

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

70—Valent sand, 3 to 9 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2tczf

Elevation: 3,050 to 5,150 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 18 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 55 degrees F

Frost-free period: 130 to 180 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Valent and similar soils: 80 percent

Minor components: 20 percent

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

Description of Valent

Setting

Landform: Dunes, hills

Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder, backslope, summit, footslope

Landform position (three-dimensional): Crest, side slope, head slope, nose slope

Down-slope shape: Linear, convex

Across-slope shape: Linear, convex

Parent material: Noncalcareous eolian sands

Typical profile

A - 0 to 5 inches: sand

AC - 5 to 12 inches: sand

C1 - 12 to 30 inches: sand

C2 - 30 to 80 inches: sand

Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 9 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches

Natural drainage class: Excessively drained

Runoff class: Very low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High to very high (6.00 to 39.96 in/hr)

Depth to water table: More than 80 inches

Frequency of flooding: None

Frequency of ponding: None

Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 1 percent

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.0 to 1.9 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Very low (about 2.4 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6e
Hydrologic Soil Group: A
Ecological site: Deep Sand (R067BY015CO), Sands (North) (PE 16-20) (R072XA021KS)
Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Dailey

Percent of map unit: 10 percent
Landform: Interdunes
Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, toeslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Concave
Ecological site: Deep Sand (R067BY015CO), Sands (North) (PE 16-20) (R072XA021KS)
Hydric soil rating: No

Vona

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Landform: Hills
Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, backslope, shoulder
Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope, head slope, nose slope, base slope
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO), Sandy (North) Draft (April 2010) (PE 16-20) (R072XA022KS)
Hydric soil rating: No

Haxtun

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Landform: Interdunes
Landform position (two-dimensional): Footslope, toeslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Base slope
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Concave
Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO), Sandy (North) Draft (April 2010) (PE 16-20) (R072XA022KS)
Hydric soil rating: No

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part
Survey Area Data: Version 15, Sep 22, 2016

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Valent	Deep Sand; Sands (north) (pe 16-20)	3,000	2,000	1,200	Sand bluestem	25
					Prairie sandreed	15
					Switchgrass	10
					Blue grama	10
					Sand dropseed	10
					Plains pricklypear	5
					Yucca	5
					Sedge	5
					Little bluestem	5
					Sand sagebrush	5
					Needleandthread	5