

Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

45—Olney loamy sand, 3 to 5 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 362s

Elevation: 4,600 to 5,200 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 11 to 15 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 54 degrees F

Frost-free period: 125 to 175 days

Farmland classification: Farmland of statewide importance

Map Unit Composition

Olney and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

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

Description of Olney

Setting

Landform: Plains

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Mixed deposit outwash

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 10 inches: loamy sand

H2 - 10 to 20 inches: sandy clay loam

H3 - 20 to 25 inches: sandy clay loam

H4 - 25 to 60 inches: fine sandy loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 3 to 5 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 (0.60 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

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.0 to 2.0 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Moderate (about 6.5 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 3e

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4c

Hydrologic Soil Group: B

Ecological site: Sandy Plains (R067BY024CO)

Minor Components

Zigweid

Percent of map unit: 8 percent

Vona

Percent of map unit: 7 percent

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Southern Part

Survey Area Data: Version 14, Sep 22, 2015