

Map Unit Description

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

3 Aquolls and Aquents, gravelly substratum

Setting

Elevation: 4000 to 7200 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 18 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 45 to 55 degrees F
Frost-free period: 80 to 155 days

Composition

Aquolls and similar soils: 55 percent
Aquents, gravelly substratum, and similar soils: 30 percent
Minor components: 15 percent

Description of Aquolls

Setting

Landform: Swales, streams, flood plains
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Recent alluvium

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent
Drainage class: Poorly drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high or high (0.20 to 2.00 in/hr)
Depth to water table: About 6 to 48 inches
Frequency of flooding: Frequent
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 0 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Available water capacity: Moderate (about 8.0 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability (non irrigated): 6w
Ecological site: Salt Meadow (R067BY035CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 48 inches: loam
48 to 60 inches: gravelly sand

Description of Aquents, gravelly substratum

Setting

Landform: Stream terraces
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Recent alluvium

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent
Drainage class: Poorly drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately high or very high (0.57 to 19.98 in/hr)
Depth to water table: About 6 to 24 inches
Frequency of flooding: Frequent
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 10 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Available water capacity: Moderate (about 6.6 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 6w
Land capability (non irrigated): 6w
Ecological site: Salt Meadow (R067BY035CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 48 inches: variable
48 to 60 inches: very gravelly sand

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Minor Components

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Percent of map unit: 5 percent

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4 Aquolls and Aquepts, flooded

Setting

Elevation: 3600 to 4700 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 16 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 50 to 55 degrees F
Frost-free period: 100 to 165 days

Composition

Aquolls and similar soils: 55 percent
Aquepts, flooded, and similar soils: 25 percent
Minor components: 20 percent

Description of Aquolls

Setting

Landform: Drainageways, plains, depressions
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Recent alluvium

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent
Drainage class: Poorly drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low or high (0.06 to 6.00 in/hr)
Depth to water table: About 6 to 36 inches
Frequency of flooding: Frequent
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 10 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Salinity maximum: Slightly saline or moderately saline (8.0 to 16.0 mmhos/cm)
Sodium adsorption ratio maximum: 5.0
Available water capacity: Low (about 4.7 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 6w
Land capability (non irrigated): 6w
Ecological site: Salt Meadow (R067BY035CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 8 inches: variable
8 to 60 inches: stratified sandy loam to clay

Description of Aquepts, flooded

Setting

Landform: Stream terraces
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Recent alluvium

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent
Drainage class: Poorly drained
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat): Moderately low or high (0.06 to 6.00 in/hr)
Depth to water table: About 6 to 36 inches
Frequency of flooding: Frequent
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate maximum: 10 percent
Gypsum maximum: 0 percent
Salinity maximum: Slightly saline or moderately saline (8.0 to 16.0 mmhos/cm)
Sodium adsorption ratio maximum: 5.0
Available water capacity: Low (about 4.7 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 6w
Land capability (non irrigated): 6w

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Ecological site: Wet Meadow (R067BY038CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 8 inches: variable

8 to 60 inches: stratified sandy loam to clay

Minor Components

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Percent of map unit: 10 percent

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Percent of map unit: 10 percent

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Setting

Elevation: 4650 to 4950 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: Terraces

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Alluvium

Properties and Qualities

Slope: 0 to 1 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 6.8 inches)

Interpretive Groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e

Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO)

Typical Profile

0 to 6 inches: sandy loam

6 to 28 inches: fine sandy loam

28 to 60 inches: sandy loam

Minor Components

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Percent of map unit: 11 percent

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Percent of map unit: 4 percent