius
- Ti min temp Ta max temp
- P precipitation in mm
- Pd number of rain days
- E potential evapotranspiration in mm
- Et thornthwaite Ep penman
- Ef frere,popov Eb blaney-criddle
- Ea papadakis Eu turc
- A actual evaporation in mm
- Ao class A pan Ac colorado pan
- Ap piche
- H relative humidity (%)
- U wind speed in m/sec at 2 m height

If the wind speed is measured at different height, it should be corrected to wind speed at 2 m height with the following factor:(Doorenbos and Pruitt, 1975)

<u>Measuring height(m):</u>	0.5	1	1.5	2	3	4	5	6	8	10
<u>Correction factor:</u>	1.35	1.15	1.06	1.0	0.93	0.88	0.85	0.83	0.81	0.80

- n hours of bright sunshine (hours/day)
- nN percentage bright sunshine (%)
- R total global radiation (MJ.m⁻².day⁻¹)
- Re estimated total global radiation(MJ.m⁻².day⁻¹)
- x other data specify in remarks

$$\begin{aligned}
 1MJ.m^{-2} &= 23.885cal/cm^{-2} &= 23.885 \text{ langley} \\
 &= 27.778mWhr.cm^{-2} \\
 &= 0.404mm \text{ water}
 \end{aligned}$$

If variable and/or method of recording is not included in the table: give a full description of variable and/or method in descriptive part.

PERIOD Number of years of record.

Parent material/Parent rock

Parent material is defined as the unconsolidated mineral or organic material from which the true soil develops. Parent rock is defined as the rock mass from which the parent material is derived (PARKER (eds),1984).

There is space available for a sequence of at most two types of parent material/rock. Use the descriptive part if more space is required (REMARKS).

MODE

Mode of accumulation or deposition of parent material. (after USDA/SCS,1979):

- a alluvium*
- e eolian mixed/undifferentiated*
- w loess*
- s eolian sand*
- h volcanic ejecta*
- l lacustrine, inclusive fluvio and glacio lacustrine*
- y estuarine sediments*
- m marine sediments*
- c colluvium**
- v slope wash**
- f fluvio-glacial deposits*
- i ice-pushed materials*
- g glacial outwash**
- t glacial till**
- d glacial drift**
- o organic sediments*
- x residual (in situ weathered) materials*
- u unconsolidated, unspecified*
- r solid rock*
- b man-made*

DERIVED FROM Enter parent rock of which the parent material is derived.
(based on USDA/SCS, 1979).

table 1. Parent rock types

<i>mixed lithology and composition</i>	
y1 noncalcareous or acid rocks	y2 calcareous rocks
y3 mixed lithology, unspecified	y4 igneous/metamorphic/ sedimentary rocks
y5 igneous/ metamorphic rocks	y6 igneous/sedimentary rocks
y7 metamorphic/sedimentary rocks	
wØ chemically highly weathered materials (reworked materials)	cØ conglomerate (unspecified)
w1 lateritic material	c1 non calcareous
w2 bauxitic material	c2 calcareous
iØ igneous rocks (unspecified)	i5 fine, unspecified
i1 coarse , unspecified	i6 fine, basic (e.g. basalt)
I2 coarse , basic	i7 fine, intermediate (e.g. andesite)
I3 coarse , intermediate (e.g. diorite)	I8 fine, acid (e.g. rhyolite)
I4 coarse , acid (e.g. granite)	I9 fine, ultrabasic
mØ metamorphic rocks (unspecified)	m5 schist/phyllite, unspeci- fied
m1 gneiss, unspecified	m6 schist/phyllite, acidic
m2 gneiss, acidic	m7 schist/phyllite, basic
m3 gneiss, basic	m8 slate
m4 serpentinite	m9 quartzite
bØ sedimentary rocks, interbedded (unspecified)	b4 limestone/siltstone
b1 limestone/sandstone and shale	b5 sandstone/shale
b2 limestone/sandstone	b6 sandstone/siltstone
b3 limestone/shale	b7 shale/siltstone
aØ sandstone (unspecified)	a3 graywacke*
a1 noncalcareous, unspecified	a4 calcareous, unspecified
a2 arkosic*	
hØ shale (unspecified)	tØ siltstone (unspecified)
h1 noncalcareous	t1 noncalcareous
h2 calcareous	t2 calcareous
lØ limestone (unspecified)	14 phosphatic
l1 chalk	15 arenaceous (sandy)
l2 marble	16 argillaceous
l3 dolomitic	17 cherty
sØ (other) sedimentary rocks (unspecified)	uØ claystone (unspecified)
s1 marl, unspecified	u1 noncalcareous
s2 glauconite	u2 calcareous

table 1. continued

<i>P</i> pyroclasts, consolidated	<i>e</i> pyroclasts, unconsolidated
<i>p1</i> tuff, unspecified*	<i>e1</i> ash, unspecified*
<i>p2</i> tuff, acidic	<i>e2</i> ash, acidic
<i>p3</i> tuff, basic	<i>e3</i> ash, basic
<i>p4</i> volcanic breccia, unspecified*	<i>e4</i> lapilli, unspecified*
<i>p5</i> volcanic breccia, acidic	<i>e5</i> lapilli, acidic
<i>p6</i> volcanic breccia, basic	<i>e6</i> lapilli, basic
<i>p7</i> tuff breccia*	<i>e7</i> volcanic bombs*
<i>p8</i> scoria/cinders*	
<i>p9</i> pumice*	
<i>k</i> miscellaneous organic material	<i>k4</i> wood fragments <1m
<i>k1</i> mossy material	<i>k5</i> wood fragments >1 m
<i>k2</i> herbaceous material	<i>k6</i> charcoal
<i>k3</i> woody material	

TEXTURE Enter texture of parent material

<i>sa</i> sandy	<i>lo</i> loamy	<i>st</i> stony
<i>sc</i> sandy clay	<i>cl</i> clayey	<i>mx</i> mixed
<i>si</i> silty	<i>gr</i> gravelly	<i>or</i> organic

WEATHERING General characterization of status of weathering of solid rock:

s slight
p partial/moderate
h high

RESISTANCE Resistance against weathering (solid rock only):

v very high
h high
m moderate
l low

DEPTH Enter depth of lithological boundary in cm.

REMARKS Additional remarks parent material/rock up to 20 characters. If more space is required use general descriptive part.

EFFECTIVE SOIL DEPTH Enter effective soil depth in cm. Effective soil depth is the depth to which roots can easily penetrate throughout the year.

GeomorphologyLANDFORM

Enter regional landform. If necessary specify in general descriptive part.

table 2. Regional landforms (based on McDonald et al., 1984)

<i>mo</i>	<i>mountain (unspecified)</i>
<i>hi</i>	<i>hill (unspecified)</i>
<i>hl</i>	<i>low hill</i>
<i>in</i>	<i>inselberg*</i>
<i>va</i>	<i>valley (unspecified)</i>
<i>ba</i>	<i>basin (unspecified)</i>
<i>ib</i>	<i>intermontane basin</i>
<i>bl</i>	<i>badlands*</i>
<i>mm</i>	<i>man-made</i>
<i>up</i>	<i>plain (unspecified)</i>
<i>pu</i>	<i>plateau</i>
<i>pe</i>	<i>penneplain*</i>
<i>ap</i>	<i>alluvial plain (unspecified)</i>
<i>af</i>	<i>floodplain</i>
<i>as</i>	<i>stagnant alluvial plain *</i>
<i>at</i>	<i>alluvial terrace</i>
<i>ad</i>	<i>delta</i>
<i>pm</i>	<i>piedmont features (unspecified)</i>
<i>pa</i>	<i>alluvial fans/bajada/sheetflood fans</i>
<i>pp</i>	<i>pediment*</i>
<i>pl</i>	<i>pediplain*</i>
<i>cp</i>	<i>coastal plain</i>
<i>cb</i>	<i>beach ridge</i>
<i>cf</i>	<i>tidal flat</i>
<i>ct</i>	<i>marine terrace</i>
<i>lc</i>	<i>(fluvio) lacustrine plain</i>
<i>py</i>	<i>playa*</i>
<i>gf</i>	<i>fluvioglacial plain</i>
<i>gk</i>	<i>kame*</i>
<i>gt</i>	<i>fluvioglacial terrace</i>
<i>go</i>	<i>outwash plain</i>
<i>gp</i>	<i>glacial plain (till)</i>
<i>gm</i>	<i>moraine</i>
<i>sp</i>	<i>sand plain</i>
<i>du</i>	<i>dune field</i>
<i>vu</i>	<i>volcano</i>
<i>ca</i>	<i>caldera</i>
<i>la</i>	<i>lava plain</i>

TOPOGRAPHY Topography of the surrounding country (FAO, 1977):

f flat or almost flat: slopes < 2 %
u undulating : steepest slopes 2 - 8 %
r rolling : steepest slopes 8 -16 %
h hilly : steepest slopes 16 - 30 %, range of elevation being moderate
s steeply dissected : steepest slopes > 30 %, range of elevation being moderate
m mountainous : topography has great range of elevation

PHYSIOGRAPHIC UNIT Describe physiographic unit in the immediate surrounding of of the site. Continue in general descriptive part if more space is required.

POSITION OF SITE Enter physiographic position of the site:

c crest l lower slope v open depression
u upper slope s slope unspecified d depression(closed)
m middle slope f flat

Slope characteristics

SLOPE GRADIENT Enter slope gradient of the land immediately surrounding the site (in %).

FORM Form of the slope surrounding the site:

v convex s straight u undulating
c concave x complex

ASPECT Aspect (exposure) of site: N,NNE,NE,ENE,E,.....,NNW.

