

Map Unit Description

Yuma County, Colorado

12 Colby-Torriorthents complex, gullied, 15 to 25 percent slopes

Setting

Elevation: 3500 to 4200 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 15 to 17 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 50 to 52 degrees F
Frost-free period: 130 to 150 days

Composition

Colby and similar soils: 50 percent
Torriorthents and similar soils: 40 percent
Minor components: 10 percent

Description of Colby

Setting

Landform: Upland slopes
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Calcareous loess

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 15 to 25 percent
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high or high (0.57 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 10.2 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability (non irrigated): 6e
Ecological site: Loess Breaks (R072XY051CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 8 inches: silt loam
8 to 60 inches: silt loam

Description of Torriorthents

Setting

Landform: Upland slopes
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Gullied silty material

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 15 to 25 percent
Drainage class: Well drained
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None

Minor Components

Haverson

Percent of map unit: 10 percent