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Either enlarged or reduced copies of the soil map in this publication can be made by commercial photographers, or they can be purchased on individual order from the Cartographic Division, Soil Conservation Service, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250.

HOW TO USE THIS SOIL SURVEY

THIS SURVEY contains information that can be applied in managing farms, ranches, and woodlands; in selecting sites for roads, ponds, buildings, and other structures; and in judging the suitability of tracts of land for farming, industry, and recreation.

Locating Soils

All the soils of Wayne County are shown on the detailed map at the back of this publication. This map consists of many sheets made from aerial photographs. Each sheet is numbered to correspond with a number on the Index to Map Sheets.

On each sheet of the detailed map, soil areas are outlined and are identified by symbols. All areas marked with the same symbol are the same kind of soil. The soil symbol is inside the area if there is enough room; otherwise, it is outside and a pointer shows where the symbol belongs.

Finding and Using Information

The "Guide to Mapping Units" can be used to find information. This guide lists all the soils of the county in alphabetic order by map symbol. It shows the page where each soil is described and the page for the capability unit in which the soil has been placed.

Individual colored maps showing the relative suitability or degree of limitation of soils for many specific purposes can be developed by using the soil map and the information in the text. Translucent ma-

terial can be used as an overlay over the soil map and colored to show soils that have the same limitation or suitability. For example, soils that have a slight limitation for a given use can be colored green, those with a moderate limitation can be colored yellow, and those with a severe limitation can be colored red.

Farmers and those who work with farmers can learn about use and management of the soils from the soil descriptions and from the discussions of the capability units and woodland groups.

Foresters and others can refer to the section "Use of the Soils for Woodland," where the soils of the county are grouped according to their suitability for trees.

Game managers, sportsmen, and others can find information about soils and wildlife in the section "Use of the Soils for Wildlife."

Engineers and builders can find, under "Engineering Uses of the Soils," tables that contain test data, estimates of soil properties, and information about soil features that affect engineering practices.

Scientists and others can read about how the soils formed and how they are classified in the section "Formation and Classification of the Soils."

Newcomers to Wayne County may be especially interested in the section "General Soil Map," where broad patterns of soils are described. They may also be interested in the section "General Nature of the County."

Cover picture: Soybeans on Johnston loam.

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SOIL SURVEY OF WAYNE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA

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WAYNE COUNTY is in the east-central part of North Carolina (fig. 1). The county is 355,200 acres or 555 square miles in size. Goldsboro is the county seat. The 1960 Census showed a population of 82,059 for the county and 27,873 for Goldsboro.

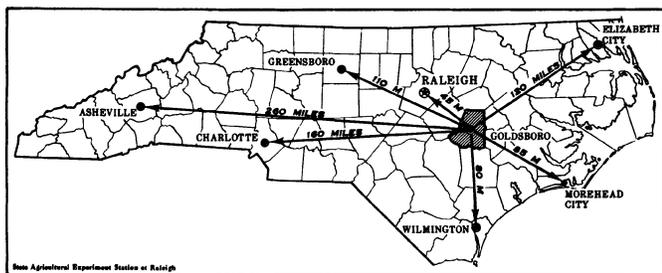


Figure 1.—Location of Wayne County in North Carolina.

Wayne County is in the Atlantic Coastal Plain physiographic province. Elevation ranges from about 40 feet, where the Neuse River enters Lenoir County, to about 190 feet in the southwestern part of the county, where the Wayne, Sampson, and Johnston County lines meet. Elevation is dominantly 120 to 145 feet. The land surface is smooth, but short, sloping to moderately steep breaks occur along the flood plain of permanent streams. The divides are long, broad, and mainly nearly level. The southern part of the county is pocketed with a few large oval depressions that are called Carolina bays.

Wayne County is mainly agricultural. The short, mild winters and long, hot summers permit a wide range of farming and choice of crops. Tobacco, corn, and soybeans are the chief cash crops. The county also produces poultry and eggs, hogs, beef, and dairy products. The other important crops are small grain, cotton, vegetables, and forest products.

In Wayne County approximately 165,300 acres is used for crops, 7,100 acres for pasture, and 157,800 acres for woodland. The State maintains a 600-acre park in the southeast-central part of the county. The park has a cliff overlooking the Neuse River, a lake for swimming and boating, sites for camping and picnicking, and trails for hiking and nature study.

The soils of Wayne County are acid and strongly leached. They are mostly low to very low in natural fer-

tility. They require adequate applications of lime. Adequate fertilizer also is needed to increase the content of calcium, magnesium, phosphorous, and potassium. Organic-matter content of the soils is mostly low to very low, except for some very wet soils in which water has retarded oxidation.

How This Survey Was Made

Soil scientists made this survey to learn what kinds of soil are in Wayne County, where they are located, and how they can be used. The soil scientists went into the county knowing they likely would find many soils they had already seen and perhaps some they had not. They observed the steepness, length, and shape of slopes, the size and speed of streams, the kinds of native plants or crops, and many facts about the soils. They dug many holes to expose soil profiles. A profile is the sequence of natural layers, or horizons, in a soil; it extends from the surface down into the parent material that has not been changed much by leaching or by the action of plant roots.

The soil scientists made comparisons among the profiles they studied, and they compared these profiles with those in counties nearby and in places more distant. They classified and named the soils according to nationwide, uniform procedures. The *soil series* and the *soil phase* are the categories of soil classification most used in a local survey.

Soils that have profiles almost alike make up a soil series. Except for different texture in the surface layer, all the soils of one series have major horizons that are similar in thickness, arrangement, and other important characteristics. Each soil series is named for a town or other geographic feature near the place where a soil of that series was first observed and mapped. Aycock and Goldsboro, for example, are the names of two soil series. All the soils in the United States having the same series name are essentially alike in those characteristics that affect their behavior in the undisturbed landscape.

Soils of one series can differ in texture of the surface soil and in slope, stoniness, or some other characteristic that affects use of the soils by man. On the basis of such differences, a soil series is divided into phases. The name of a soil phase indicates a feature that affects management. For example, Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes, is one of several phases within the Norfolk series.

After a guide for classifying and naming the soils had been worked out, the soil scientists drew the boundaries of the individual soils on aerial photographs. These photographs show woodlands, buildings, field borders, trees, and other details that help in drawing boundaries accurately. The soil map in the back of this publication was prepared from the aerial photographs.

