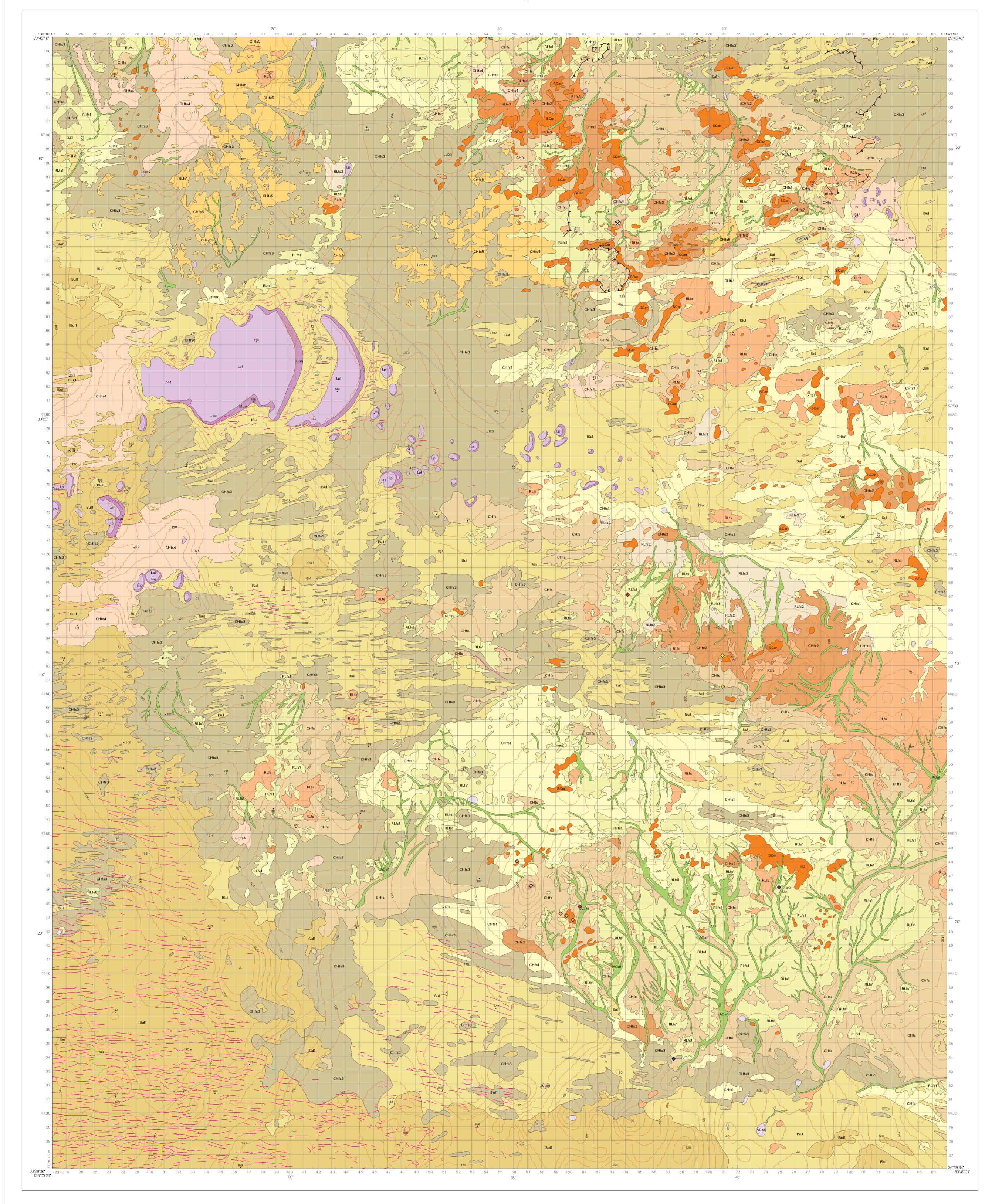
# HALF MOON LAKE Regolith - Landforms





Columnar to lozenge and pod shaped silcrete cobbles enclosing sand textures similar to that of surrounding sandplain (371694E:6688265N).

