



Soil and Land Suitability Assessment for Irrigated Agriculture

LAND SUITABILITY FOR IRRIGATED ANNUAL ROW CROPS

ALI CURUNG AREA - Map 7 of 9

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LAND SUITABILITY CLASSES

SUITABLE LAND WITH NEGLIGIBLE LIMITATIONS Highly productive land requiring only simple management practices to maintain sustainable production.

SUITABLE LAND WITH MINOR LIMITATIONS Land with minor limitations that either constrain production or require more than the simple management practices of Class 1 land to maintain

sustainable production. SUITABLE LAND WITH MODERATE LIMITATIONS

Land with moderate limitations that further constrain production or require more than the management practices of Class 2 land to maintain sustainable

UNSUITABLE LAND WITH SEVERE LIMITATIONS Currently unsuitable land with severe limitations that preclude successful or sustained use under existing conditions. Future changes in knowledge, economics or technology may alter this.

UNSUITABLE LAND WITH EXTREME LIMITATIONS Land with extreme limitations that preclude any possibility of successful or sustained use, either now or in the future.

ALI CURUNG AREA MAP SERIES

Мар	Map Title	Crop Group	Individual Crops Assessed
1	Land resources of the Ali Curung Area	l N/A I	 N/A
2	 General land capability of the Ali Curung Area	 N/A 	 N/A
3	Land suitability for irrigated field crops	1	Chia, quinoa
4	Land suitability for irrigated hay and forage	 2 	Grass hay (Rhodes grass, panics, sorghum, oats, barley), forage legumes (lucerne, peanut)
5	Land suitability for irrigated evergreen tree crops	 3 	Citrus (lime, lemon, mandarin, orange, grapefruit, tangelo), mango, avocado, lychee
6	Land suitability for irrigated deciduous tree and vine crops	 4 	Fig, pomegranate, low chill stone fruit, table grape
7	Land suitability for irrigated annual row crops	5 	Cucurbit species (watermelon, hami melon, honeydew melon, rockmelon, pumpkin, zucchini, squash) Salad vegetables (lettuce, baby spinach, rocket) Asian greens Summer vegetables (Solanaceae species capsicum, chilli, eggplant, tomato) Sweet corn, beans, snow peas, Brassica species
8	Land suitability for irrigated perennial row crops	6 !	Asparagus
9	 Land suitability for irrigated	1 1 7	l Garlic, onion, potato, sweet potato

Map unit boundaries were derived using satellite imagery in association with digital elevation model, geological and topographic data. Landform, soil and vegetation field assessments conform to national standards and support mapping at a scale of 1:25 000. Final mapping is presented at a scale of 1:100 000.

root crops

When assessing specific areas within the mapping it is recommended a site inspection be undertaken to establish unmapped variation and confirm mapping accuracy on the ground.

This map does not indicate, imply or ascertain the likelihood of groundwater availability or the granting of appropriate water extraction licensing needed to satisfy the irrigation requirements of the potential agricultural development options indicated.

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MAP SECTIONS

