

# Map Unit Description

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

## 70 Valent sand, 3 to 9 percent slopes

### Setting

Elevation: 4650 to 5100 feet  
Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 19 inches  
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 52 degrees F  
Frost-free period: 130 to 180 days

### Composition

Valent and similar soils: 95 percent  
Minor components: 1 percent

### Description of Valent

#### Setting

Landform: Plains  
Down-slope shape: Linear  
Across-slope shape: Linear  
Parent material: Eolian deposits

#### Properties and Qualities

Slope: 3 to 9 percent  
Drainage class: Excessively drained  
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High or very high (5.95 to 19.98 in/hr)  
Frequency of flooding: None  
Frequency of ponding: None  
Calcium carbonate maximum: 0 percent  
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent  
Available water capacity: Very low (about 2.6 inches)

#### Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e  
Land capability (non irrigated): 6e  
Ecological site: Deep Sand (R067BY015CO)

#### Typical Profile

0 to 8 inches: fine sand  
8 to 60 inches: sand

### Minor Components

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Percent of map unit: 1 percent  
Landform: Swales