The areas shown on a soil map are called mapping units. On most maps detailed enough to be useful in planning the management of farms and fields, a mapping unit is nearly equivalent to a soil phase. It is not exactly equivalent, because it is not practical to show on such a map all the small, scattered bits of soil of some other kind that have been seen within an area that is dominantly of a recognized soil phase.

While a soil survey is in progress, samples of soils are taken, as needed, for laboratory measurements and for engineering tests. Laboratory data from the same kinds of soil in other places are assembled. Data on yields of crops under defined practices are assembled from farm records and from field or plot experiments on the same kinds of soil. Yields under defined management are estimated for all the soils.

But only part of a soil survey is done when the soils have been named, described, and delineated on the map, and the laboratory data and yield data have been assembled. The mass of detailed information then needs to be organized in such a way as to be readily useful to different groups of users, among them farmers, managers of woodland and rangeland, and engineers.

On the basis of yield and practice tables and other data, the soil scientists set up trial groups. They test these groups by further study and by consultation with farmers, agronomists, engineers, and others, then adjust the groups according to the results of their studies and consultation. Thus, the groups that are finally evolved reflect up-to-date knowledge of the soils and their behavior under present methods of use and management.

General Soil Map

The general soil map at the back of this survey shows, in color, the soil associations in Wayne County. A soil association is a landscape that has a distinctive proportional pattern of soils. It normally consists of one or more major soils and at least one minor soil, and it is named for the major soils. The soils in one association may occur in another, but in a different pattern.

A map showing soil associations is useful to people who want a general idea of the soils in a county, who want to compare different parts of a county, or who want to know the location of large tracts that are suitable for a certain kind of land use. Such a map is a useful general guide in managing a watershed, a wooded tract, or a wildlife area, or in planning engineering works, recreational facilities, and community developments. It is not a suitable map for planning the management of a farm or field or for selecting the exact location of a road, building, or similar structure, because the soils in any one association ordinarily differ in slope, depth, stoniness, drainage, and other characteristics that affect their management.

The seven soil associations in Wayne County are described in the following pages.

1. Norfolk-Goldsboro-Aycock association

Well drained and moderately well drained, nearly level to sloping soils that have a friable sandy loam to clay loam subsoil; on uplands

This soil association consists of broad, slightly convex divides that are rounded along the drainageways. The areas are dissected by many fairly deep drainageways. The side slopes are short.

This association makes up about 37 percent of Wayne County. It is about 35 percent Norfolk soils, 8 percent Goldsboro soils, and 5 percent Aycock soils. Minor soils make up the remaining 52 percent.

Norfolk soils are well drained. Their surface layer ranges from grayish-brown loamy sand in the uneroded areas to yellowish-brown sandy loam in the eroded areas. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam that is commonly yellowish brown and brownish yellow, but ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown.

Goldsboro soils are moderately well drained. Their surface layer is grayish-brown to dark grayish-brown loamy sand. The subsoil is pale-brown to yellowish-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam and has gray mottles within a depth of 30 inches.

Aycock soils are well drained. The surface layer ranges from grayish-brown to light yellowish-brown very fine sandy loam. The subsoil is yellowish-brown or brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable loam to clay loam.

The minor soils are mainly Lynchburg, Rains, Wagram, Dragston, Weston, Nahunta, Exum, Bibb, Ruston, and Craven soils.

Most of this association is cultivated, and a small acreage is pastured. The major soils are well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly corn, tobacco, soybeans, small grain, and some truck crops.

Slope and a seasonal high water table are the chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils of this association for farm and nonfarm purposes.

2. Wagram-Kenansville association

Well-drained, nearly level to strongly sloping soils that have a friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam subsoil; on uplands and terraces

This soil association consists of broad, smooth divides that are rounded near drainageways. The areas of this association are dissected by fairly deep drainageways.

This association makes up about 20 percent of Wayne County. It is about 40 percent Wagram soils and 30 percent Kenansville soils. The remaining 30 percent is minor soils.

Wagram soils are well drained. Their surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-brown or brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

Kenansville soils are well drained. Their surface layer ranges from grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 20 to 30 inches thick. The subsoil is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown, dominantly friable sandy loam.

The minor soils are mainly Dragston, Weston, Lynchburg, Rains, Torhunta, Bibb, Troup, Norfolk, and Lucy soils.

Most of this association is cultivated, and a small acreage is pastured. The major soils are suited to fairly well suited to most locally grown crops. The main crops are corn, soybeans, tobacco, small grain, and some truck crops.

Slope, low available water capacity, and soil blowing are the chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils of this association for farm and nonfarm purposes.

3. *Lakeland-Troup association*

Excessively drained to well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils that are sandy throughout or have a friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam subsoil; on uplands and terraces

This soil association consists of long, broad divides that are slightly convex and undulating. It is dissected by a few deep drainageways.

This association makes up about 10 percent of Wayne County. It is about 35 percent Lakeland soils and about 30 percent Troup soils. The remaining 35 percent is minor soils.

Lakeland soils are excessively drained sand. Their surface layer is dark-gray to pale-brown, loose sand 2 to 8 inches thick. The underlying layers, to a depth of more than 72 inches, are loose sand that is light yellowish brown to strong brown in the upper part and yellow to light gray in the lower part.

Troup soils are well drained. Their surface layer is grayish-brown to light-gray, loose sand 40 to 72 inches thick. The subsoil is brownish-yellow and strong-brown to yellowish-red, friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam.

The minor soils are mainly Kenansville, Wagram, Dragston, Weston, Craven, Kalmia, Rimini, and Bibb soils.

Most of this association is wooded. Longleaf pine and turkey oak are the main trees. Most of the cleared areas are idle land. The major soils are fairly well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans.

Very low fertility, very low available water capacity, and soil blowing are the chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils in this association for farm and nonfarm purposes.

4. *Rains-Torhunta-Liddell association*

Poorly drained to very poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable and very friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam subsoil; on uplands and terraces

This soil association consists of broad, smooth, flat areas at the heads of permanent streams and in oval depressions. There are only a few intermittent streams.

This association makes up about 15 percent of Wayne County. It is about 45 percent Rains soils, 10 percent Torhunta soils, and 7 percent Liddell soils. The remaining 38 percent is minor soils.

Rains soils are poorly drained. Their surface layer is sandy loam and ranges from dark gray or gray to very dark gray. The subsoil is gray to light-gray, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

Torhunta soils are very poorly drained. Their surface layer is black to very dark gray loam. The subsoil is dark grayish-brown to gray, friable sandy loam or fine sandy loam.

