

Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part

44—Olney fine sandy loam, 0 to 6 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 35zy

Elevation: 3,500 to 5,800 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 11 to 15 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 54 degrees F

Frost-free period: 125 to 175 days

Farmland classification: Farmland of statewide importance

Map Unit Composition

Olney and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

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

Description of Olney

Setting

Landform: Plains

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Calcareous loamy alluvium

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 6 inches: fine sandy loam

H2 - 6 to 18 inches: sandy clay loam

H3 - 18 to 60 inches: sandy loam

H4 - 60 to 64 inches: sandy loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 6 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

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 in profile: 15 percent

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.0 to 2.0 mmhos/cm)

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

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4c

Hydrologic Soil Group: B

Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Minor Components

Stoneham

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

Ascalon

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part

Survey Area Data: Version 10, Sep 23, 2014