

Map Unit Description

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

24 Fort Collins loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Setting

Elevation: 4500 to 5050 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 10 to 15 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 52 degrees F
Frost-free period: 130 to 170 days

Composition

Fort Collins and similar soils: 80 percent
Minor components: 20 percent

Description of Fort Collins

Setting

Landform: Plains, terraces
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Alluvium and/or modified by thin eolian deposits

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 1 to 3 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 10.1 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e
Land capability (non irrigated): 4c
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 7 inches: loam
7 to 11 inches: clay loam
11 to 60 inches: fine sandy loam

Minor Components

Stoneham

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Olney

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Otero

Percent of map unit: 5 percent