

# Map Unit Description

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

## 10 Bankard sandy loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes

### Setting

Elevation: 4450 to 5000 feet  
Mean annual precipitation: 10 to 14 inches  
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 52 degrees F  
Frost-free period: 95 to 160 days

### Composition

Bankard and similar soils: 85 percent  
Minor components: 15 percent

### Description of Bankard

#### Setting

Landform: Low sand ridges, flood plains  
Down-slope shape: Linear  
Across-slope shape: Linear  
Parent material: Stratified, recent alluvium

#### Properties and Qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent  
Drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained  
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High (2.00 to 6.00 in/hr)  
Frequency of flooding: None  
Frequency of ponding: None  
Calcium carbonate maximum: 10 percent  
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent  
Available water capacity: Low (about 4.5 inches)

#### Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4w  
Land capability (non irrigated): 4w  
Ecological site: Sandy Bottomland (R067BY031CO)

#### Typical Profile

0 to 4 inches: sandy loam  
4 to 60 inches: stratified gravelly sand to loam

### Minor Components

#### Mollic fluvaquents

Percent of map unit: 9 percent  
Landform: Terraces

#### Blakeland

Percent of map unit: 6 percent