

Underground water prospects at Dodges Ferry.

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Mr H. Locher of Sorell owns a block of land in North Street, Park Beach and requested that it be surveyed to determine underground water possibilities.

The block is situated on sloping ground about 100 ft above sea level and about 200-300 yd from the shoreline. The area surrounding the allotment is underlain by Triassic sandstone and windblown sand. Sandstone outcrops on the road side just down hill from the block. It crops out strongly along the foreshore to the west of the area. Further to the west, along the shoreline, dolerite crops out.

The area surrounding the block is steep and rather elevated. A traverse along the foreshore failed to reveal any springs coming from the area.

The above information suggests that conditions for good quality underground water underlying the block are not ideal. It is probable that any fresh ground water available would be just above sea level. The proximity to the sea suggests that there is a danger that it could become contaminated with sea water if over pumped.

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