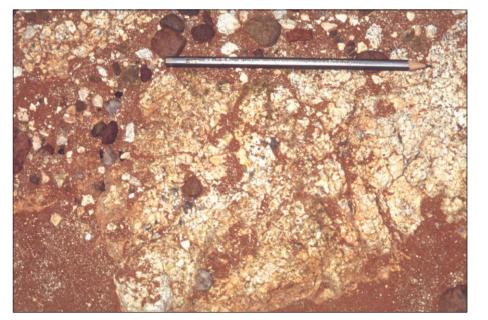


Sheetflow deposits consisting of red calcareous medium to coarse grained sand with carbonate granules and nodular lags (373389E:6694411N).





Erosional plain covered with granular/very coarse sand sized iron and quartz lag over a reddish-brown medium-fine sand. Lag consists of 75% Fe granules and 25% quartz and brown lithic fragments (355999E:6702300NJ.



Mottled granitic saprolite developed as a erosional rise partly covered by quartz and ferruginous gravel lags. Soils consist of very fine sandy light clay buff-brown sand with rare carbonate nodules (397651E:6678523N).



Lag of carbonate nodules and minor silcrete, quartz and lithic fragments over calcareous red sandy clay soils. Lag and soils developed on sheetflow plain (339351E: 6656783N).



Swale of dune field consisting of fine aeolian reddish-brown quartz sand (338199E:6635157N).



Banded ironstone forming a rocky resistant ridge. Angular ironstone grave/s form colluvial footslopes flanking the ridge (357321E:6646423N).



Erosional rise covered by a lag of geothitic and hematitic nodules over ferruginous quartz sand (363890E:6656783N).

SCALE 1:100 000 1 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Kilometres UNIVERSAL TRANSVERSE MERCATOR PROJECTION DATUM: AUSTRALIAN GEODETIC DATUM . ZONE: 53 LATITUDE OF ORIGIN: 0°. LONGITUDE OF ORIGIN: 135°

### **REGOLITH TYPES**

#### Transported regolith

- Alluvial sediments
  - Alluvial sediments consisting of clays, fine to medium sandy red clays, and gravels. In places sediments are partly covered by ferruginous silcrete lags. Sediments are ommonly hardpanised 30-40cm below the surface. Drainage patterns are poorly defined and consist largely of shallow alluvial depressions.
- Alluvial depressions and playa lakes consisting of floors of alluvial and lacustrine sediments including sands, clays and silts. Halite and gypsum crust on lake floors. ACed

#### Aeolian sediments

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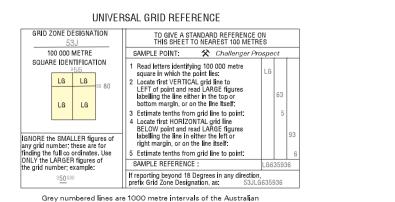
- Undifferentiated reddish orange fine grained aeolian quartz parabolic dunes and reworked undulating sandplains. Dunes trend mainly east-west. Sand grains are well rounded and sorted, and stained by iron. Slight increases in clay content in swales. Calcrete bars may occur on dune crests. Calcareous sands and nodules are common below -80cm. ISul
- Undifferentiated reddish orange, fine grained, aeolian, quartz sands forming well developed longitudinal dune fields , and minor reworked undulating and plains. Dunes trend mainly east-west. Sands are ferruginous, well rounded and sorted. Deep, uniform textured, sandy soils with slight increases in clay content > 1.2 metres. Calcareous sands and minor carbonate nodules common at > 1 metre depth. Occasional ferruginous silcrete and carbonate nodules ISul1