Liddell soils also are poorly drained. Their surface layer is dark gray to very dark gray very fine sandy loam. The subsoil is gray to light-gray, very friable, very fine sandy loam to silt loam.

The minor soils are chiefly Lynchburg, Goldsboro, Dragston, Weston, Nahunta, Myatt, and Pantego soils.

Most of this association is wooded, mainly in loblolly pine. The rest of the acreage is used mostly for corn, soybeans, and pasture. The major soils, if artificially drained, are well suited or suited to these crops. Wetness is a severe limitation mainly because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding. Surface and sub-surface drainage is needed before the major soils can be cultivated or pastured.

The chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils in this association for farm and nonfarm purposes are the seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and infrequent floods.

5. *Wickham-Johns association*

Well-drained to somewhat poorly drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils that have a friable sandy loam to clay loam subsoil; on terraces

This association consists of fairly broad, long, low ridges and depressions on stream terraces. It is on the terrace along the Neuse and Little Rivers.

This association makes up about 5 percent of Wayne County. It is about 32 percent Wickham soils and 20 percent Johns soils. The remaining 48 percent is minor soils.

Wickham soils are well drained. Their surface layer is grayish-brown to strong-brown loamy sand to sandy loam. The subsoil is dominantly yellowish-red, friable clay loam to sandy loam.

Johns soils are somewhat poorly drained. Their surface layer ranges from dark-gray to grayish-brown sandy loam. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam and is pale brown or light yellowish brown and yellowish brown in the upper part and gray in the lower part.

The minor soils are mainly Kenansville, Kalmia, Dragston, Weston, Leaf, Torhunta, and Bibb soils.

Most of this association is cultivated and pastured. The rest is wooded. The Wickham soils are well suited to all major crops grown locally. Where artificially drained, Johns soils are well suited to most crops. The important crops are corn, soybeans, small grain, tobacco, and truck crops. The forest type is loblolly pine and mixed hardwoods.

Slope, a seasonal high water table, and infrequent floods are the chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils in this association for farm and nonfarm purposes.

6. *Johnston-Chewacla-Kinston association*

Very poorly drained to somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable sandy loam to clay loam subsoil; on flood plains.

This association consists of soils on flood plains along the major streams. This association makes up about 8 percent of Wayne County. It is about 40 percent Johnston soils, 10 percent Chewacla soils, and 10 percent Kinston soils. The remaining 40 percent is minor soils.

Johnston soils are very poorly drained. Their surface layer is loam that ranges from black to very dark gray. The subsoil is grayish-brown to gray, friable sandy loam to loam.

Chewacla soils are somewhat poorly drained. Their surface layer is dark grayish-brown to brown loam. The subsoil is friable sandy loam to clay loam. The upper part is pale brown, light yellowish brown, or brown mottled with gray. The lower part is gray mottled with yellowish brown and strong brown.

Kinston soils are poorly drained. Their surface layer is dark-gray to gray loam. The subsoil is friable loam to clay loam that is dominantly gray but ranges from dark gray to light gray.

The minor soils are mainly Bibb, Pamlico, Lumbee, and Leaf soils.

Nearly all of this association is wooded, and the principal forest type is mixed hardwoods. Most of the cleared acreage is cultivated to corn and soybeans. The soils are suited to well suited to corn and soybeans where flooding is controlled and subsurface drains are installed. These soils have very severe to severe limitations because of wetness. They are subject to very frequent floods and have a seasonal high water table (fig. 2).

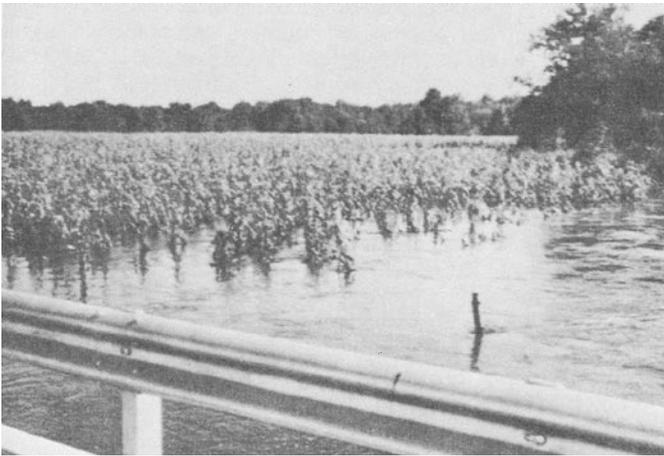


Figure 2.—Flooded cornfield in the Johnston-Chewacla-Kinston association.

A seasonal high water table and very frequent floods are the chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils in this association for farm and nonfarm purposes.

7. Lumbee-Torhunta association

Poorly drained to very poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam subsoil; on uplands and terraces

This association consists of broad, smooth, flat areas on stream terraces and makes up about 5 percent of Wayne County. It is about 27 percent Lumbee soils and 23 percent Torhunta soils. The remaining 50 percent is minor soils.

Lumbee soils are poorly drained. Their surface layer is dark gray to very dark gray sandy loam. The subsoil is gray or light-gray to light brownish-gray, friable

sandy clay loam to sandy loam. The solum is underlain by sandy sediments at a depth of about 40 inches.

Torhunta soils are very poorly drained. Their surface layer is black to very dark gray loam. The subsoil is dark grayish-brown to gray, friable sandy loam or fine sandy loam.

The minor soils are mainly Weston, Pantego, Leaf, Dragston, and Johns soils.

Most of this association is wooded. The forest type is loblolly pine and mixed hardwoods. Cultivated areas are used chiefly for corn and soybeans. Where artificially drained, these soils are suited to well suited to a few locally grown crops.

A seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and infrequent floods are the chief hazards limiting the use of the major soils in this association for farm and non-farm purposes.

Descriptions of the Soils

This section describes the soil series and mapping units in Wayne County. Each soil series is described in considerable detail, and then, briefly, each mapping unit in that series. Unless it is specifically mentioned otherwise, it is to be assumed that what is stated about the soil series holds true for the mapping units in that series. Thus, to get full information about any one mapping unit, it is necessary to read both the description of the mapping unit and the description of the soil series to which it belongs.

An important part of the description of each soil series is the soil profile, that is, the sequence of layers from the surface downward to rock or other underlying material. Each series contains two descriptions of this profile. The first is brief and in terms familiar to the layman. The second, detailed and in technical terms, is for scientists, engineers, and others who need to make thorough and precise studies of soils.