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      NNW   N   NNE
        NW   |   NE
        WNW  |   ENE
        W  --- site --- E
        WSW  |   ESE
         SW  |   SE
          SSW S  SSE
    
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Microrelief

Small-scale differences in relief within the immediate vicinity of the site. (based upon FAO,1986)

KIND

- v level
- d dimples or craddle - knoll:depressions and associated mounds left by uprooted trees
- w coppice mounds: wind blown material accumulated and stabilized around plants
- k knobs
- f frost polygons
- g gilgai
- m mounds (termites)
- n animal tracks
- l levee, artificial: due to digging and cleaning of drainage and irrigation canals
- s slick spots or scabby spots
- t terracettes
- r ripples
- h holes and galleries due to burrowing animals
- a terracing, artificial

Microrelief formed by soil erosion is excluded from this item and described under denudational-aggradational processes.

PATTERN

- ∅ none l linear r reticulate
- c closed depression i isolated

HEIGHT

Enter variation in height in cm.

Surface characteristics

ROCK OUTCROPS

Enter rock outcrop class (FAO,1977):

- ∅ nil, positive statement
- lr little rocky : less than 2% rock exposed
- fr fairly rocky : exposures roughly 10-35 m apart, coverage 2-10%
- ro rocky : exposures roughly 10-35 m apart, coverage 10-25%
- vr very rocky : exposures roughly 3.5-10 m apart, coverage 25-50%
- er extremely rocky: exposures up to 3.5 m apart, coverage 50-90%
- ou outcrop : coverage over 90%

STONINESS Enter surface stoniness class (FAO,1977):

- ∅ nil, positive statement
- ws very few stones
- fs fairly stony : coverage 0.01-0.1%
- st stony : coverage 0.1-3%
- vs very stony : coverage 3-15 %
- es exceedingly stony: coverage 15-90%
- ru rubble land

STONE SIZE Enter average size of stones in cm

- SHAPE
- s (sub)rounded b angular blocky
 - a angular irregular p platy, flat

- CRACKING
- ∅ nil, positive statement
 - c (small) cracks : width < 1 cm or depth < 50 cm
 - l large cracks : width > 1 cm or depth > 50 cm

SLAKING/CRUSTING Slaking of aggregates by tillage, rainfall or frost (USDA/SCS,1979):

- ∅ nil, positive statement
- p partly slaked, round smooth aggregates
- s slaked: sorted sand/silt, some clay films
- c capped, crust on drying

Enter thickness and nature of crust/seal in profile description.

ALKALI/SALT Evidence of alkali/salt (USDA,1951). The classification given below is used to describe evidence of salt as well as evidence of alkali:

- ∅ soils free of excess alkali or salt. Practically no crops are inhibited by, or show evidence of injury from excess salts or alkali
- s soils slightly affected by salt or alkali. The growth of sensitive crops is inhibited but that of salt tolerant crops may not be.
- m soils moderately affected by salt or alkali. Crop growth is inhibited and no crop does well
- r soils strongly affected by salt or alkali. Only a few kinds of plants survive

If conductivity measurements and/or analytical data are available the following classes can be recognized:

class	alkali (ESP)	salt (mS/cm)
∅ nil	0 - 5	0 - 4
s slight	5 - 15	4 - 8
m moderate	15 - 25	8 - 15
r strong	> 25	> 15

DRAINAGE CLASS (FAO,1977), intergrades are indicated by a combination of both class codes: e.g. 34 = class 3 to 4.

- 0 very poorly drained; water is removed from the soil so slowly that the water table remains at or on the surface the greater part of the time. Soils of this drainage class usually occupy level or depressed sites and are frequently ponded.
- 1 poorly drained; water is removed so slowly that the soil remains wet for a large part of the time. The water table is commonly at or near the surface during a considerable part of the year. Poorly drained conditions are due to a high water table, to a slowly permeable layer within the profile, to seepage, or to a combination of these conditions
- 2 imperfectly drained; water is removed from the soil slowly enough to keep it wet for significant periods but not all of the time. Imperfectly drained soils commonly have a slowly permeable layer within the profile, a high water table, additions through seepage or a combination of these conditions
- 3 moderately well drained; water is removed from the soil somewhat slowly, so that the profile is wet for a small but significant part of the time. Moderately well drained soils commonly have a slowly permeable layer within or immediately below the solum, a relatively high water table, additions of water through seepage or some combination of these conditions
- 4 well drained; water is removed from the soil readily but not rapidly. Well drained soils commonly retain optimum amounts of moisture for plant growth after rains or additions of irrigation water
- 5 somewhat excessively drained; water is removed from the soil rapidly. Many of these soils have little horizon differentiation and are sandy and very porous
- 6 excessively drained; water is removed from the soil very rapidly. Excessively drained soils are commonly lithosols or lithosolic and may be steep, very porous or both

Moisture conditions profile:

DRY Profile dry from .. to ... (cm)

MOIST Profile moist from ... to(cm)

WET Profile wet from to..... (cm)

Denudation and aggradation (based upon FAO,1986)

Indicate nature and intensity of processes at the site and its surroundings (the physiographic unit). If there are any discrepancies between the site and the land surrounding the site, the site data should be entered here. All other information should be entered in the general descriptive part.(based upon FAO,1986)

EROSION
DEGREE

Enter intensity of each type of soil erosion. Here the intensity is only described in general terms. If more accurate data are available it should be entered in the general descriptive part.

<i>∅</i>	<i>no erosion</i>	<i>m</i>	<i>moderate</i>
<i>s</i>	<i>slight</i>	<i>r</i>	<i>severe</i>

EROSION
TYPE

Enter soil erosion type. There is space available for 2 types:

<i>s</i>	<i>sheet</i>
<i>r</i>	<i>rill :depth <30 cm; completely smoothed by normal cultivation</i>
<i>g</i>	<i>gully: depth >30 cm; not smoothed by normal cultivation</i>
<i>w</i>	<i>wind</i>

SOIL
AGGRADATION

Indicate occurrence of recent soil aggradation (McDONALD et al.,1984):

<i>∅</i>	<i>nil, positive statement</i>
<i>n</i>	<i>not apparent</i>
<i>p</i>	<i>present, specify in descriptive part</i>

SLOPE
STABILITY

Indicate present stability of slope:

<i>n</i>	<i>stable</i>	:	<i>no evidence of recent mass movements</i>
<i>m</i>	<i>locally unstable</i>	:	<i>creep, locally shallow earth-/soil slides, flows</i>
<i>h</i>	<i>highly unstable</i>	:	<i>major part of slope is affected by shallow and deep slides /flows etc.</i>

Land use and Vegetation

Describe present land use or vegetation at the immediate surroundings of the site. Use REMARKS for additional information on present land use/vegetation. Use the general descriptive part to add information on past land use/vegetation, or to describe deviating land use/vegetation types close to the site in the same physiographic unit.

LAND UTILIZATION TYPE (LUT)

Indicate present land use type. Use REMARKS to specify:

- a arable farming: unspecified
- ah arable farming: high level: intensive use of fertilizers and pesticides, high level of mechanization
- am arable farming: medium level
- al arable farming: low level: low inputs, low level of mechanization
- x mixed farming : unspecified
- xh mixed farming : high level
- xm mixed farming : medium level
- xl mixed farming : low level
- pa cultivated pasture
- gr (semi) natural grass land, grazed
- sh shrub land, grazed
- wo wood land, grazed
- ur urban land
- na non agricultural land: surface mines, pit spoils etc.
- af afforestation
- ve (semi) natural vegetation
- fa fallow

CROPS

Indicate present or major crop. Use REMARKS to specify or enter additional crops:

- | | | | | |
|--------------------|-----|-------------|-----|-------------|
| cereals: | ce | unspecified | ces | sorghum |
| | cer | rice | cet | millet |
| | cew | wheat | cex | other |
| | cem | maize | | |
| | | | | |
| root crops: | rt | unspecified | rty | yam |
| | rtc | cassava | rtt | taro |
| | rtp | potatoes | rtx | other |
| sugar crops: | suc | sugar cane | | |
| | sub | sugar beet | | |
| vegetables: | ve | unspecified | | |
| fodder crops: | fd | unspecified | | |
| condiments: | cn | unspecified | | |
| oil/protein crops: | ol | unspecified | olb | castor bean |
| | oly | soya bean | olh | chick pea |
| | olg | ground nut | olu | sunflower |
| | ola | safflower | ole | sesame |
| | olc | coconut | olo | olive |
| | oli | oil palm | olx | other |
| | | | | |

<i>fibre crops:</i>	<i>fb</i>	<i>unspecified</i>	<i>fbj</i>	<i>jute</i>
	<i>fbc</i>	<i>cotton</i>	<i>fbr</i>	<i>rosella</i>
	<i>fbk</i>	<i>kenaf</i>	<i>fbx</i>	<i>other</i>
	<i>fbs</i>	<i>sisal</i>		
<i>fruit crops:</i>	<i>fr</i>	<i>unspecified</i>	<i>frc</i>	<i>citrus</i>
	<i>frb</i>	<i>banana</i>	<i>frg</i>	<i>grapes</i>
	<i>frd</i>	<i>date palm</i>	<i>frx</i>	<i>other</i>
<i>stimulants:</i>	<i>st</i>	<i>unspecified</i>	<i>stc</i>	<i>coffee</i>
	<i>stt</i>	<i>tea</i>	<i>stb</i>	<i>tobacco</i>
	<i>sta</i>	<i>cocoa</i>	<i>stx</i>	<i>other</i>
<i>miscellaneous:</i>	<i>msp</i>	<i>pyrethrum</i>		
	<i>msr</i>	<i>rubber</i>		
	<i>man</i>	<i>annual crops, unspecified</i>		
	<i>mpe</i>	<i>perennial crops, unspecified</i>		
	<i>mxx</i>	<i>other</i>		

