

Map Unit Description

Rio Blanco County Area, Colorado

53 Moyerson stony clay loam, 15 to 65 percent slopes

Setting

Elevation: 5600 to 7300 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 16 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 42 to 45 degrees F
Frost-free period: 85 to 105 days

Composition

Moyerson and similar soils: 90 percent

Description of Moyerson

Setting

Landform: Plateaus, ridges
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Residuum weathered from calcareous shale

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 15 to 65 percent
Depth to restrictive feature: 10 to 20 inches to Paralithic bedrock
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Very low (0.00 to 0.00 in/hr)
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 15 percent
Gypsum maximum: 3 percent
Salinity maximum: Non saline or very slightly saline (2.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)
Sodium adsorption ratio maximum: 10.0
Available water capacity: Very low (about 2.7 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability (non irrigated): 7e
Ecological site: Clayey Slopes (R048AY246CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 2 inches: stony clay loam
2 to 17 inches: silty clay, clay, clay loam
17 to 21 inches: weathered bedrock