#### Colluvial sediments

- A variable unit of sheetflow sands, in part, modified by aeolian processes into sandplain. Soils consist of ferruginous medium/coarse red clayey sands to granules with clay content typically increasing with depth, and calcareous sands with carbonate nodules common at 50cm depth. Erosional rises are mantled by extensive lags consisting of quartz, ferruginous silcrete, buckshot gravels, ferruginous lithic fragments and granules/nodules of carbonate CHfs
- Sheetflow sand now modified by aeolian reworking and showing minor dune forms. Sands are ferruginous, well sorted, very fine to medium grained. Calcrete nodules commonly occur 50-60cm below the surface. Rare calcrete nodules and ferruginous silcrete lags. CHfs1
- Sheetflow deposits consisting of ferruginous, quartzose sands, medium/coarse red clayey sands and granules. Ferruginous saprolite, silcrete and Fe nodules form scattered gravel lags. In places, silcretes form indurated pavements Carbonate may occur at depths (> 40cm) as calcareous sands or nodules. Colluvial sheetflow plains and ersional plains. CHfs2
- Sheetflow mantles and sandplain modified in places by aeolian reworking and showing some dune forms. Sheetflow sands are ferruginous medium to fine grained and typically calcareous at depth (> 30cm). Modified aeolian sandplains consist of well rounded and polished grains with calcareous sands common at < 1 metre depth. Sheetflow, modified sandplains and minor erosional plains are common. CHfs3
- Extensive sheetflow sandplain and minor dune forms. Sands are ferruginous, well sorted, very fine to medium grained. Calcareous sands and nodules rare at the surface but are common at depths > 60cm. CHfs4
- Reddish orange, fine to medium quartzose sands, silts and minor clays. Carbonate nodules form scattered float. Calcareous sands and are common at > 40cm depth. Forms extensive sheetflow sand plains and minor residual plains. CHfs5

#### Lacustrine sediments

Lpl Lacustrine sediments consisting of reddish brown clays, silt and sand forming playa lake floors. Halite and gypsum crusts on lake floors.



Map Grid, Zone 53. Grid values are shown in full only at the southwest corner of the map

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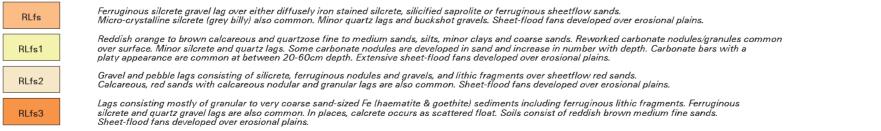
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Lunettes consisting of fine-medium quartz aeolian sand with some iron staining. Gypsum and carbonate fragments common in places. Gypsum in places exposed and reworked to form crusts, indurated horizons and blocks. Crystals of gypsum common in dune sands. Surface sands commonly dusted by halite adjacent to players. Minor spherulites derived from lake clays. ISun

#### In-situ regolith

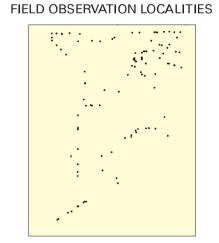
SCer	Ferruginous (haematite/goethitel lags consisting of buckshot gravels, ferruginous granules and minor vein quartz and ferruginous silcrete. Red sandy light clay soils with numerous ferruginous gravels. Occasional carbonate nodules as scattered float. Forms erosional plains and modified sheetflow plains. Detailed investigations may demonstrate, in some cases, that the deposits represent relief-inverted transported materials.
SCer1	Diffusely iron-stained and mottled granitic saprolite partly covered by sheetflow medium to coarse iron stained quartzose sands. Drainage depressions erosional plains.
SHer	Highly ferruginous saprolite partly covered by ferruginous lags and lithosols. Lags and lithosols consist of ferruginous lithic fragments and quartz gravels. Fe is haematitic and goethitic. Saprolite is either partly covered by calcareous, aeolian and sheetflow sands, or forms prominent low hills consisting mostly of banded iron lithologies. The low hills are partly covered by ferruginous skeletal soils surrounded by aprons of angular colluvium



	Regolith landform unit boundary		MINERAL OCCURRENCES	MINERAL OCCURRENCES (DEPOSITS) *		
	Minor erosional scarp	<b></b>	Gold (Au)			
	Contour Line	<b></b>	Chromium (Cr)	Chromium (Cr) Iron (Fe) Lead (Pb)		
	Sand ridge	$\diamond$	Iron (Fe)			
	Vehicle track	<b></b>	Lead (Pb)			
·····/	Fence	<b></b>	Nickel (Ni)			
	Landing ground	* Data provided by Bureau of Resource Science				
•	Spot height in metres	from MINLOC database				
	Water tank	$\boldsymbol{x}$	Challenger Prospect	Challenger Prospect		
A	Trigonometrical station	REGOLITH CODES		LANDFORM CODES		
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