IRRIGATION

Enter main type of irrigation (FAO,1986):

Ø no irrigation, not relevant
s seasonally irrigated, supplementary irrigation
c continuously irrigated
p paddy

ROTATION

Enter rotation scheme, specify in REMARKS (FAO,1986):

Ø not relevant
ss shifting
sb shifting - long fallow bush
sg shifting - long fallow grass
cf crop rotation with current fallow
cc crop rotation
cg crop-grass rotation
mo mono culture

IMPROVEMENTS

Indicate any other land improvements, specify in REMARKS (FAO,1986):

<i>Ø</i>	<i>none</i>	<i>il</i>	<i>levelling</i>
<i>ic</i>	<i>land clearing</i>	<i>it</i>	<i>terracing</i>
<i>id</i>	<i>draining</i>	<i>ix</i>	<i>other</i>

VEGETATION TYPE

Enter major vegetation type (FAO,1986):

- | | |
|--|---|
| <i>closed forest:</i> | <i>f</i> unspecified |
| | <i>fe</i> evergreen (mainly) |
| | <i>fs</i> semi-deciduous |
| | <i>fd</i> deciduous |
| <i>woodland (open stands of trees)</i> | <i>fx</i> extremely xeromorphic |
| | <i>w</i> unspecified |
| | <i>we</i> evergreen |
| | <i>ws</i> semi-deciduous |
| | <i>wd</i> deciduous |
| <i>shrub:</i> | <i>wx</i> extremely xeromorphic |
| | <i>s</i> unspecified |
| | <i>se</i> evergreen |
| | <i>ss</i> semi deciduous |
| | <i>sd</i> deciduous |
| | <i>sx</i> extremely xeromorphic(sub desert) |
| <i>dwarf shrub:</i> | <i>d</i> unspecified |
| | <i>de</i> evergreen |
| | <i>ds</i> semi deciduous |
| | <i>dd</i> deciduous |
| | <i>dx</i> extremely xeromorphic(sub desert) |
| <i>herbaceous:</i> | <i>dt</i> tundra |
| | <i>h</i> unspecified |
| | <i>ht</i> tall grassland |
| | <i>hm</i> medium tall grassland |
| | <i>hs</i> short grassland |
| | <i>hf</i> forb |

STATUS

Enter present status of vegetation (FAO,1986):

- p* primary
- m* modified: altered as a result of new biotic factors
- c* cut over primary: some trees have been cut
- s* secondary
- d* degraded

REMARKS

Enter additional information on present vegetation (e.g. dominant species) and land use (e.g. additional crops). Up to 40 characters

GENERAL

REMARKS ON

SITE & PROFILE

Enter additional information on site and profile. The information is stored in blocks of 254 characters and blanks (dBASEIII memo-fields)

PHOTOGRAPHS/SLIDES

Enter subject and number of slides/photographs:

- | | |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>la</i> landscape | <i>su</i> soil surface |
| <i>pr</i> profile | <i>pd</i> profile details |
| <i>ve</i> vegetation | <i>cr</i> crops |
| <i>lu</i> land use | <i>er</i> erosion/conservation |
| <i>xx</i> other | |

(conform the codes used in the ISRIC SLIDE database.)

PROFILE DESCRIPTION

ISRIC CODE Enter ISRIC profile code.

HORIZON NUMBER Enter serial number of horizon. Top horizon: serial number 1. Use number 1,2,3,...,9, continue with a,b,c,d etc.

DESIGNATION Enter horizon designation according to FAO (1977)

DEPTH Enter AUGER in case the data are obtained by augering.

DEPTH Enter upper and lower limit of horizon in cm.

BOUNDARY Indicate width and topography of boundary with horizon below (FAO,1977):

Width:	Topography:
a abrupt : < 2cm	s smooth
c clear : 2-5 cm	w wavy: pockets wider than deep
g gradual: 5-12 cm	i irregular: pockets deeper than wide
d diffuse: > 12cm	b broken: boundary discontinuous wide

COLOUR Enter dry and moist matrix colour. The colour hues are entered according to a continuous numerical scale. The values and chromas are multiplied by 10.

Hue conversion table: Munsell to numerical notation:

2.5R= 25	2.5YR=125	2.5Y=225	2.5GY=325	5 G=450	5 B=650
5 R= 50	5 YR=150	5 Y=250	5 GY=350	10 G=500	10 B=700
7.5R= 75	7.5YR=175	7.5Y=275	7.5GY=375	5 BG=550	N=800
10 R=100	10 YR=200	10 Y=300	10 GY=400	10BG=600	

Other (intermediate) hues are allowed, e.g 6YR=160
2R= 20

Examples: 2.5R 5 /6 -> 25 50 60
7.5BG 5.5/8 -> 575 55 80
10 R 2 /4 -> 100 20 40

TEXTURE Enter estimated (field) texture (FAO,1977).

Fraction < 2mm:

sa sand	csa coarse sand
	msa medium sand
	fsa fine sand
	vsa very fine sand
sa loamy sand	clsa coarse loamy sand
	mlsa medium loamy sand
	flsa fine loamy sand
	vlsa very fine loamy sand
sal sandy loam	csal coarse sandy loam
	msal medium sandy loam
	fsal fine sandy loam
	vsal very fine sandy loam
l loam	sicl silty clay loam
sil silt loam	sac sandy clay
si silt	sic silty clay
sac1 sandy clay loam	c clay
cl clay loam	

Fraction 0.2-7.5 cm:	Fraction 7.5 - 25 cm:
<i>sg</i> slightly gravelly	<i>ss</i> slightly stony 2-15%
<i>gr</i> gravelly	<i>st</i> stony 15-50%
<i>vg</i> very gravelly	<i>vs</i> very stony 50-90%
<i>ga</i> gravel	<i>so</i> stones > 90%

Fraction > 25cm:

bo bouldery 2-50%

vb very bouldery 50-90%

bl boulders > 90%

ORGANIC
MATTER
(ORG.MAT)

Enter kind and rate of decomposition of organic matter. This item is normally used to describe O and H horizons. (Day(ed),1983; FAO, 1986).

Kind:

<i>l</i> leaves	<i>s</i> sphagnum	<i>r</i> reeds, sedges
<i>n</i> needles	<i>m</i> other moss	<i>h</i> herbaceous fragments
<i>w</i> wood fragments	<i>c</i> coprogenous earth	<i>u</i> unspecified

Decomposition rate:

\emptyset nil

s slight : > 50% fibric or foliated material

m moderate: 10-50% fibric/foliated material

h high : < 10% fibric/foliated material

STRUCTURE

When a soil contains aggregates of more than one grade, size, or form the different kinds of aggregates should be described separately. There is space for two types of soil aggregates. Enter largest type first (FAO,1977). See table 3.

Grade:

\emptyset *structureless*: that condition in which there is no observable aggregation or no definite orderly arrangement of natural lines of weakness. Massive if coherent; single grain if non coherent (see form). If the soil is coherent one of the following codes should be entered:

wc structureless and weakly coherent

mc structureless and moderately coherent

sc structureless and strongly coherent.

we *weak*: that degree of aggradation characterized by poorly formed indistinct peds that are barely observable in place. When disturbed, soil material that has this grade of structure breaks into a mixture of few entire peds, many broken peds, and much unaggregated material. If necessary for comparison, this grade may be subdivided into:

vw very weak

wm weak to moderate.

mo moderate: that grade of structure characterized by well formed distinct peds that are moderately durable and evident but not distinct in undisturbed soil. Soil material of this grade, when disturbed, breaks down into a mixture of many distinct entire peds, some broken peds, and little unaggregated material.

st strong: that grade of structure characterized by durable peds that are quite evident in undisplaced soil, that adhere weakly to one another, and that withstand displacement and become separated when the soil is disturbed. When removed from the profile, soil material of this grade of structure consists very largely of entire peds and include few broken peds and little or no unaggregated material. If necessary for comparison this grade may be subdivided into:

ms moderate-strong

vs very strong

Size:

vf	very fine		fm	fine to medium	co	coarse
ff	very fine to fine	me	medium		cc	coarse to very coarse
fi	fine		mc	medium to coarse	vc	very coarse

Form:

pl	platy	aw	angular blocky	ma	massive
pr	prismatic		(wedge shaped)	pm	porous massive
cl	columnar	gr	granular	sg	single grain
ab	angular blocky	cr	crumb	ir	irregular
sb	sub angular blocky			ro	rock structure

Relationship form 1 -> form 2 (if appropriate):

t form 1 transitional to form 2
a form 1 and form 2 both occur
f form 1 falls apart into form 2

Table 3. Types and classes of soil structure (FAO, 1977)

