

# Map Unit Description

Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part

## 74 Vona sandy loam, 3 to 9 percent slopes

### Setting

Elevation: 4000 to 5500 feet  
Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 15 inches  
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 55 degrees F  
Frost-free period: 130 to 160 days

### Composition

Vona and similar soils: 85 percent  
Minor components: 15 percent

### Description of Vona

#### Setting

Landform: Plains  
Down-slope shape: Linear  
Across-slope shape: Linear  
Parent material: Calcareous sandy alluvium and/or eolian deposits

#### Properties and Qualities

Slope: 3 to 9 percent  
Drainage class: Well drained  
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): High (1.98 to 6.00 in/hr)  
Frequency of flooding: None  
Frequency of ponding: None  
Calcium carbonate maximum: 15 percent  
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent  
Available water capacity: Moderate (about 6.4 inches)

#### Interpretive Groups

Land capability (non irrigated): 6e  
Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO)

#### Typical Profile

0 to 6 inches: sandy loam  
6 to 15 inches: fine sandy loam, sandy loam  
15 to 60 inches: loamy sand

### Minor Components

#### Remmit

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

#### Julesburg

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

#### Olney

Percent of map unit: 3 percent