Following the name of each mapping unit is a symbol in parentheses. This symbol identifies the mapping unit on the detailed soil map. Listed at the end of each description of a mapping unit is the capability unit and woodland group in which the mapping unit has been placed. The page for the description of each capability unit can be found by referring to the "Guide to Mapping Units" at the back of this survey.

The acreage and proportionate extent of each mapping unit are shown in table 1. Many of the terms used in describing soils can be found in the Glossary at the end of this survey, and more detailed information about the terminology and methods of soil mapping can be obtained from the Soil Survey Manual (7).¹

A given soil series in this county may be identified by a different name in a recently published soil survey of an adjacent county. Such differences in name result from changes in the concepts of soil classification that have occurred since publication. The characteristics of the soil series described in this county are considered to be within the range defined for that series. In those instances where a soil series has one or more features outside the defined range, the differences are explained.

¹ Italic numbers in parentheses refer to Literature Cited, p. 71.

TABLE 1.—Approximate acreage and proportionate extent of the soils

Soil	Acreage	Extent	Soil	Acreage	Extent
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Percent</i>		<i>Acres</i>	<i>Percent</i>
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	4,845	1.4	Lumbee sandy loam	5,885	1.7
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes	1,005	.3	Lynchburg sandy loam	20,452	5.8
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	1,636	.5	Myatt very fine sandy loam	5,015	1.4
Barclay very fine sandy loam	3,117	.9	Nahunta very fine sandy loam	4,491	1.3
Bibb sandy loam	19,334	5.4	Nixonton very fine sandy loam	1,090	.3
Chewacla loam	3,976	1.1	Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	29,919	8.4
Coxville loam	1,092	.3	Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	11,543	3.2
Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	1,529	.4	Norfolk loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes	5,296	1.5
Craven sandy loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, eroded	4,462	1.2	Norfolk sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	5,849	1.6
Dragston loamy sand	11,293	3.2	Pamlico muck	551	.2
Exum very fine sandy loam	4,093	1.2	Pantego loam	1,884	.5
Goldsboro loamy sand	14,013	4.0	Rains sandy loam	27,545	7.7
Johns sandy loam	3,924	1.1	Rimini sand	1,021	.3
Johnston loam	12,027	3.4	Ruston loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	2,136	.6
Kalmia loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	3,174	.9	Ruston loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	1,977	.6
Kalmia loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	620	.2	Ruston sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	2,392	.7
Kalmia loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes	1,081	.3	Torhunta loam	10,244	2.9
Kalmia loamy sand, 15 to 25 percent slopes	1,368	.4	Troup sand	12,865	3.6
Kenansville loamy sand	24,576	6.9	Wagram loamy sand, 0 to 6 percent slopes	32,162	9.1
Kinston loam	3,989	1.1	Wagram loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes	7,204	2.0
Lakeland sand	14,023	3.9	Wagram loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes	2,269	.6
Leaf loam	3,711	1.0	Weston loamy sand	9,544	2.7
Leon sand	2,232	.6	Wickham loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	3,413	1.0
Liddell very fine sandy loam	4,050	1.1	Wickham loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	1,570	.4
Lucy loamy sand	2,685	.8	Wickham sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	1,028	.3
			Total	355,200	100.0

Aycock Series

The Aycock series consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on broad, smooth, slightly convex divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and pale-brown very fine sandy loam about 14 inches thick. The subsoil is about 54 inches thick. It is yellowish-brown, friable loam and clay loam in the upper part and brownish-yellow, friable loam in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 80 inches, is mottled brownish-yellow, light-brownish gray, and red, friable very fine sandy loam.

Aycock soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low to moderate shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Aycock soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated. Slope is the major limitation for use.

Representative profile of Aycock very fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes, 12 miles east of Goldsboro, 0.3 mile west of intersection of Road 1576 and U. S. Highway No. 13, 50 feet south of Road 1576, in a cultivated field:

Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

A2—8 to 14 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B1—14 to 16 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) loam; streaked with pale brown (10YR 6/3); weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; many small pores; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B21t—16 to 26 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) clay loam; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; common small pores; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B22t—26 to 40 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) loam; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; common small pores; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B3t—40 to 68 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) loam; few, medium, distinct, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) and red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

C—68 to 80 inches, mottled brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8), light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2), and red (2.5YR 5/8) very fine sandy loam; massive; friable; few hard and soft nodules; very strongly acid.

Aycock soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 4 to 20 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons range from grayish brown in the un-eroded areas to light yellowish brown in the more eroded areas. The A2 horizon is pale brown to light yellowish brown. The B horizon ranges from 50 to more than 65

inches in thickness and is loam to clay loam. The sand is dominantly very fine sand. The B horizon ranges from yellowish brown or brownish yellow to strong brown and is mottled with light brownish gray, yellowish red, and red in the lower part. The C horizon is mottled brownish-yellow, light brownish-gray, and red very fine sandy loam to clay loam.

Aycock very fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes (AyA).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth, broad divides. The mapped areas are irregular in shape and range from 5 to about 50 acres in size. This soil has the profile described as representative for the series. The surface layer is grayish-brown very fine sandy loam 8 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-brown or brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable loam to clay loam 50 to more than 65 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Aycock soils that have a silt loam, loam, or fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Exum, Nixonton, Ruston, and Norfolk soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used mostly for tobacco, corn, and soybeans. Some areas are used for truck crops, small grain, and pasture. There are no major hazards or limitations for intensive use for this soil. Nearly all the acreage is cultivated. Capability unit I-1; woodland group 2o1.

Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes (AyB).—This is a well-drained soil on the smooth sides of broad divides. The mapped areas are elongated and range from 5 to 20 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown very fine sandy loam 8 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-brown or brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable loam to clay loam 50 to more than 65 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Aycock soils that have a silt loam, loam, or fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some eroded areas of Aycock soils and some areas of Ruston, Craven, and Norfolk soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is medium. The soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used chiefly for tobacco, corn, and soybeans, but pasture, small grain, truck crops, and cotton are also grown. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion in cultivated areas. Most of the acreage is cultivated. The shortest slopes are forested. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o1.

Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded (AyB2).—This is a very well drained soil on smooth sides of broad divides. The mapped areas are elongated and range from 5 to 20 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish brown or pale brown in the less eroded areas to light yellowish brown in the more eroded spots. It is dominantly very fine sandy loam 4 to 8 inches thick. In places, it is a mixture of material from the surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is yellowish-brown or brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable loam to clay loam 50 to more than 65 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Aycock soils that have a silt loam, loam, and fine sandy loam surface layer. In addition, some spots are severely eroded and the subsoil is exposed. Small areas of Ruston, Craven, and Norfolk soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderately slow, and surface runoff is medium. Because the surface layer is thin, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth, but it can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content. The severely eroded spots crust as they dry after a hard rain or become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used mainly for soybeans, corn, small grain, and pasture. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion in cultivated areas. Most of the acreage of this soil is cultivated. Only a small acreage is in forest or pasture. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o1.

Barclay Series

The Barclay series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on smooth, flat, and broad interstream divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is about 1½ feet below the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is gray and pale-brown very fine sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The subsoil is very friable very fine sandy loam about 30 inches thick. It is pale yellow in the upper part and mottled light gray, brownish yellow, and strong brown in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is mottled light-gray, pinkish-gray, strong-brown, and brownish-yellow, very friable very fine sandy loam.

Barclay soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Barclay soils are fairly important for farming, and about half the acreage is cultivated. A seasonal high water table is the major limitation for use.

Representative profile of Barclay very fine sandy loam, 12 miles east of Goldsboro, 300 feet northwest of intersection of Road 1568 and U.S. Highway No. 13, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 6 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; medium acid; abrupt, wavy boundary.
- A2—6 to 10 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B21—10 to 22 inches, pale-yellow (2.5Y 7/4) very fine sandy loam; few, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) mottles, and few, fine, faint, light-gray mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; many small pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

B22g—22 to 40 inches, mottled light-gray (10YR 7/1), brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6), and strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) very fine sandy loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

Cg—40 to 65 inches, mottled light-gray (10YR 7/1), pinkish-gray (7.5YR 7/2), strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8), and brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) very fine sandy loam; thin layers of silt loam and loamy very fine sand; massive; very friable; slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid.

Barclay soils have a solum that ranges from 36 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon ranges from 10 to 20 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray to gray. The A2 horizon is grayish brown to pale brown. The B horizon ranges from 26 to 40 inches in thickness and is very fine sandy loam to silt loam. The sand is dominantly very fine sand. The upper part of the B horizon is pale yellow or light yellowish brown mottled with light gray to brownish yellow. The lower part is light gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, or yellowish red. The C horizon is commonly mottled light gray, pinkish gray, brownish yellow, or strong brown and ranges from very fine sandy loam to silt loam.

Although these soils have siliceous mineralogy that is outside the range defined for the series, this difference does not alter their usefulness or behavior.

Barclay very fine sandy loam (Bc).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soils on smooth, interstream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are wide and range from 10 to about 150 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to gray very fine sandy loam 10 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is friable very fine sandy loam to silt loam 26 to 40 inches thick. The upper part is pale yellow to light yellowish brown mottled with light gray and brownish yellow; the lower part is light gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, or yellowish red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Barclay soils that have a loam or silt loam surface layer. In a few areas are soils that have a weakly cemented layer in the lower part of the subsoil, but otherwise are similar to Barclay soils. Some areas of Liddell and Nixonton soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to most crops grown locally. Corn and soybeans are the chief crops, but small grain and truck crops are important. The dominant trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. This soil has a moderate wetness limitation because of the seasonal high water table. About half the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is forested. A small acreage is pastured. Capability unit IIw-2; woodland group 2w8.

Bibb Series

The Bibb series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on flood plains. These soils formed in recent alluvium. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark grayish-brown sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The next layers, to a depth of about 55 inches, are dark-gray, gray, and very dark-gray, friable sandy loam. The under-

lying material, to a depth of about 65 inches, is dark grayish-brown, loose loamy sand and sand.

Bibb soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. These soils are flooded very frequently for short periods. Crops grown on these soils respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Bibb soils are not important for farming. Nearly all of the acreage is in woods, and only a small acreage is cultivated and in pasture.

A seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and very frequently floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Bibb sandy loam, 2 miles west of Mt. Olive, 0.2 mile north of intersection of State Route 55 and Road 1117, 150 feet northwest of bridge, and 30 feet north of stream; on a wooded flood plain:

A1—0 to 10 inches, dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

C1g—10 to 24 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

C2g—24 to 43 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy loam and thin layers of loamy sand; common, medium, faint, light-gray (10YR 7/1) and dark-gray (10YR 4/1) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and nonplastic; few small roots; strongly acid; abrupt, wavy boundary.

Ab—43 to 55 inches, very dark gray (10YR 3/1) sandy loam; massive; friable, slightly sticky and nonplastic; strongly acid; gradual boundary.

C3g—55 to 65 inches, dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) loamy sand and sand; single grain; loose; strongly acid.

The A horizon ranges from 6 to 20 inches in thickness and is dark gray to dark grayish brown. The C1 and C2 horizons are dark-gray to light-gray loamy sand to loam and are commonly sandy loam. The C3 horizon ranges from light-gray to black sandy loam or loam.

Bibb sandy loam (Bb).—This is a poorly drained soil on flood plains. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are long, narrow bands and range from 3 acres to several hundred acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to dark grayish-brown sandy loam 6 to 20 inches thick. Below this are layers of dark-gray to light-gray, friable loamy sand to loam.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Bibb soils that have a loam, silt loam, and loamy sand surface layer. Also included were some areas of Kinston and Johnston soils and small areas of soils that are nonacid but otherwise similar to Bibb soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is suited to a few locally grown crops. It has very severe limitations for most uses because of the seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and very frequent floods. Surface and subsurface drainage and protection from floods are needed for most uses. Nearly all the acreage is in mixed hardwoods and pines. Capability unit IVw-4; woodland group 2w9.

Chewacla Series

The Chewacla series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on flood plains. These soils formed in recent alluvium. The seasonal high water table is about 1½ feet below the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark grayish-brown and brown loam about 6 inches thick. The subsoil is a friable loam about 34 inches thick. The upper part is pale brown mottled with yellowish brown and gray. The lower part is gray mottled with yellowish brown. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 75 inches, is gray, friable loam and sandy loam mottled with strong brown.

Chewacla soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. The soils are flooded very frequently, but only for brief periods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Chewacla soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is in forest, and only a small acreage is in pasture and cultivated crops.