TYPES AND CLASSES OF SOIL STRUCTURE									
Type (Shape and Arrangement of Peds)									
Class	Platelike with one dimension (the vertical) limited and greatly less than the other two; arranged around a horizontal plane; faces mostly horizontal	Prislmlike with two dimensions (the horizontal) limited and considerably less than the vertical; arranged around a vertical line; vertical faces well defined; vertices angular.		Blocklike; polyhedronlike, or spheroidal, with three dimensions of the same order of magnitude, arranged around a point.		Blocklike; blocks or polyhedrons having plane or curved surfaces which have slight or no accommodation to the faces of surrounding peds		Spheroids or polyhedrons having plane or curved surfaces which have slight or no accommodation to the faces of surrounding peds	
		Without rounded caps	With rounded caps	Faces flattened; most vertices sharply angular	Mixed rounded and flattened faces with many rounded vertices	Relatively non-porous peds	Porous peds	Relatively non-porous peds	Porous peds
	Platy	Prismatic	Columnar	(Angular) Blocky	Subangular Blocky	Granular	Crumb		
Very fine or very thin	Very thin platy; 1mm	Very fine prismatic; 10mm	Very fine columnar; 10mm	Very fine angular blocky 5mm	Very fine subangular blocky 5mm	Very fine granular; 1mm	Very fine crumb; 1mm		
Fine or thin	Thin platy; 1 to 2mm	Fine prismatic 10 to 20mm	Fine columnar; 10 to 20mm	Fine angular blocky; 5 to 10mm	Fine subangular blocky; 5 to 10mm	Fine granular; 1 to 2mm	Fine crumb; 1 to 2mm		
Medium	Medium platy; 2 to 10	Medium prismatic; 20 to 50mm	Medium columnar; 20 to 50mm	Medium angular; 10 to 20mm	Medium subangular; blocky; 10 to 20mm	Medium granular; 2 to 5mm	Medium crumb 2 to 5mm		
Coarse or thick	Thick platy; 5 to 10mm	coarse prismatic; 50 to 100mm	Coarse columnar; 50 to 100mm	Coarse angular blocky; 20 to 50mm	Coarse subangular blocky; 20 to 50mm	Coarse granular; 5 to 10mm			
Very coarse or very thick	Very thick platy; 10mm	Very coarse prismatic; > 100mm	Very coarse columnar; >100mm	Very coarse angular blocky > 50mm	Very coarse subangular blocky; > 50mm	Very coarse granular > 10mm			

CONSISTENCE

Consistence.(FAO,1977)

Consistence when dry:

lo loose : noncoherent

so soft : soil mass is very weakly coherent and friable;
 breaks to powder or to individual grains under
 very slight pressure

sh slightly: weakly resistant to pressure; easily broken
 hard between thumb and forefinger

ha hard : moderately resistant to pressure; can be
 broken in the hands without difficulty but is
 barely breakable between thumb and forefinger

vh very very resistant to pressure; can be broken in
 hard the hands only with difficulty; not breakable
 between thumb and forefinger

eh extremely: extremely resistant to pressure, can not be
 hard broken in the hands

Consistence when moist:

lo loose : noncoherent

vf very soil material crushes easily under very gentle
 friable : pressure, but coheres when pressed together

fr friable : soil material crushes easily under gentle to
 moderate pressure between thumb and forefinger

fi firm : soil material crushes under moderate pressure
 between thumb and forefinger, but resistance
 is distinctly noticeable

vi very firm: soil material crushes under strong pressure,
 barely crushable between thumb and forefinger

ef extremely soil material crushes only under very strong
 firm : pressure; cannot be crushed between thumb and
 forefinger

Consistence when wet:

a) Stickiness:

ns nonsticky: after release of pressure, practically no soil
 material adheres to thumb or finger

ss slightly after pressure, soil material adheres to both
 sticky : finger and thumb but comes off one or the
 other rather cleanly. It is not appreciably
 stretched when the digits are separated

st sticky : after pressure, soil material adheres to both
 thumb and finger and tends to stretch somewhat
 and pull apart rather than pulling free from
 either digit

vs *very sticky* : after pressure, soil material adheres strongly to both forefinger and thumb and is decidedly stretched when they are separated

b) Plasticity:

np *non plastic* : no wire is formable

sp *slightly plastic*: wire formable but soil mass easily deformable.

pl *plastic* : wire formable and much pressure required for deformation of the soil mass

vp *very plastic* : wire formable and much pressure required for deformation of the soil mass

Other (after USDA,1985):

ws *weakly smeary*: under moderate strong force between thumb and forefinger the soil changes suddenly to fluid, the fingers skid and the soil smears, little or no free water remains on fingers

ms *moderately smeary*: under moderate force between thumb and forefinger the soil changes suddenly to fluid, the fingers skid and the soil smears, some free water remains on fingers

ss *strongly smeary*: under slight force between thumb and forefinger the soil suddenly changes to fluid, the fingers skid and the soil smears, free water is easily seen on fingers.

Sf *slightly fluid*: when a specimen is squeezed in the hand some material tends to flow between the fingers, but after full pressure is applied most of the residue is left in the hand

vf *very fluid*: when a specimen is squeezed in the hand, soil material easily flows between the fingers and after full pressure is applied little or no residue is left in the hand.

ROOTS

There is space for two types of roots, if more space is required use descriptive part.

Quantity (CANSIS,1982):

- ∅ nil, positive statement
- f few :very fine/fine roots 1-10/dm³
medium/coarse roots 1/dm³
- c common :very fine/fine roots 10-100/dm³
medium roots 1-10/dm³
coarse roots 1-5/dm³
- m many :very fine/fine roots >100/dm³
medium roots > 10/dm³
coarse roots > 5/dm³

Size:

- v very fine: diameter < 1mm
- f fine : 1-2 mm
- m medium : 2-5 mm
- c coarse: > 5 mm
- x all,very fine to coarse

Location (USDA,1981):

- c in cracks
- m in mat at top of horizon
- p between peds
- s matted around stones or gravel
- t throughout

CaCO₃

The content of calcium carbonate (tested with 10% hydrochloric acid). The reaction to acid can be expected to be more vigorous in sandy material than in fine textured material having the same carbonate content.

Agent:

- h HCl 10%
- u HCl (unspecified strength)

Class:

- ∅ non calcareous : no visible reaction
- s slightly calcareous: slight reaction; scarcely visible, but detectable to ear
- r calcareous: strong reaction; bubbles in simple layer
- v strongly calcareous: violent reaction; foamy, bubbles in many layers

Location:

- t throughout
- s on ped faces
- l locally
- n on nodules
- c in channels and holes

pH

Enter field determined pH and indicate the method used in the general descriptive part.

Location:

<i>pe</i> ped faces (unspec)	<i>hp</i> horizontal ped faces
<i>vp</i> vertical ped faces	<i>zp</i> hor/vert ped faces
<i>co</i> top columns	<i>gr</i> grains
<i>up</i> upper surfaces peds	<i>no</i> nodules
	<i>br</i> bridges between sand grains
<i>lp</i> lower surfaces peds	<i>bp</i> bottom plates
<i>th</i> throughout	<i>rc</i> root channels/pores
<i>ro</i> rock fragments	<i>cr</i> cracks

INCLUSIONS

Inclusions of pedogenetic origin. There is space for two entries (FAO,1986).

Quantity:

\emptyset none	<i>q</i> frequent : 15-40 %
<i>v</i> very few: < 5% by volume	<i>r</i> very frequent: 40-80 %
<i>f</i> few : 5-15%	<i>d</i> dominant : > 80 %

Type:

<i>c</i> concretions	<i>t</i> crystals
<i>n</i> nodules	<i>s</i> soft segregations
<i>p</i> pedodes*	<i>u</i> unspecified

Size:

<i>p</i> powdery	<i>m</i> medium: 2-10 mm
<i>s</i> small: < 2 mm	<i>l</i> large : > 10 mm

Hardness:

s soft
h hard

Shape:

<i>s</i> spherical	<i>t</i> thread like
<i>i</i> irregular	<i>d</i> dendritic
<i>a</i> angular	<i>c</i> cylindrical

Composition:

<i>k</i> calcareous	<i>f</i> ferrigenous
<i>c</i> argilleous	<i>m</i> mangiferous
<i>g</i> gypsiferous	<i>z</i> saline
<i>q</i> siliceous	<i>u</i> unspecified

ROCK

Rock and primary mineral fragments. There is space for two entries.

Quantity:

\emptyset none	<i>q</i> frequent : 15-40 %
<i>v</i> very few: < 5% by volume	<i>r</i> very frequent: 40-80 %
<i>f</i> few : 5-15%	<i>d</i> dominant : > 80 %

Size:

<i>v</i> very fine: < 2mm	<i>c</i> coarse : 7.5-12 cm
<i>f</i> fine : 2mm - 1 cm	<i>a</i> very coarse: 12-25 cm
<i>m</i> medium : 1 - 7.5 cm	<i>e</i> extremely coarse:>25cm

Degree of weathering:

- f* fresh
- w* (slightly) weathered
- s* strongly weathered

Nature/composition: descriptive up to 15 characters. If more space is required use general descriptive part.

PANS

This item includes compact and hardened uncemented as well as indurated horizons. There is space for one entry only. If more space is required use general descriptive part (FAO,1986)

Kind:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <i>p</i> plough pan | <i>f</i> fragipan |
| <i>k</i> petrocalcic | <i>i</i> iron pan (other than indurated plinthite) |
| <i>l</i> iron stone(indurated plinthite) | <i>d</i> duripan |
| <i>y</i> gypsum pan | <i>s</i> salt pan |
| <i>x</i> other, explain in descriptive part | |

Cementation: (Day(ed), 1983; USDA/SCS, 1981; FAO, 1986)

- \emptyset non cemented
- w* weakly cemented: the wet cemented soil is brittle and hard but can be broken by hands
- s* strongly cemented: the wet cemented soil is too hard to be broken by hands, but it is easily broken with a hammer
- i* indurated: the wet cemented soil is brittle and so strongly cemented that a sharp blow of a hammer is required to break it

Continuity:

- c* continuous
- d* discontinuous
- b* broken

Structure:

- | | |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| <i>m</i> massive | <i>p</i> pisolitic |
| <i>v</i> vesicular | <i>n</i> nodular |
| <i>l</i> platy | |

BIOLOGICAL
ACTIVITY
(BIOL.ACT.)

