

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

79—Weld loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

Elevation: 4,850 to 5,000 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 17 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 55 degrees F
Frost-free period: 100 to 155 days

Map Unit Composition

Weld and similar soils: 80 percent
Minor components: 20 percent

Description of Weld

Setting

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

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 8 inches: neutral, loam
H2 - 8 to 15 inches: neutral, clay
H3 - 15 to 60 inches: moderately alkaline, silt loam
H4 - 60 to 64 inches: moderately alkaline, silt loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 1 to 3 percent
Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches
Natural drainage class: Well drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):
Moderately low to moderately high (0.06 to 0.20 in/hr)
Depth to water table: More than 80 inches
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 6 percent
Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 2.0 mmhos/cm)
Available water storage in profile: High (about 10.2 inches)

Interpretive groups

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated
Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 3e
Hydrologic Soil Group: C
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Minor Components

Keith

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Wiley

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Adena

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

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