

Weld County, Colorado, Northern Part

27—Epping silt loam, 0 to 9 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 35zb

Elevation: 3,600 to 5,500 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 12 to 17 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 45 to 52 degrees F

Frost-free period: 120 to 150 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Epping and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

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

Description of Epping

Setting

Landform: Plains

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Calcareous loamy residuum weathered from siltstone

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 3 inches: silt loam

H2 - 3 to 17 inches: silt loam

H3 - 17 to 20 inches: weathered bedrock

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 9 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 10 to 20 inches to paralithic bedrock

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Medium

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):

Moderately low to moderately high (0.06 to 0.20 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: Very low (about 2.9 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): None specified

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 6s

Hydrologic Soil Group: D

Ecological site: Shallow Siltstone (R067BY039CO)

Hydric soil rating: No

Minor Components

Keota

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Thedalund

Percent of map unit: 4 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Mitchell

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Kim

Percent of map unit: 3 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

Data Source Information

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40—Nunn loam, 0 to 6 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 2t1pt

Elevation: 4,500 to 6,200 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 17 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 50 to 54 degrees F

Frost-free period: 135 to 160 days

Farmland classification: Prime farmland if irrigated

Map Unit Composition

Nunn and similar soils: 85 percent

Minor components: 15 percent

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

Description of Nunn

Setting

Landform: Terraces, alluvial fans

Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Pleistocene aged alluvium and/or eolian deposits

Typical profile

Ap - 0 to 6 inches: loam

Bt1 - 6 to 10 inches: clay loam

Bt2 - 10 to 26 inches: clay loam

Btk - 26 to 31 inches: clay loam

Bk - 31 to 80 inches: clay loam

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 6 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 low to moderately high (0.06 to 0.20 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

Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline (0.1 to 1.0 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: High (about 9.5 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

Minor Components

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Percent of map unit: 8 percent
Landform: Alluvial fans, terraces
Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Ecological site: Clayey Plains (R067BY042CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

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Percent of map unit: 7 percent
Landform: Swales on terraces, swales on terraces
Landform position (three-dimensional): Tread
Down-slope shape: Concave, linear
Across-slope shape: Concave, linear
Ecological site: Salt Flat (R067BY033CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

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66—Thedalund-Keota loams, 0 to 3 percent slopes

Map Unit Setting

National map unit symbol: 360q

Elevation: 3,500 to 6,500 feet

Mean annual precipitation: 13 to 17 inches

Mean annual air temperature: 46 to 48 degrees F

Frost-free period: 130 to 160 days

Farmland classification: Not prime farmland

Map Unit Composition

Thedalund and similar soils: 45 percent

Keota and similar soils: 30 percent

Minor components: 25 percent

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

Description of Thedalund

Setting

Landform: Alluvial fans, plains, ridges

Down-slope shape: Linear

Across-slope shape: Linear

Parent material: Calcareous loamy residuum weathered from sandstone and shale and/or residuum weathered from siltstone

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 3 inches: loam

H2 - 3 to 25 inches: loam

H3 - 25 to 29 inches: weathered bedrock

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent

Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic bedrock

Natural drainage class: Well drained

Runoff class: Low

Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):

Moderately low to high (0.06 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 moderately saline (0.0 to 8.0 mmhos/cm)

Available water storage in profile: Low (about 4.3 inches)

Interpretive groups

Land capability classification (irrigated): 4s

Land capability classification (nonirrigated): 4e

Hydrologic Soil Group: C

Ecological site: Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)
Hydric soil rating: No

Description of Keota

Setting

Landform: Plains, ridges, alluvial fans
Down-slope shape: Linear
Across-slope shape: Linear
Parent material: Calcareous loamy residuum weathered from
siltstone

Typical profile

H1 - 0 to 4 inches: loam
H2 - 4 to 35 inches: silt loam
H3 - 35 to 39 inches: unweathered bedrock

Properties and qualities

Slope: 0 to 3 percent
Depth to restrictive feature: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic bedrock
Natural drainage class: Well drained
Runoff class: Low
Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):
Moderately low to moderately high (0.06 to 0.20 in/hr)
Depth to water table: More than 80 inches
Frequency of flooding: None
Frequency of ponding: None
Calcium carbonate, maximum in profile: 10 percent
Salinity, maximum in profile: Nonsaline to very slightly saline (0.0
to 2.0 mmhos/cm)
Available water storage in profile: Low (about 5.3 inches)

Interpretive groups

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

Minor Components

Epping

Percent of map unit: 10 percent
Hydric soil rating: No

Shingle

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

Mitchell

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

Kim

Percent of map unit: 5 percent

Hydric soil rating: No

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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		
		Favorable year	Normal year	Unfavorable year			Rangeland	Forest understory
		Lb/ac	Lb/ac	Lb/ac			Pct dry wt	Pct dry wt
27—Epping silt loam, 0 to 9 percent slopes								
Epping	Shallow Siltstone (R067BY039CO)	900	800	700	needleandthread	15		
					threadleaf sedge	15		
					little bluestem	10		
					sideoats grama	10		
					other shrubs	5		
					other perennial forbs	5		
					other perennial grasses	5		
					prairie sandreed	5		
					western wheatgrass	5		
					blue grama			
40—Nunn loam, 0 to 6 percent slopes								
Nunn	Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)	1,800	1,300	600	western wheatgrass	40		
					blue grama	30		
					green needlegrass	20		
					alkali sacaton			
					fourwing saltbush			
					winterfat			

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66—Thedalund-Keota loams, 0 to 3 percent slopes								
Thedalund	Loamy Plains (R067BY002CO)	1,600	1,100	800	sideoats grama	10		
					western wheatgrass	10		
					bottlebrush squirreltail	5		
					Fendler threeawn	5		
					needleandthread	5		
					fourwing saltbush	3		
					sand dropseed	2		
					blue grama			
Keota	Siltstone Plains (R067BY009CO)	1,800	1,200	300	western wheatgrass	12		
					fourwing saltbush	5		
					green needlegrass	4		
					winterfat	3		
					sideoats grama	1		
					blue grama			

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