Biological activity: There is space for two major types. If more space is required use general descriptive part.

Abundance:

- | | |
|-----------------|------------------------|
| \emptyset nil | <i>q</i> frequent |
| <i>f</i> few | <i>r</i> very frequent |

Kind:

- | | |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| <i>m</i> mounds | <i>s</i> shells |
| <i>k</i> krotovinas | <i>p</i> coprogenic elements |
| <i>w</i> worm channels | <i>r</i> termite channels |
| <i>y</i> mycelium | <i>a</i> mammal channels |
| <i>c</i> sclerotium | <i>x</i> channels, unspecified |
| <i>t</i> pedotubules (unspecified) | explain in descriptive part |

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APPENDIX A. Glossary

Parent material

- Colluvium:** Loose, incoherent deposits that are replaced principally by gravity and accumulated at the foot of slopes or cliffs.
- Slope wash:** Soil and rock material that has been transported down a slope predominantly by unchanneled running water (sheet erosion).
- Glacial outwash:** Sand and gravel transported away from a glacier by streams of melting water and either deposited as a floodplain along a pre-existing valley bottom or broadcast over a pre-existing plain in a form similar to an alluvial fan.
- Glacial drift:** All stratified deposits predominantly of glacial origin made in bodies of glacial melting water or in the sea.
- Glacial till:** Unsorted and unstratified drift consisting of a heterogeneous mixture of clay, sand, gravel and boulders which is deposited by and underneath a glacier. Also known as boulder clay, till, ice-laid drift.

Parent rock

- Arkosic sandstone:** A sandstone in which much feldspar is present, ranging from products of granular desintegration of granite to partly sorted riverlaid or even marine deposits.
- Graywacke:** An argillaceous sandstone characterized by an abundance of unstable minerals and rock fragments and a fine grained clay matrix binding the larger particles.
- Ash:** Unconsolidated pyroclasts, grainsize < 2mm.
- Lapilli:** Unconsolidated pyroclasts, grainsize 2 - 64 mm.
- Volcanic bombs:** Unconsolidated pyroclasts, grainsize > 64 mm.
- Tuff:** Consolidated equivalent of ash.
- Volcanic breccia:** Consolidated rock composed predominantly of angular volcanic particles over 2 mm.
- Pumice:** White or pale grey to brown highly vesicular volcanic rock, silicic to mafic glass foam which will commonly float on water.
- Scoria:** Usually of mafic composition, highly inflated juvenile fragments, of volcanic origin having a much higher density than pumice (they readily sink in water).

Landform

- Inselberg:** A large steep-sided residual hill, knob, or mountain, generally rocky and bare, rising abruptly from an extensive, nearly lowland erosion surface in arid or semiarid regions.
- Badlands:** Extremely rough, high, narrowly and steeply gullied topography in arid or semiarid areas that are horizontally bedded and have dry, loose soil.
- Pediment:** A piedmont surface formed from a combination of processes which are mainly erosional; the surface is chiefly bare rock but may have a veneer of alluvium or gravel.
- Pediplain:** A rock-cut erosion surface formed by the coalescence of two or more pediments.
- Peneplain:** Landsurface of low elevation and slight relief produced in the late stages of denudation of a landmass.

Stagnant alluvial plain: Alluvial plain on which erosion and aggradation by channelled and over-bank stream flow is barely active or inactive because of reduced water supply, without apparent incision or channel enlargement that would lower the level of stream action.

Playa: A low, essentially flat part of a basin or other undrained area in an arid region.

Kame: Hill composed of sorted coarse water-laid glacial drift, largely sand and gravel, built into an impounded water body within stagnant ice or against the margin of an ice sheet.

Hydrology

Perched water table: The water table of a saturated layer of soil which is separated from an underlying saturated layer by an unsaturated layer (vadose water)

Inclusions

Pedode: A spheroidal, discrete glaebule with a hollow interior, often with a drusy lining of crystals like that of a geode.

APPENDIX B 1. Country codes

AFG	AFGHANISTAN	GCA	GUATEMALA	PY	PARAQUAY
AL	ALBANIA	GBG	GUERNSEY	PE	PERU
GBA	ALDERNEY	BRG	GUYANA	PHI	PHILIPPINES
DZ	ALGERIA	GUY	GUYANA (FRENCH)	PL	POLAND
AND	ANDORRA	RH	HAITI	PR	PORTO RICO
AN	ANGOLA	HO	HONDURAS	P	PORTUGAL
RA	ARGENTINA	HK	HONG KONG	R	RUMENIA
AUS	AUSTRALIA	H	HUNGARY	RWA	RWANDA
A	AUSTRIA	IS	ICELAND	CNB	SABAH, LABUAN
BS	BAHAMAS	IND	INDIA	RSM	SAN MARINO
BRN	BAHREIN	INS	INDONESIA	SK	SARAWAK
BD	BANGLADESH	IR	IRAN	AS	SAUDI ARABIA
BDS	BARBADOS	IRQ	IRAQ	SN	SENEGAL
B	BELGIUM	IRL	IRELAND	SY	SEYCHELLES
BH	BELIZE	GBM	ISLE OF MAN	WAL	SIERRA LEONE
RPB	BENIN	IL	ISRAEL	SGP	SINGAPORE
BM	BERMUDA	I	ITALY	SP	SOMALIA
BOL	BOLIVIA	CI	IVORY COAST	ZA	SOUTH AFRICA
RB	BOTSWANA	JA	JAMAICA	ROK	SOUTH KOREA
BRA	BRAZIL	J	JAPAN	ADN	SOUTH YEMEN
BRU	BRUNEI	GBJ	JERSEY	SU	SOVIET UNION
BG	BULGARIA	HKJ	JORDAN	E	SPAIN
BKF	BURKINA FASO	K	KAMPUCHEA	CL	SRI LANKA
BUR	BURMA	EAK	KENYA	WV	ST. VINCENT
RU	BURUNDI	KWT	KUWAIT	WL	ST. LUCIA
CAM	CAMEROON	LAO	LAOS	SUD	SUDAN
CDN	CANADA	LS	LESOTHO	SME	SURINAM
RCA	CENTRAL AFRICAN REP.	RL	LEBANON	SD	SWAZILAND
RCH	CHILE	LB	LIBERIA	S	SWEDEN
CHA	CHINA PEOPLES REP.	LAR	LIBYA	CH	SWITZERLAND
CO	COLOMBIA	FL	LIECHTENSTEIN	SYR	SYRIA
RCB	CONGO	L	LUXEMBURG	RC	TAIWAN
CR	COSTA RICA	RM	MALAGASY	EAT	TANZANIA
C	CUBA	MW	MALAWI	T	THAILAND
CY	CYPRUS	MAL	MALAYSIA	TG	TOGO
CS	CZECHOSLOVAKIA	MLI	MALI	IT	TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
DK	DENMARK	M	MALTA	TN	TUNESIA
WD	DOMINICA	MA	MAROCCO	TR	TURKEY
DOM	DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	RIM	MAURETANIA	EAU	UGANDA
EC	ECUADOR	MS	MAURITIUS	GB	UNITED KINGDOM
ET	EGYPT	MEX	MEXICO	USA	UNITED STATES
ES	EL SALVADOR	MOC	MOZAMBIQUE	UY	URUGUAY
ETH	ETHIOPIA	MC	MONACO	YV	VENEZUELA
FR	FAROER	SWA	NAMIBIA	VN	VIETNAM
D	FED. REP. OF GERMANY	NL	NETHERLANDS	WS	WEST SAMOA
FJI	FIJI	NA	NETHERLANDS ANTILLES	YAR	YEMEN ARAB REPUBLIC
SF	FINLAND	NZ	NEW ZEALAND	YU	YUGOSLAVIA
F	FRANCE	NIC	NIGARAGUA	ZRE	ZAIRE
GBN	GABON	RN	NIGER	Z	ZAMBIA
WAG	GAMBIA	WAN	NIGERIA	EAZ	ZANZIBAR (TANZANIA)
DDR	GERMAN DEM. REP	KO	NORTH KOREA	ZW	ZIMBABWE
GH	GHANA	N	NORWAY		
GBZ	GIBRALTAR	OMA	OMAN		
GR	GREECE	PAK	PAKISTAN	GMC	GLINKA MEMORIAL
GRO	GREENLAND (DENMARK)	PA	PANAMA		COLLECTION (USSR)
WG	GRENADA	PNG	PAPUA NEW GUINEA		

