

# Map Unit Description

Lincoln County, Colorado

## 114 Bijou loamy sand, moist, 1 to 3 percent slopes

### Setting

Elevation: 4400 to 6000 feet  
Mean annual precipitation: 11 to 16 inches  
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 52 degrees F  
Frost-free period: 135 to 155 days

### Composition

Bijou, moist, and similar soils: 90 percent  
Minor components: 10 percent

### Description of Bijou, moist

#### Setting

Landform: Plains  
Down-slope shape: Linear  
Across-slope shape: Linear  
Parent material: Eolian deposits

#### Properties and Qualities

Slope: 1 to 3 percent  
Drainage class: Somewhat excessively drained  
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High (2.00 to 6.00 in/hr)  
Frequency of flooding: None  
Frequency of ponding: None  
Calcium carbonate maximum: 0 percent  
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent  
Available water capacity: Low (about 5.5 inches)

#### Interpretive Groups

Land capability (non irrigated): 3e  
Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO)

#### Typical Profile

0 to 4 inches: loamy sand  
4 to 9 inches: loamy sand  
9 to 36 inches: sandy loam  
36 to 60 inches: loamy sand

### Minor Components

#### Apishapa, rarely ponded soils

Percent of map unit: 3 percent  
Landform: Depressions  
Ecological site: Plains Swale (R067XY010CO)

#### Arvada soils

Percent of map unit: 3 percent  
Landform: Fans, drainageways  
Other vegetative classification: Salt Flat (069AY033CO\_1)

#### Valent soils

Percent of map unit: 2 percent  
Landform: Dunes  
Ecological site: Deep Sand (R067BY015CO)  
Other vegetative classification: DEEP SANDS (067XY015CO\_2)

#### Karval soils

Percent of map unit: 2 percent  
Landform: Hills  
Other vegetative classification: GRAVEL BREAKS (067XY063CO\_1)