

Map Unit Description

Adams County Area, Parts of Adams and Denver Counties, Colorado

AcC Adena-Colby association, gently sloping

Setting

Elevation: 4000 to 5600 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 17 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 55 degrees F
Frost-free period: 120 to 160 days

Composition

Adena and similar soils: 40 percent
Colby and similar soils: 30 percent
Minor components: 30 percent

Description of Adena

Setting

Landform: Plains
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Eolian deposits derived from mixed

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 3 to 5 percent
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high (0.20 to 0.60 in/hr)
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 15 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Available water capacity: High (about 10.1 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e
Land capability (non irrigated): 4e
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 4 inches: loam
4 to 22 inches: silty clay loam
22 to 60 inches: silt loam

Description of Colby

Setting

Landform: Plains
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Eolian deposits derived from mixed

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 3 to 5 percent
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high or high (0.20 to 2.00 in/hr)
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 15 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Available water capacity: High (about 10.1 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e
Land capability (non irrigated): 4e
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 5 inches: loam
5 to 56 inches: loam

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56 to 60 inches: sandy clay loam

Minor Components

Wiley soils

Percent of map unit: 25 percent

Other vegetative classification: LOAMY PLAINS (067XY002CO_1)

Platner

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Weld

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

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WmB Weld loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Setting

Landscape: Tablelands
Elevation: 4000 to 5600 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 15 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 52 degrees F
Frost-free period: 125 to 155 days

Composition

Weld and similar soils: 80 percent
Minor components: 20 percent

Description of Weld

Setting

Landform: Plains
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Eolian deposits derived from mixed

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 1 to 3 percent
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low or moderately high (0.06 to 0.20 in/hr)
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 15 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Available water capacity: High (about 9.6 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e
Land capability (non irrigated): 3c
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 6 inches: loam
6 to 12 inches: clay
12 to 32 inches: loam
32 to 60 inches: silt loam

Minor Components

Adena

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Colby

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Satanta

Percent of map unit: 4 percent
Landform: Paleoterraces

Stoneham

Percent of map unit: 4 percent