

Washington County, Colorado

55—Platner loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2tln0

Elevation: 4,000 to 4,930 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 14 to 17 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 50 degrees F

Frost-free period: 135 to 160 days

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

Map Unit Composition

Platner and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

Description of Platner

Setting

Landform: Interfluves

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Mixed eolian deposits over tertiary aged alluvium derived from igneous, metamorphic and sedimentary rock

Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 6 inches: loam

Bt1 - 6 to 11 inches: clay

Bt2 - 11 to 20 inches: clay

Bk1 - 20 to 27 inches: loam

Bk2 - 27 to 37 inches: sandy clay loam

C - 37 to 80 inches: sandy clay loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

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: 15 percent

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.0 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Moderate (about 8.1 inches)