APPENDIX B2. FAO/UNESCO classification codes

A	ACRISOLS	I	LITHOSOL	R	REGOSOLS
Af	ferric acrisol	I	lithosol	Rc	calcaric regosol
Ag	gleyic acrisol	J	FLUVISOLS	Rd	dystric regosol
Ah	humic acrisol	Jc	calcaric fluvisol	Re	eutric regosol
Ao	orthic acrisol	Jd	dystric fluvisol	Rx	gelic regosol
Ap	plinthic acrisol	Je	eutric fluvisol	S	SOLONETZ
B	CAMBISOLS	Jt	thionic fluvisol	Sg	gleyic solonetz
Bc	chromic cambisol	K	KASTANOZEM	Sm	mollic solonetz
Bd	dystric cambisol	Kh	haplic kastanozem	So	orthic solonetz
Be	eutric cambisol	Kk	calcic kastanozem	T	ANDOSOLS
Bf	ferralic cambisol	Kl	luvic kastanozem	Th	humic andosol
Bg	gleyic cambisol	L	LUVISOLS	Tm	mollic andosol
Bh	humic cambisol	La	albic luvisol	To	ochric andosol
Bk	calcic cambisol	Lc	chromic luvisol	Tv	vitric andosol
Bv	vertic cambisol	Lf	ferric luvisol	U	RANKERS
Bx	gelic cambisol	Lg	gleyic luvisol	U	ranker
C	CHERNOZEMS	Lk	calcic luvisol	V	VERTISOLS
Cg	glossic chernozem	Lo	orthic luvisol	Vc	chromic vertisol
Ch	haplic chernozem	Lp	plinthic luvisol	Vp	pellic vertisol
Ck	calcic chernozem	Lv	vertic luvisol	W	PLANOSOLS
Cl	luvic chernozem	M	GREYZEMS	Wd	dystric planosol
D	PODZOLUVISOLS	Mg	gleyic greyzem	We	eutric planosol
Dd	dystric podzoluvisol	Mo	orthic greyzem	Wh	humic planosol
De	eutric podzoluvisol	N	NITOSOLS	Wm	mollic planosol
Dg	gleyic podzoluvisol	Nd	dystric nitosol	Ws	solodic planosol
E	RENDZINAS	Ne	eutric nitosol	Wx	gelic planosol
E	rendzina	Nh	humic nitosol	X	XEROSOLS
F	FERRALSOLS	O	HISTOSOLS	Xh	haplic xerosol
Fa	acric ferralsol	Od	dystric histosol	Xk	calcic xerosol
Fh	humic ferralsol	Oe	eutric histosol	Xl	luvic xerosol
Fo	orthic ferralsol	Ox	gelic histosol	Xy	gypsic xerosol
Fp	plinthic ferralsol	P	PODZOLS	Y	YERMOSOLS
Fr	rhodic ferralsol	Pf	ferric podzol	Yh	haplic yermosol
Fx	xanthic ferralsol	Pg	gleyic podzol	Yk	calcic yermosol
G	GLEYSOLS	Ph	humic podzol	Yl	luvic yermosol
Gc	calcaric gleysol	Pl	leptic podzol	Yt	takyric yermosol
Gd	dystric gleysol	Po	orthic podzol	Yy	gypsic yermosol
Ge	eutric gleysol	Pp	placic podzol	Z	SOLONCHAKS
Gh	humic gleysol	Q	ARENOSOLS	Zg	gleyic solonchak
Gm	mollic gleysol	Qa	albic arenosol	Zm	mollic solonchak
Gp	plinthic gleysol	Qc	cambic arenosol	Zo	orthic solonchak
Gx	gelic gleysol	Qf	ferralic arenosol	Zt	takyric solonchak
H	PHAEOZEM	Ql	luvic arenosol		
Hc	calcaric phaeozem				
Hg	gleyic phaeozem				
Hh	haplic phaeozem				
Hl	luvic phaeozem				

APPENDIX B3. Soil Taxonomy (USDA/SCS) classification codes. Orders, suborders and great groups.

a	ALFISOL	dob	paleorthid	heo	sulfohemist
aq	aqualf	dos	salorthid	het	tropohemist
aqw	albaqualf			ha	saprist
aqd	duraqualf	e	ENTISOL	har	borosaprist
aqf	fragiaqualf	eq	aquent	hac	cryosaprist
aqg	glossaqualf	eqc	cryaquent	ham	medisaprist
aqn	natraqualf	eqv	fluvaquent	hat	troposaprist
aqo	ochraqualf	eqa	haplaquent		
aq1	plinthaqualf	eqw	hydraquent	i	INCEPTISOL
aqt	tropaqualf	eqs	psammaquent	in	andept
aqm	umbraqualf	eqi	sulfaquent	inc	cryandept
ab	boralf	eqt	tropaquent	ind	durandept
abo	cryoboralf	er	arent	iny	dystrandept
abe	eutroboralf	er	arent	ine	eutrandept
abf	fragiboralf	ev	fluvent	inw	hydrandept
abg	glossoboralf	evc	cryofluvent	inp	placandept
abn	natriboralf	evp	torrifluvent	inv	vitrandept
abb	paleboralf	evt	tropofluvent	iq	aquept
ad	udalf	evd	udifluvent	iqn	andaquept
adc	agrudalf	evu	ustifluvent	iqc	cryaquept
adi	ferrudalf	evx	xerofluvent	iqf	fragiaquept
adf	fragiudalf	eo	orthent	iqx	halaquept
agf	fraglossudalf	eoc	cryorthent	iqu	haplaquept
adg	glossudalf	eop	torriorthent	iqh	humaquept
ada	hapludalf	eot	troporthent	iqp	placaquept
adn	natrudalf	eod	udorthent	iq1	plinthaquept
adb	paleudalf	eou	ustorthent	iqs	sulfaquept
adt	tropudalf	eox	xerorthent	iqt	tropaquept
au	ustalf	es	psamment	io	ochrept
aud	durustalf	esc	cryopsamment	ioc	cryochrept
aua	haplustalf	esz	quartzipsamment	iod	durochrept
aun	natrustalf	esp	torripsamment	ioy	dystrochrept
aub	paleustalf	est	tropopsamment	ioe	eutrochrept
aul	plinthustalf	esd	udipsamment	iof	fragiochrept
aur	rhodustalf	esu	ustipsamment	iou	ustochrept
ax	xeralf	esx	xeropsamment	iox	xerochrept
axd	durixeralf			ig	plaggept
axa	haploxeralf	h	HISTOSOL	ig	plaggept
axn	natrixeralf	hi	fibrist	it	tropept
axb	palexeralf	hib	borofibrist	ity	dystropept
ax1	plinthoxeralf	hic	cryofibrist	ite	eutropept
axr	rhodoxeralf	hil	luvifibrist	ith	humitropept
		him	medifibrist	its	sombritropept
d	ARIDISOL	his	sphagnofibrist	itu	ustropept
dr	argid	hit	tropofibrist	im	umbrept
drd	durargid	hl	folist	imc	cryumbrept
dra	haplargid	h1b	borofolist	imf	fragiumbrept
drj	nadurargid	h1c	cryofolist	ima	haplumbrept
drn	natrargid	h1t	tropofolist	imx	xerumbrept
drb	paleargid	he	hemist		
do	orthid	heb	borohemist	m	MOLLISOL
dok	calciorthid	hec	cryohemist	mw	alboll
dom	camborthid	hel	luvihemist	mwr	argialboll
dod	durorthid	hem	medihemist	mwn	natralboll
dog	gypsiorthid	hei	sulfihemist	mq	aquoll

mqr	argiaquoll	oh	humox	u	ULTISOL
mqq	calciaquoll	ohk	acrohumox	uq	aquult
mqc	cryaquoll	ohg	gibbsihumox	uqw	albaquult
mqd	duraquoll	oha	haplohumox	uqf	fragiaquult
mqa	haplaquoll	ohs	sombrihumox	uqo	ochraquult
mqn	natraquoll	oo	orthox	uqb	paleaquult
mb	boroll	ook	acrorthox	uql	plinthaquult
mbr	argiboroll	ooe	eutrorthox	uqt	tropaquult
mbk	calciboroll	oog	gibbsiorthox	uqm	umbraquult
mbc	cryoboroll	ooa	haplorthox	uh	humult
mba	haploboroll	oos	sombriorthox	uha	haplohumult
mbn	natriboroll	oom	umbriorthox	uhb	palehumult
mbb	paleboroll	op	torrox	uhl	plinthohumult
mbv	vermiboroll	op	torrox	uhs	sombrihumult
mr	rendoll	ou	ustox	uht	tropohumult
mr	rendoll	ouk	acrustox	ud	udult
md	udoll	oue	eutrustox	udf	fragiudult
mdr	argiudoll	oua	haplustox	uda	hapludult
mda	hapludoll	ous	sombriustox	udb	paleudult
mdb	paleudoll	s	SPODOSOL	udl	plinthudult
mdv	vermudoll	sq	aquod	udr	rhodudult
mu	ustoll	sqc	cryaquod	udt	tropudult
mur	argiustoll	sqd	duraquod	uu	ustult
muk	calciustoll	sqf	fragiaquod	uua	haplustult
mud	durustoll	sqa	haplaquod	uub	paleustult
mua	haplustoll	sqp	placaquod	uul	plinthustult
mun	natrustoll	sqs	sideraquod	uur	rhodustult
mub	paleustoll	sqt	tropaquod	ux	xerult
muv	vermustoll	si	ferrod	uxa	haploxerult
mx	xeroll	si	ferrod	uxb	palexerult
mrx	argixeroll	sh	humod	v	VERTISOL
mxk	calcixeroll	shc	cryohumod	vp	torrert
mxd	durixeroll	shf	fragihumod	vp	torrert
mxs	haploxeroll	sha	haplohumod	vd	udert
mxn	natriixeroll	shp	placohumod	vdr	chromudert
mxb	palexeroll	sht	tropohumod	vdl	pelludert
o	OXISOL	so	orthod	vu	ustert
oq	aquox	soc	cryorthod	vur	chromustert
oqg	gibbsiaquox	sof	fragiorthod	vul	pellustert
oqo	ochraquox	soa	haplorthod	vx	xerert
oql	plinthaquox	sop	placorthod	vxr	chromoxerert
oqm	umbraquox	sot	troporthod	vxl	pelloxerert

