

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

18—Colby-Adena loams, 3 to 9 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 361t
Elevation: 4,750 to 4,900 feet
Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 16 inches
Mean annual air temperature: 48 to 55 degrees F
Frost-free period: 120 to 160 days
Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Colby and similar soils: 55 percent
Adena and similar soils: 30 percent
Minor components: 15 percent
Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

Description of Colby

Setting

Landform: Ridges, hills, plains
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: 5 to 9 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 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): None specified
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e
Hydrologic Soil Group: B
Ecological site: Loamy Slopes (R067BY008CO)

Description of Adena

Setting

Landform: Plains, ridges, hills
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Calcareous eolian deposits

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 6 inches: loam
H2 - 6 to 9 inches: clay loam
H3 - 9 to 60 inches: silt loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 7 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 high (0.20 to 0.60 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 10.1 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e
Hydrologic Soil Group: C
Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Minor Components

Kim

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Keith

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Weld

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Wiley

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part
Survey Area Data: Version 14, Sep 22, 2015