

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

15—Colby loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 361q
Elevation: 4,850 to 5,050 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 16 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 50 degrees F
Frost-free period: 135 to 155 days
Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

Map Unit Composition

Colby and similar soils: 85 percent
Minor components: 15 percent
Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

Description of Colby

Setting

Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Calcareous eolian deposits

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 7 inches: loam
H2 - 7 to 60 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: 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
Available water storage in profile: High (about 10.6 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e
Hydrologic Soil Group: B
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Wiley

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Keith

Percent of map unit: 6 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

Survey Area Data: Version 17, Sep 10, 2018

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

79—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: 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 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)

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

Adena

Percent of map unit: 8 percent
Landform: Interfluves
Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder
Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve
Down-slope shape: Convex
Across-slope shape: Convex
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

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: 3 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

Baca

Percent of map unit: 2 percent
Landform: Interfluves
Landform position (two-dimensional): Shoulder, summit
Landform position (three-dimensional): Interfluve
Down-slope shape: Linear, convex
Across-slope shape: Linear, convex
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Hydric soil rating: No

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