

Larimer County Area, Colorado

8—Ascalon sandy loam, 3 to 5 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2tInt

Elevation: 3,550 to 5,970 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 16 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 57 degrees F

Frost-free period: 135 to 160 days

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

Map Unit Composition

Ascalon and similar soils: 80 percent

Minor components: 20 percent

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

Description of Ascalon

Setting

Landform: Interfluves

Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder, summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Wind-reworked alluvium and/or calcareous sandy eolian deposits

Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 6 inches: sandy loam

Bt1 - 6 to 12 inches: sandy clay loam

Bt2 - 12 to 19 inches: sandy clay loam

Bk - 19 to 35 inches: sandy clay loam

C - 35 to 80 inches: sandy loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 5 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 (0.60 to 6.00 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None

Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 10 percent

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.1 to 1.9 mmhos/cm)

Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile: 1.0

Available water storage in profile: Moderate (about 6.9 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4c

Hydrologic Soil Group: B

Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO), Sandy (North)

Draft (April 2010) (PE 16-20) (R072XA022KS)

Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Stoneham

Percent of map unit: 10 percent

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Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO), Loamy Upland

(North) (PE 16-20) (R072XA015KS)

Hydric soil rating: No

Vona

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Landform: Interfluves

Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope, footslope,
shoulder

Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO), Sandy (North)

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Hydric soil rating: No

Platner

Percent of map unit: 2 percent

Landform: Interfluves

Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit

Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

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Hydric soil rating: No

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Larimer County Area, Colorado

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