

Morgan County, Colorado

WmA—Weld loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

*National map unit symbol: 2x0hw
Elevation: 3,600 to 5,750 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 17 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 54 degrees F
Frost-free period: 115 to 155 days
Farmland classification: Farmland of statewide importance*

Map Unit Composition

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

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

Description of Weld

Setting

*Landform: Interfluves
Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit
Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Calcareous loess*

Typical profile

*Ap - 0 to 8 inches: loam
Bt1 - 8 to 12 inches: clay
Bt2 - 12 to 15 inches: clay loam
Btk - 15 to 28 inches: loam
Bk - 28 to 60 inches: silt loam
C - 60 to 80 inches: silt loam*

Properties and qualities

*Slope: 1 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: 14 percent
Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.1 to
2.0 mmhos/cm)
Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum in profile: 5.0
Available water storage in profile: High (about 11.3 inches)*