

Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part

31—Kim-Mitchell complex, 0 to 6 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 35zh

Elevation: 3,500 to 6,500 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 11 to 17 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 54 degrees F

Frost-free period: 120 to 160 days

Farmland classification: Farmland of statewide importance

Map Unit Composition

Kim and similar soils: 45 percent

Mitchell and similar soils: 40 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

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

Description of Kim

Setting

Landform: Alluvial fans, plains

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Calcareous loamy alluvium

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 3 inches: loam

H2 - 3 to 7 inches: clay loam

H3 - 7 to 60 inches: loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 6 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 (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

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to slightly saline (0.0 to 4.0 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: High (about 9.7 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e

Hydrologic Soil Group: C

Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)

Hydric soil rating: No

Description of Mitchell

Setting

Landform: Plains, alluvial fans
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Calcareous loamy alluvium

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 7 inches: silt loam
H2 - 7 to 60 inches: silt loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 6 percent
Depth to restrictive feature: More than 80 inches
Natural drainage class: Well drained
Runoff class: Very low
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):
Moderately high to high (0.57 to 5.95 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 10.8 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4e
Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e
Hydrologic Soil Group: A
Ecological site: Siltstone Plains (R067BY009CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Haverson

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Hydric soil rating: No

Thedalund

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Hydric soil rating: No

Keota

Percent of map unit: 5 percent
Hydric soil rating: No

Data Source Information

Soil Survey Area: Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part
Survey Area Data: Version 13, Sep 10, 2018

Report—Rangeland and Forest Vegetation Classification, Productivity, and Plant Composition

Rangeland and Forest Vegetation Classification, Productivity, and Plant Composition—Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part										
Map unit symbol and soil name	Ecological Site, Plant Association, or Habitat Type	Total dry-weight production			Characteristic rangeland or forest understory vegetation	Composition	Rangeland		Forest understory	
		Favorable year	Normal year	Unfavorable year			Pct dry wt	Pct dry wt		
		<i>Lb/ac</i>	<i>Lb/ac</i>	<i>Lb/ac</i>						
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Kim	Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)	1,500	1,000	500	western wheatgrass	25				
					blue grama					
Mitchell	Siltstone Plains (R067BY009CO)	1,500	900	400	western wheatgrass	25				
					fourwing saltbush	15				
					blue grama					

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