Subgroup prefixes

AB	abruptic	AE1Ø	aeric umbric
ABØ4	abruptic aridic	AE12	aeric xeric
ABØ8	abruptic cryic	AL	albaquic
AB1Ø	abruptic haplic	ALØ2	albaquultic
AB14	abruptic udic	ALØ4	albic
AB16	abruptic xerollic	ALØ8	albic glossic
AE	aeric	AL1Ø	alfic
AEØ3	aeric arenic	AL12	alfic arenic
AEØ5	aeric grossarenic	AL13	alfic andeptic
AEØ6	aeric mollic	AL16	alfic lithic
AEØ8	aeric humic	AN	andic
AEØ9	aeric tropic	ANØ1	andeptic

ANØ3	andaquic	CUØ2	cumulic udic
ANØ6	andic dystric	CUØ4	cumulic ultic
AN11	andeptic glossoboric	DU	durargidic
AN22	andic ustic	DUØ2	duric
AN24	andaqueptic	DUØ8	durixerollic
AN3Ø	anthropic	DU1Ø	durixerollic lithic
AQ	aqualfic	DU11	durochreptic
AQØ2	aquentic	DU12	durorthidic
AQØ4	aqueptic	DU14	durorthidic xeric
AQØ6	aquic	DYØ2	dystric
AQØ8	aquic arenic	DYØ3	dystric entic
AQ14	aquic duric	DYØ4	dystric fluventic
AQ16	aquic durorthidic	DYØ6	dystric lithic
AQ18	aquic dystric	DYØ8	dystropeptic
AQ24	aquic haplic	EN	entic
AQ26	aquic lithic	ENØ2	entic lithic
AQ31	aquic psammentic	ENØ6	entic ultic
AQ34	aquollic	EP	epiaquic
AQ36	aquultic	EP1Ø	epiaquic orthoxic
AR	arenic	EU	eutric
ARØ2	arenic aridic	EUØ2	eutrochreptic
ARØ3	arenic orthoxic	EUØ4	eutropeptic
ARØ4	arenic plinthaquic	FE	ferrudalfic
ARØ6	arenic plinthic	FI	fibric
ARØ8	arenic rhodic	FIØ2	fibric terric
AR1Ø	arenic ultic	FLØ2	fluvaquentic
AR14	arenic umbric	FLØ6	fluventic
AR16	arenic ustalfic	FL12	fluventic umbric
AR18	arenic ustollic	FR1Ø	fragiaquic
AR22	argiaquic	FR18	fragic
AR24	argiaquic xeric	GLØ2	glossaquic
AR26	argic	GLØ4	glossic
AR28	argic lithic	GL1Ø	glossic udic
AR3Ø	argic pachic	GL12	glossic ustollic
AR32	argic vertic	GL14	glossoboralfic
AR34	aridic	GL16	glossoboric
AR36	aridic calcic	GR	grossarenic
AR42	aridic duric	GRØ1	grossarenic entic
AR5Ø	aridic pachic	GRØ4	grossarenic plinthic
AR52	aridic petrocalcic	HA	haplaquodic
BO	boralfic	HAØ1	haplaquic
BOØ2	boralfic lithic	HAØ2	haplic
BOØ4	boralfic udic	HAØ5	haplohumic
BOØ6	borollic	HAØ7	haploxerollic
BOØ8	borollic glossic	HAØ9	hapludic
BO1Ø	borollic lithic	HA12	hapludollic
BO12	borollic vertic	HA16	haplustollic
CA	calcic	HE	hemic
CAØ4	calcic pachic	HEØ2	hemic terric
CAØ6	calciorthidic	HI	histic
CA1Ø	calcixerollic	HIØ2	histic lithic
CA2Ø	cambic	HIØ6	histic pergelic
CH	chromic	HU	humic
CHØ6	chromudic	HUØ2	humic lithic
CR	cryic	HUØ5	humic pergelic
CR1Ø	cryic lithic	HUØ6	humoxic
CR14	cryic pachic	HU1Ø	humaqueptic
CU	cumulic	HY	hydric

HY02	hydric lithic	RU17	ruptic-ultic
LE	leptic	RU19	ruptic-vertic
LI	limnic	SA	salorthidic
LI02	lithic	SA02	sapric
LI04	lithic mollic	SA04	sapric terric
LI06	lithic ruptic-alfic	SI	sideric
LI07	lithic ruptic-argic	SO04	sombrihumic
LI08	lithic ruptic-entic xerollic	SP	sphagnic
LI09	lithic ruptic-entic	SP02	sphagnic terric
LI10	lithic udic	SP04	spodic
LI11	lithic ruptic-xerorthentic	SU	sulfic
LI12	lithic ultic	TE	terrific
LI13	lithic ruptic-ultic	TH04	thapto-histic
LI14	lithic umbric	TH06	thapto-histic tropic
LI15	lithic ruptic-xerochreptic	TO	torrertic
LI16	lithic ustic	TO02	torrifluventic
LI18	lithic ustollic	TO04	torriorthentic
LI20	lithic vertic	TO06	torripsammentic
LI22	lithic xeric	TO10	torroxidic
LI24	lithic xerollic	TR	tropaquodic
MO	mollic	TR02	tropeptic
NA06	natric	TR04	tropic
OC	ochreptic	AA	typic
OR	orthidic	UD	udertic
OR01	orthic	UD01	udalfic
OR02	orthoxic	UD02	udic
OX	oxic	UD03	udollic
PA	pachic	UD05	udorthentic
PA02	pachic udic	UD10	udoxic
PA04	pachic ultic	UL	ultic
PA06	paleorthidic	UM	umbreptic
PA08	paleustollic	UM02	umbric
PA10	palexerollic	US	ustalfic
PA20	paralithic vertic	US02	ustertic
PE	pergelic	US04	ustic
PE01	pergelic ruptic-histic	US06	ustochreptic
PE02	pergelic sideric	US08	ustollic
PE04	petrocalcic	US12	ustoxic
PE06	petrocalcic ustalfic	VE	vermic
PE08	petrocalcic ustollic	VE02	vertic
PE14	petrocalcic xerollic	XE	xeralfic
PE16	petroferric	XE02	xerertic
PE20	petrogypsic	XE04	xeric
PK	placic	XE08	xerollic
PK10	plaggeptic		
PK12	plaggic		
PL	plinthaquic		
PL04	plinthic		
PL06	plinthudic		
PS	psammaquentic		
PS02	psammentic		
QU	quartzipsammentic		
RE	rendollic		
RH	rhodic		
RU02	ruptic-alfic		
RU09	ruptic-lithic		
RU11	ruptic-lithic entic		
RU15	ruptic-lithic xerochreptic		

APPENDIX B4. Soil Taxonomy(USDA/SCS) classification codes. Texture and mineralogy.

Texture

005 ashy
 007 ashy over cindery
 008 ashy over loamy
 013 ashy over loamy-skeletal
 009 ashy-skeletal
 003 cindery
 006 cindery over loamy
 017 cindery over medial
 015 cindery over medial-skeletal
 004 cindery over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 114 clayey
 122 clayey over fine-silty
 116 clayey over fragmental
 124 clayey over loamy
 120 clayey over loamy-skeletal
 118 clayey over sandy or sandy-skel.
 056 clayey-skeletal
 058 clayey-skeletal over sandy
 080 coarse-loamy
 086 coarse-loamy over clayey
 082 coarse-loamy over fragmental
 084 coarse-loamy over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 088 coarse-silty
 094 coarse-silty over clayey
 092 coarse-silty over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 126 fine
 115 fine clayey
 096 fine-loamy
 102 fine-loamy over clayey
 098 fine-loamy over fragmental
 100 fine-loamy over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 106 fine-silty
 112 fine-silty over clayey
 108 fine-silty over fragmental
 110 fine silty over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 036 fragmental
 150 gravelly
 068 loamy
 072 loamy over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 050 loamy skeletal
 054 loamy-skeletal over clayey
 051 loamy-skeletal over fragmental
 052 loamy-skeletal over sandy
 070 loamy sandy
 065 loamy to sandy
 010 medial
 012 medial over cindery

014 medial over clayey
 016 medial over fragmental
 018 medial over loamy
 020 medial over loamy-skeletal
 022 medial over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 024 medial over thixotropic
 011 medial-skeletal
 062 sandy
 063 sandy or sandy-skeletal
 066 sandy over clayey
 064 sandy over loamy
 044 sandy skeletal
 047 sandy-skeletal over clayey
 046 sandy-skeletal over loamy
 026 thixotropic
 028 thixotropic over fragmental
 034 thixotropic over loamy
 032 thixotropic over loamy skeletal
 030 thixotropic over sandy or sandy-skeletal
 027 thixotropic-skeletal
 134 very fine

Mineralogy

04 calcareous
 05 carbonatic
 09 chloritic
 07 clastic
 08 coprogenous
 10 diatomaceous
 12 ferrihumic
 14 ferritic
 18 gibbsitic
 20 glauconitic
 22 gypsic
 24 halloysitic
 26 illitic
 27 illitic (calcareous)
 28 kaolinitic
 30 marly
 32 micaceous
 34 mixed
 35 mixed (calcareous)
 37 montmorillonitic
 38 montmorillonitic(calcareous)
 40 oxidic
 42 sepiolitic
 44 serpentinitic
 46 siliceous
 50 vermiculitic