A seasonal high water table and very frequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Chewacla loam, 1 mile west of Goldsboro and 0.3 mile north of Little River Bridge over State Route 581, 100 feet east of Little River, in a forested area:

- A11—0 to 2 inches, dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) loam; weak, medium and coarse, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; many small flakes of mica; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- A12—2 to 6 inches, brown (10YR 5/3) loam; weak, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; many small pores; few fine flakes of mica; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B1—6 to 25 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loam; common, fine, distinct, yellowish-brown mottles, and common, coarse, distinct, gray (10YR 6/1) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; common small pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B2g—25 to 40 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loam; many, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; silt coatings in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C1g—40 to 50 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loam; common, fine, distinct, strong-brown mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small mica flakes; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C2g—50 to 75 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loam and sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small mica flakes; very strongly acid.

The solum ranges from 36 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon ranges from 6 to 10 inches in thickness and is dark grayish brown to brown. The B horizon ranges from 30 to 50 inches in thickness and is sandy loam to clay loam. It is pale brown, light yellowish brown, or brown to gray and is mottled with light gray, yellowish brown, and strong brown. The lower part of the B horizon is grayer than the upper part. The C horizon is gray and ranges from loam to gravelly loamy sand.

Chewacla loam (Ch).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soil on flood plains. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This soil is in long bands, 100 to about 700 feet wide, along the larger streams. The surface layer is dark grayish-brown to brown loam 6 to 10 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy loam to clay loam 30 to 50 inches thick. The upper part is pale brown, light yellowish brown, or brown mottled with gray and the lower part is gray mottled with yellowish brown and strong brown.

Included in mapping were a few areas of Chewacla soils that have a silt loam or sandy loam surface layer. Areas of soils on flood plains that are sandy throughout and areas of Kinston and Bibb soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, chiefly corn and soybeans. Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and very frequent floods. Artificial drainage and protection from floods are needed for most crops. Nearly all the acreage is in forest, and only a small acreage is cleared. The trees are chiefly mixed hardwoods and a few pines. Capability unit IIIw-5; woodland group 1w8.

Coxville Series

The Coxville series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats, on terraces, and in slight depressions between streams on uplands. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray loam about 9 inches thick. The subsoil is about 51 inches thick and is a grayish-brown, friable sandy clay loam in the upper part. It is gray, firm sandy clay in the middle part, and gray, friable sandy clay loam in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 70 inches, in gray, friable sandy loam.

Coxville soils are medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. They have moderately slow permeability, medium available water capacity, and moderate shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Coxville soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is forested. A seasonal high water table and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Coxville loam, 6 miles south-east of Goldsboro, 50 feet northwest of intersection of Roads 1911 and 1960, 10 feet east of Road 1960, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 9 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; very strongly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- B1—9 to 16 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) sandy clay loam; weak, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; common small and large pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B2tg—16 to 42 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy clay; common, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; firm, sticky and plastic; few small roots in upper part; few pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; thin dis-

continuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B3tg—42 to 60 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; few, fine, distinct, yellowish-brown mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; extremely acid; clear, irregular boundary.

Cg—60 to 70 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid.

Coxville soils have a solum that is about 60 inches thick. The A horizon is 6 to 15 inches thick and ranges from gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part of the A horizon, where present, is less than 6 inches thick. The B horizon is more than 50 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy clay. The B2 and B3 horizons are gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and red. The C horizon is commonly light gray and ranges from sandy loam to sandy clay.

Coxville loam (Co).—This is a poorly drained soil on flats and in slight depressions on the uplands and terraces. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are irregular in shape and range from 30 to 40 acres in size. The surface layer is gray to very dark-gray loam 6 to 15 inches thick. The very dark gray part of the surface layer, where present, is less than 6 inches thick. The subsoil is gray, firm, sandy clay to friable sandy clay loam more than 50 inches thick. It is mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Coxville soils that have a sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Lumbee, Rains, Myatt, and Leaf soils.

Infiltration is moderate and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content. The surface layer becomes cloddy if worked when wet.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding. In cultivated areas, surface and subsurface drainage is needed. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated or pastured. The trees are mainly loblolly pine. Capability unit IIIw-2; woodland group 2w9.

Craven Series

The Craven series consists of moderately well drained, gently sloping to sloping soils on rounded sides of divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of about 2½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is light yellowish-brown sandy loam about 6 inches thick. The subsoil is brownish yellow and is about 44 inches thick. It is very firm clay in the upper part and is firm clay loam mottled with yellow, light gray, and red in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 60 inches, is mottled brownish-yellow, yellow, light-gray, and red, firm clay loam.

Craven soils are medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. They have slow permeability, medium available water capacity, and high shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Craven soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is wooded. Slope and slow permeability are the major limitations for use.

Representative profile of Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded, 1 mile south of Fremont, 0.7 mile west of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 117 and Road 1361, 300 feet south of Road 1361, in a cultivated field:

Ap—0 to 6 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; many small pores; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

B21t—6 to 22 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) clay; few, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; strong, fine and medium, angular blocky structure; very firm, sticky and very plastic; thin, continuous, strong-brown clay films on faces of peds; many small roots between peds; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

B22t—22 to 32 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) clay; few, medium, distinct, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles and common, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; moderate, fine, angular blocky structure; very firm, sticky and very plastic; thin, continuous, strong-brown clay films on faces of peds; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

B3—32 to 50 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) clay loam; common, medium, distinct, yellow (10YR 7/6), light-gray (10YR 7/1), and red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; moderate, medium, angular blocky structure; massive in lower part; firm, sticky and plastic; thin strong-brown, clay films on faces of peds and in pores and cracks; few soft mineral grains; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

C—50 to 60 inches, mottled brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6), yellow (10YR 7/6), light-gray (10YR 7/1), and red (2.5YR 4/8) clay loam; massive; firm, sticky and plastic; strongly acid.

Craven soils have a solum ranging from 40 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 4 to 8 inches thick and is grayish brown in the uneroded areas to yellowish brown in the more eroded areas. The B horizon ranges from 36 to 52 inches in thickness and is very firm clay to firm clay loam. The B horizon ranges from brownish yellow to yellowish red mottled with gray, yellow, red, and strong brown. The C horizon is commonly mottled brownish yellow, yellow, light-gray, and red and ranges from sandy loam to clay loam.

Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded (CrB2).—This is a moderately well drained soil on smooth sides of divides. This soil has the profile described as representative for the series. The mapped areas are long and narrow and range from 5 to 25 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish brown in the less eroded areas to yellowish brown in the more eroded areas and is dominantly sandy loam 4 to 8 inches thick. In places, it is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is brownish-yellow to yellowish-red, very firm clay to firm clay loam 36 to 52 inches thick. It is mottled with gray, yellow, red, and strong brown in the lower part.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Craven soils that have a loamy sand and very fine sandy loam surface layer and some severely eroded spots where the subsoil is exposed. Also included were some areas of Norfolk, Wagram, and Ruston soils.

