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WELDBOROUGH PASS

Low rolling hills formed on Tertiary basalt lie south of Weldborough and incorporate the Weldborough Pass on the Tasman Highway. A smaller occurrence is found between Weldborough and West Pyengana. It is closely associated with the surrounding granite and granodiorite of the Burns Creek Land System (641341).

The stony gradational soil on the comparatively steep and rocky scarps gives way to a clay soil on the lower slopes and drainage lines.

No remnants of native vegetation were found on the two upper components. The closed-forest on the lowest component is dominated by myrtle, sassafras and waratah.

Grazing is the principal land use, although some areas remain undeveloped.

The main hazard is sheet erosion. Small areas scattered along the scarps are subject to mass movement.