ISRIC SOIL DESCRIPTION FORM FOR CODED INFORMATION

ISRIC CODE | . . . |

DATE | . . . | COUNTRY | . . . | AUTH. | . . . |

LOCATION | . . . |

LATITUDE | : : ° ' " | LONGITUDE | : : ° ' " | ALTITUDE | . . . |

CLASSIFICATION

FAO: SOIL UNIT | . . . | FINAL CLASS, (Y/N) | . . . | PHASE | . . . |

USDA/SCS: GREAT GROUP | . . . | SUBGROUP | . . . |

TEXTURE | . . . | MINERALOGY | . . . | STR | . . . | SMR | . . . |

DIAGNOSTIC HORIZONS I | . . . | II | . . . | III | . . . |

(OTHER) DIAGNOSTIC CRITERIA I | . . . | II | . . . |

LOCAL CLASS.: | . . . |

CLIMATE

Köppen | . . . |

STATION | . . . | ALTITUDE | . . . |

LATITUDE | : : ° ' " | LONGITUDE | : : ° ' " | DISTANCE | . . . |

DIRECTION | . . . | RELEVANCE | . . . |

DATA KIND:
J
F
M
A
M
J
J
A
S
O
N
D
ANNUAL PERIOD (YEARS)

PARENT MATERIAL / PARENT ROCK

I MODE | . . . | DERIVED FROM | . . . | TEXTURE | . . . | WEATHERING | . . . |
II | . . . | | . . . | | . . . | | . . . |

RESISTANCE I | . . . |
II | . . . | DEPTH | . . . |

REMARKS | . . . |

EFFECTIVE SOIL DEPTH (cm) | . . . |

GEOMORPHOLOGY

ISRIC CODE | . . . |

REGIONAL LANDFORM | . . |

TOPOGRAPHY | |

PHYS. UNIT | |

POSITION OF SITE | |

SLOPE GRADIENT (%) | . . . | FORM | | ASPECT | . . . |

MICRORELIEF, SURFACE CHARACTERISTICS, ALKALI/SALT

KIND | | PATTERN | | HEIGHT (cm) | . . . |

ROCKOUTCROPS | . . | STONINESS | . . | SIZE (cm) | . . . | SHAPE | |

CRACKING | | SLAKING/CRUSTING | | ALKALI | | SALT | |

HYDROLOGY

WATER TABLE: KIND | | DEPTH (cm) | . . . | FLUCTUATION (cm) FROM | . . . |

TO | . . . |

SLOW PERMEABLE LAYER: FROM | . . . | TO | . . . | (cm) PERMEABILITY | |

FLOODING: FREQUENCY | | NATURE | | RUN OFF | | DRAINAGE CLASS | |

MOISTURE CONDITIONS PROFILE (cm): DRY FROM | . . . | TO | . . . |

MOIST FROM | . . . | TO | . . . |

WET FROM | . . . | TO | . . . |

DENUDATION AND AGGRADATION

SOIL EROSION: DEGREE I | | TYPE I | |

II | | TYPE II | | AGGRADATION | | SLOPE STABILITY | |

LAND USE AND VEGETATION

LUT | . . | CROP | . . . | IRRIGATION | | ROTATION | . . |

IMPROVEMENTS | . . | VEGETATION TYPE | . . | STATUS | |

REMARKS: | |

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GENERAL REMARKS ON SITE AND PROFILE: | |

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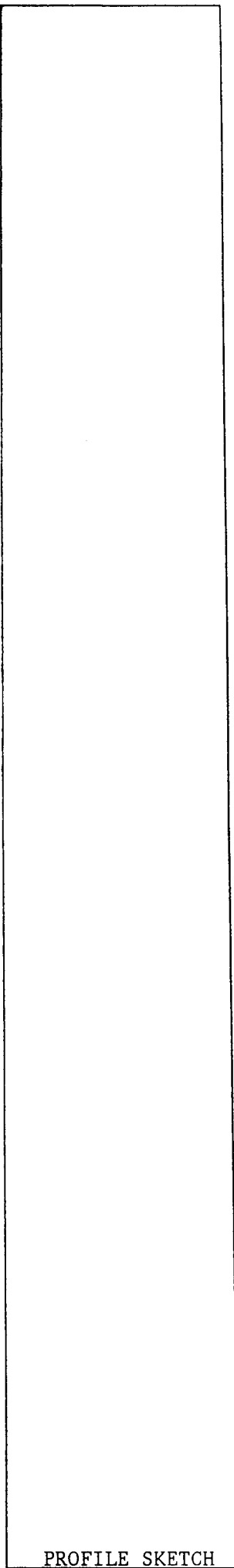
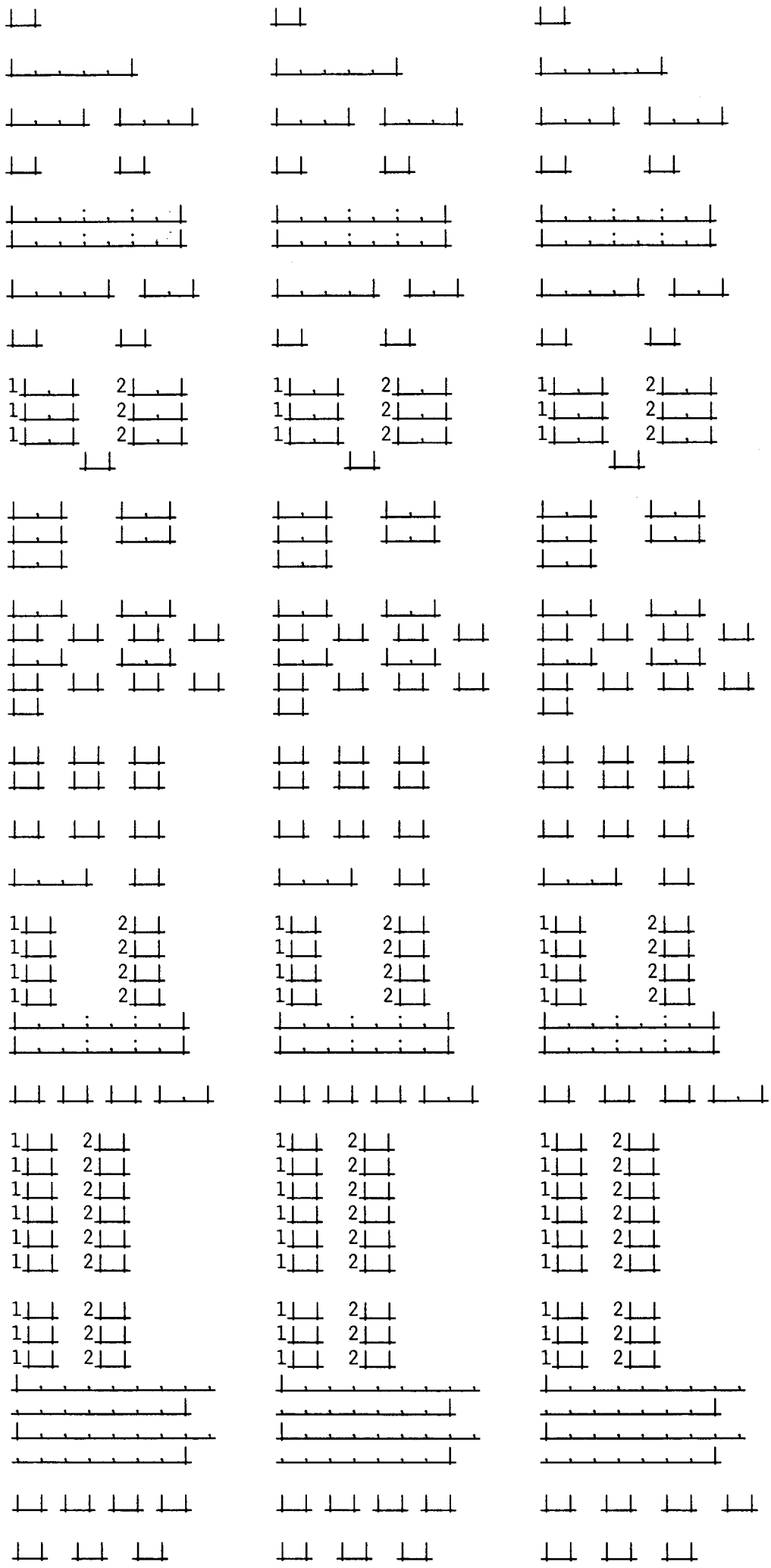
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PROFILE CHARACTERISTICS

ISRIC CODE | | | | | | | | | |

HORIZON NUMBER			
DESIGNATION			
DEPTH up/low			
BOUNDARY wi/to			
COLOUR dry			
moist			
TXT <2mm >2mm			
ORG. MAT. ki/de			
STRUCT 1/2 grade	1 2	1 2	1 2
size	1 2	1 2	1 2
form	1 2	1 2	1 2
form 1->2			
CONSIST. dry/mo			
sti/pla (wet)			
other			
PORES 1 qu/si			
fo/or/co/di			
PORES 2 qu/si			
fo/or/co/di			
TOTAL POROSITY			
ROOTS 1 qu/si/lo			
2 qu/si/lo			
CaCO ₃ ag/cl/lo			
pH value/method			
MOTTLES 1/2 ab	1 2	1 2	1 2
si	1 2	1 2	1 2
co	1 2	1 2	1 2
bo	1 2	1 2	1 2
col 1			
col 2			
CUTANS q/t/k/l			
INCLUSIONS 1/2qu	1 2	1 2	1 2
ty	1 2	1 2	1 2
si	1 2	1 2	1 2
ha	1 2	1 2	1 2
sh	1 2	1 2	1 2
co	1 2	1 2	1 2
ROCK 1/2 qu	1 2	1 2	1 2
si	1 2	1 2	1 2
we	1 2	1 2	1 2
nature 1			
nature 2			
PANS k/ce/co/s			
BIOL.ACT. ab/ki			



PROFILE SKETCH

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