Infiltration is moderately slow, and surface runoff is medium. Because of the thin surface layer, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content. The severely eroded spots crust as they dry after a hard rain or

become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth.

This soil is suited to most locally grown crops and is used for corn, soybeans, and small grain. The erosion hazard is moderate because of slope and slow permeability. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion in cultivated areas. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IIe-3; woodland group 3w2.

Craven sandy loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, eroded (CrC2).—This is a moderately well drained soil on short sides of divides. The mapped areas are narrow and long and range from 5 to 20 acres in size. The surface layer ranges from grayish brown in the less eroded areas to yellowish brown in the more eroded areas and is dominantly sandy loam 4 to 8 inches thick. In places, it is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is brownish-yellow to yellowish-red, very firm clay to firm clay loam 36 to 52 inches thick. It is mottled with gray, yellow, red, and strong brown in the lower part.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Craven soils that have a surface layer of loamy sand or very fine sandy loam and some severely eroded spots where the subsoil is exposed. Also included were a few areas that have slopes greater than 10 percent. Some areas of Norfolk, Ruston, and Wagram soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderately slow, and surface runoff is rapid. Because the surface layer is thin, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content. The severely eroded spots crust as they dry after a hard rain or become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth.

This soil is fairly well suited to most locally grown crops, but the size and shape of the mapped areas limit their use for cultivation. The cleared areas are used chiefly for pasture, small grain, and hay crops. The erosion hazard is severe because of slope and slow permeability. Intensive conservation practices are needed to control runoff and erosion in cultivated areas. Most of the acreage of this soil is forested, and the rest is chiefly cultivated or pastured. Capability unit IIIe-2; woodland group 3w2.

Dragston Series

The Dragston series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils in smooth, flat areas on broad interstream divides on uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is about 1½ feet below the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and light brownish-gray loamy sand about 12 inches thick. The subsoil is about 36 inches thick. The upper part is pale-brown and light yellowish-brown, very friable and friable sandy loam, and the lower part is grayish-brown, very friable loamy sand. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 75 inches, is light-gray, loose sand.

Dragston soils are low in fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderately rapid permeability, me-

dium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Dragston soils are of minor importance for farming. About half of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested. A seasonal high water table is the major limitation for use.

Representative profile of Dragston loamy sand, 14 miles south of Goldsboro, 0.3 mile southeast of intersection of Roads 1949 and 1744, 0.2 mile south of Road 1949, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 12 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1t—12 to 16 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable; many small roots; clay coating and bridging on sand grains; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21t—16 to 28 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2), and yellowish-brown (10YR 5/4) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; common pores; thin, discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—28 to 42 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, light-gray (10YR 7/1) and yellowish-brown (10YR 5/4) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of a few peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3g—42 to 48 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; common, coarse, faint-brown (10YR 5/3) mottles, and common, medium, faint, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and non-plastic; thin clay coatings on sand grains; extremely acid; gradual, irregular boundary.
- Og—48 to 75 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/1) uncoated sand and pockets of grayish-brown (10YR 5/2), faintly coated sand; single grain; loose; extremely acid.

Dragston soils have a solum that ranges from 35 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 12 to 20 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray to grayish brown. The A2 horizon is light brownish gray to very pale brown. The Bt horizon is 23 to 40 inches thick. It is pale brown to yellowish brown and is mottled with light brownish gray, gray, brownish yellow, and strong brown. The lower part of the B horizon is grayer than the upper part. The C horizon is commonly light gray and ranges from uncoated sand to sandy loam.

Dragston loamy sand (Dr).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soil on broad, smooth flats of interstream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are wide and range from about 20 to 50 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to grayish-brown loamy sand 12 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is pale-brown to yellowish-brown, friable sandy loam 23 to 40 inches thick and is mottled with gray, light brownish gray, brownish yellow, and strong brown. The lower part of the subsoil is grayer than the upper part.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Dragston soils that have a sandy loam surface layer and a few areas of soils that have a thicker surface layer

but otherwise are similar to Dragston soils. Also included were some areas of Weston, Lynchburg, Rains, Johns, and Lumbee soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to most locally grown crops. Corn and soybeans are the main crops, but small grain, truck crops, and pasture crops are also important. The dominant trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. This soil has a moderate wetness limitation because of a seasonal high water table. Drainage is needed for most crops. About half of the acreage is cultivated. The rest is in pasture and forest. Capability unit IIw-2; woodland group 2w8.

Exum Series

The Exum series consists of moderately well drained, nearly level soils on smooth, broad divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 2½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and pale-brown very fine sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The subsoil is about 55 inches thick and is yellowish-brown, friable clay loam in the upper part. The lower part is light yellowish-brown, friable loam mottled with light brownish gray and red. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 70 inches, is pale-brown, friable loam mottled with light gray, brownish yellow, and red.

Exum soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Exum soils are important for farming, and most of the acreage is cultivated. A seasonal high water table is the major hazard limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Exum very fine sandy loam, 0.3 mile west of Fremont, 50 feet south of Road 1359, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 9 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—9 to 10 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21t—10 to 24 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) clay loam; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; common small roots; few small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; thin, discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—24 to 40 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) loam; common, medium, distinct, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) and red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3t—40 to 65 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) loam; many, coarse, distinct, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) mottles, and few, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly

plastic; thin clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.
C—65 to 70 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loam; many, coarse, distinct, light-gray (10YR 7/1) and brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and few, fine, prominent, red mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid.

Exum soils have a solum that is more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon is 8 to 15 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown to dark grayish brown, and the A2 horizon is pale brown to light yellowish brown. The B horizon is more than 50 inches thick and is loam to clay loam. The sand is dominantly very fine sand. The B horizon is pale brown to yellowish brown mottled with light brownish gray, brownish yellow, and red. The grayish mottles are within 30 inches of the surface. The C horizon is mottled pale brown, light gray, and brownish yellow, and is very fine sandy loam to clay loam.

