

Washington County, Colorado

78—Weld silt loam, 0 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2x0hx
Elevation: 3,600 to 6,000 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 18 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 54 degrees F
Frost-free period: 115 to 155 days
Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

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 3 inches: silt loam
Bt1 - 3 to 11 inches: silty clay
Bt2 - 11 to 15 inches: silty clay
Btk - 15 to 21 inches: silty clay
Bk - 21 to 31 inches: silt loam
C - 31 to 80 inches: silt 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: 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 11.7 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 2e
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 3c
Hydrologic Soil Group: C
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Colby

Percent of map unit: 7 percent
Landform: Hillslopes
Landform position (two-dimensional): Backslope
Landform position (three-dimensional): Side slope
Down-slope shape: Convex
Across-slope shape: Convex
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Keith

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Landform: Interfluves
Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit
Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Adena

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Landform: Interfluves
Landform position (two-dimensional): Summit
Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve
Down-slope shape: Convex
Across-slope shape: Convex
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Rago, rarely flooded

Percent of map unit: 2 percent
Landform: Drainageways
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Concave
Ecological site: Overflow (R067BY036CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Pleasant, ponded

Percent of map unit: 1 percent
Landform: Playas, closed depressions
Down-slope shape: Concave
Across-slope shape: Concave
Ecological site: Closed Upland Depression (R067BY010CO)

Hydric soil rating: Yes

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Washington County, Colorado

Survey Area Data: Version 19, Oct 10, 2017