

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

2—Altvan loam, 1 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 361w

Elevation: 4,500 to 4,900 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 14 to 16 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 48 degrees F

Frost-free period: 130 to 150 days

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

Map Unit Composition

Altvan and similar soils: 90 percent

Minor components: 10 percent

Estimates are based on observations, descriptions, and transects of the mapunit.

Description of Altvan

Setting

Landform: Terraces

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Old alluvium

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 10 inches: loam

H2 - 10 to 24 inches: sandy clay loam

H3 - 24 to 60 inches: gravelly sand

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 (0.20 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: 5 percent

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 5.6 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e

Hydrologic Soil Group: B

Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Minor Components

Cascajo

Percent of map unit: 9 percent

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Percent of map unit: 1 percent

Landform: Swales

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

Survey Area Data: Version 14, Sep 22, 2015