

PASTURE LANDS OF NORTHERN AUSTRALIA

SCALE 1:4 000 000

GENERAL: This map outlines for northern Australia the natural or modified pasture lands in terms of pasture communities, which are indicated by the map colours. Local pasture units (LPUs), which are indicated by the numeric codes, are either the local geographic occurrences of the pasture communities or their subcommunities.

Detailed information on the main floristic elements of each community/LPU is given in Appendix 1 of the accompanying report. These units are also linked through the LPU number to the condition and capability assessment detailed in Table 3.

Both the map information and that relating to the condition and productivity resources are contained in the GIS data base (RIANAP) available from the Meat Research Corporation, P.O. Box A498, Sydney South, NSW 2000.

REPORT: This map accompanies the report: Tothill, J.C. and Gillies, C. 1992. Condition, Productivity and Sustainability of the Pasture Lands of Northern Australia. Meat Research Corporation: Sydney Australia.

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The Atlas of Australian Soils 1:2,000,000 data base was used as a basic unifying concept in the interpretation of the pasture communities throughout the region. Permission to use this data base is gratefully acknowledged to the CSIRO Division of Soils.

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MAPPING: The map scale is accurate to 1:4,000,000 at 12 degrees south Latitude. The map projection is a simple mercator projection.