

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

47—Olney fine sandy loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

Elevation: 4,600 to 5,200 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 11 to 15 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 54 degrees F
Frost-free period: 125 to 175 days

Map Unit Composition

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

Description of Olney

Setting

Landform: Plains
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Mixed deposit outwash

Properties and qualities

Slope: 1 to 3 percent
Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches
Drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water
(Ksat): Moderately high to high (0.57 to 2.00 in/hr)
Depth to water table: More than 80 inches
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate, maximum content: 15 percent
Maximum salinity: Nonsaline (0.0 to 2.0 mmhos/cm)
Available water capacity: Moderate (about 7.0 inches)

Interpretive groups

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated and the product of
I (soil erodibility) x C (climate factor) does not exceed 60
Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e
Land capability (nonirrigated): 4c
Hydrologic Soil Group: B
Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO)

Typical profile

0 to 10 inches: Fine sandy loam
10 to 20 inches: Sandy clay loam
20 to 25 inches: Sandy clay loam
25 to 60 inches: Fine sandy loam

Minor Components

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Percent of map unit: 10 percent

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Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

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