## Supplementary material

## Land use alters soil propagule banks of wetlands down the soil-depth profile

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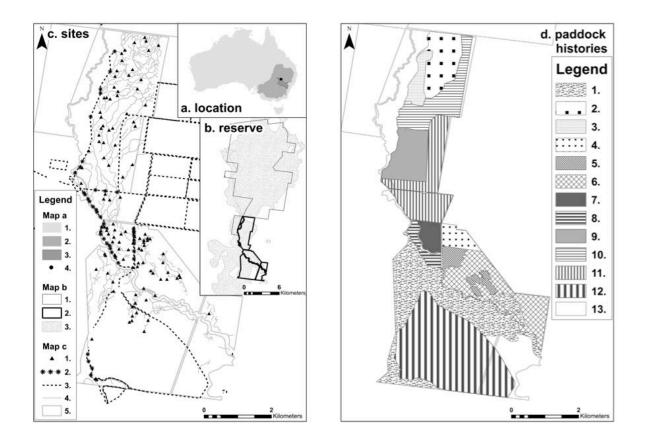
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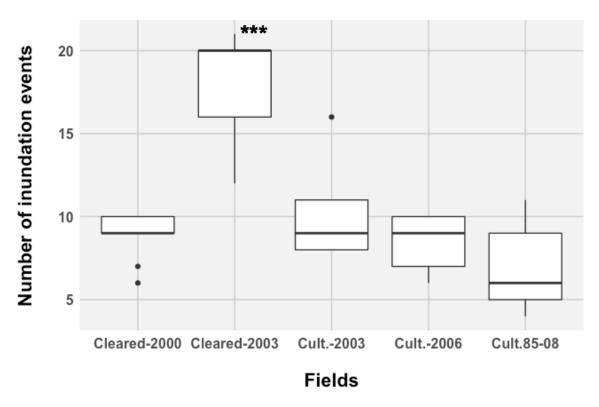
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**Fig. S1.** Maps of the sampling area, sites and field history: (*a*) Australia (1), Murray–Darling Basin (2), Macquarie Catchment (3) and the location of the Macquarie Marshes (4). (*b*) Northern Reserve, key: 1. Macquarie Marshes Northern Nature Reserve; 2. Pillicawarrina Reserve; 3. regularly inundated area. (*c*) Site locations with restoration measures and marsh channels, key: (1) sampling sites, (2) levee breaches and culvert improvements made in 2009, (3) levees and embankments, (4) marsh channels derived from LIDAR-based DEMs, (5) nature reserve boundary (inc. Pillicawarrian). (*d*) Fields within the Pillicawarrina Reserve; bold fields were sampled at a range of soil depths as part of the study, key: (1) not cleared (some ringbarking in the 1950s), (2) bulldozed 2000, (3) bulldozed 2002, (4) bulldozed and ploughed 2003, (5) chain cleared 1982, (6) chain cleared 1998, (7) cultivated 2002, 2004, 2006, (8) cultivated 2003, (9) cultivated 2005–2007, (10) cultivated 2006, (11) cultivated 1985–2008, (12) cultivated 1997–2009, (13) nature reserve boundary.



## Inundation Events in Each field

**Fig. S2.** Boxplot showing the number of flood events for the sites in each field. Floods were recorded from the 32 events that occurred in the 25 years before soil collection (Dawson *et al.* 2017*b*). \*\*\*, P > 0.001 for the difference between the Clear. 2003 field and all other fields, by a Tukey HSD test. The differences between the other fields were not significant.

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