

Map Unit Description

Rio Blanco County Area, Colorado

34 Forelle loam, 8 to 15 percent slopes

Setting

Landscape: Uplands
Elevation: 5800 to 7200 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 15 to 18 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 42 to 45 degrees F
Frost-free period: 80 to 105 days

Composition

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

Description of Forelle

Setting

Landform: Terraces
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Alluvium derived from sedimentary rock and/or eolian deposits

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 8 to 15 percent
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high or high (0.60 to 2.00 in/hr)
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 15 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Sodium adsorption ratio maximum: 5.0
Available water capacity: High (about 10.1 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e
Land capability (non irrigated): 4e
Ecological site: Rolling Loam (R048AY298CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 4 inches: loam
4 to 21 inches: clay loam, loam, sandy clay loam
21 to 60 inches: loam, sandy clay loam, clay loam

Minor Components

Other soils

Percent of map unit: 15 percent