Exum very fine sandy loam (Ex).—This is a moderately well drained soil on broad, smooth divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are near shallow drainageways. These areas are nearly as wide as they are long and range from 10 to 24 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to dark grayish-brown very fine sandy loam 8 to 15 inches thick. The subsoil is pale-brown to yellowish-brown, friable loam to clay loam more than 50 inches thick. It is mottled with light brownish gray, brownish yellow, and red in the lower part.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Exum soils that have a loam, silt loam, and fine sandy loam surface layer. In a few small areas are soils that have brittle consistence in the lower part of the subsoil but otherwise are similar to Exum soils. Some areas of Aycock, Nahunta, Norfolk, and Goldsboro soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used mainly for corn, soybeans, tobacco, small grain, and truck crops. Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table. In places artificial drainage is needed for tobacco and other crops that require good drainage. Most of the acreage is cultivated. The rest is in pasture and forests. Capability unit IIw-1; woodland group 2w8.

Goldsboro Series

The Goldsboro series consists of moderately well drained, nearly level soils on smooth, broad divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 2½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and pale-brown loamy sand about 12 inches thick. The subsoil extends to a depth of about 76 inches. The upper part is brownish-yellow and yellowish-brown, friable sandy loam and sandy clay loam. The middle part is pale-brown, friable sandy clay loam mottled with gray and yellowish brown. The lower part is gray, friable sandy clay loam and sandy loam mottled with red and brownish yellow.

Goldsboro soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell poten-

tial. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

These soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated. The rest is in pasture and forest. A seasonal high water table is the major hazard limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Goldsboro loamy sand, 5 miles northeast of Goldsboro, 0.4 mile north of Stony Creek Church, and 0.3 mile west of intersection of Roads 1523 and 1545, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 12 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1—12 to 15 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) sandy loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B21t—15 to 25 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) sandy clay loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—25 to 45 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, gray (10YR 6/1) and yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B23tg—45 to 65 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles, and common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; clear, irregular boundary.
- B3g—65 to 76 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam having strata of sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid.

Goldsboro soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 8 to 15 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown to dark grayish brown. The A2 horizon is pale brown to very pale brown. The B horizon is more than 50 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is pale brown to yellowish brown in the upper part and mottled with gray, brownish yellow, and red. Gray mottles are within 30 inches of the soil surface. The lower part of the B horizon is gray to light gray.

Goldsboro loamy sand (Go).—This is a moderately well drained soil on broad, smooth divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are near shallow drainageways. They are nearly as wide as they are long and range from 10 to 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to dark grayish-brown loamy sand 8 to 15 inches thick. The subsoil is pale-brown to yellowish-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 50 inches thick. The lower part is mottled with gray, brownish yellow, and red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Goldsboro soils that have a fine sandy loam and very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were areas of Norfolk and Lynchburg soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used mainly for corn, soybeans, tobacco, small grain, pasture, and truck crops. Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table. In places, artificial drainage is needed for tobacco and other crops that require good drainage. Most of the acreage is cultivated. The rest is in pasture and forest. Capability unit IIw-1; woodland group 2w8.

Johns Series

The Johns series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth terraces. These soils formed in stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is about 1½ feet below the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and grayish-brown sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The subsoil is about 30 inches thick. The upper part is pale-brown and light yellowish-brown, friable sandy loam and sandy clay loam mottled with brownish-yellow and gray. The lower part is gray, friable sandy loam mottled with brownish-yellow. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is light brownish-gray, loose sand.

Johns soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. About half the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Johns soils are not important for farming. About half of the acreage is cultivated and pastured, and the rest is forested. A seasonal high water table and infrequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Johns sandy loam, 0.5 mile south of Goldsboro, 800 feet northwest of intersection of Roads 1925 and 1924, 100 feet east of railroad tracks, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; abrupt boundary.
- A2—8 to 10 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1—10 to 14 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B2t—14 to 28 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy clay loam; common, coarse, distinct, gray (10YR 6/1) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; common small pores; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3g—28 to 40 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; extremely acid; gradual, irregular boundary.

IICg—40 to 65 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sand; single grain; loose; nonsticky and nonplastic; about half of the grains have very thin coatings of clay; extremely acid.

Johns soils have a solum about 40 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 10 to 20 inches in thickness and is dark gray to grayish brown. The B horizon ranges from 20 to about 30 inches in thickness and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. The upper part of the B horizon ranges from pale brown or light yellowish brown to yellowish brown mottled with gray, brownish yellow, and strong brown. The lower part is gray commonly mottled with brownish yellow or strong brown. The C horizon is light gray to light brownish gray and ranges from sand to gravelly loamy sand.

Johns sandy loam (Jo).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soil on broad, smooth stream terraces. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are in slight depressions and on broad, low ridges. They are much longer than they are wide and range from 20 to 80 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to grayish-brown sandy clay loam to sandy loam 20 to about 30 inches thick. The upper part is pale brown, light yellowish brown, or yellowish brown mottled with gray, brownish yellow, and strong brown. The lower part is gray mottled with brownish yellow or strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Johns soils that have a very fine sandy loam or loamy sand surface layer. Also included were some areas of Lumbee and Kalmia soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to most locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The dominant trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. This soil has a moderate wetness limitation because of the seasonal high water table. About half the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods (fig. 3). Artificial drainage is needed for most crops, but the sandy substratum may make it difficult to install and maintain a drainage system. About half the acreage is cultivated and pastured, and the rest is wooded. Capability unit IIw-2; woodland group 2w2.



Figure 3.—Flooding of Pine Valley Subdivision on Johns sandy loam following an extremely heavy rain.

Johnston Series

The Johnston series consists of very poorly drained, nearly level soils on wide, flat, low flood plains along large drainageways. These soils formed in recent alluvium. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is loam about 28 inches thick that is very dark gray in the upper part and black in the lower part. The subsoil is friable sandy loam about 17 inches thick and is gray in the upper part and grayish brown in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is light-gray, loose sand.

Johnston soils are low in natural fertility and medium to high in organic-matter content. They have moderately rapid permeability, high available water capacity, and moderate to low shrink-swell potential. They are flooded very frequently and for long periods. Crops grown on these soils respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Johnston soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. A seasonal high water table and very frequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Johnston loam, 2.5 miles northeast of Saulston, 100 feet north of Exum Mill Branch on north side of Road 1575, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 10 inches, very dark-gray (10YR 3/1) loam; weak to moderate, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; very strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- A1—10 to 28 inches, black (10YR 2/1) loam; moderate, medium, granular structure; very friable; few small roots; few small pores; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.
- B1g—28 to 32 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy loam; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; weak, medium, granular structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; tongues of black loam from layer above; extremely acid; clear, broken boundary.
- B2g—32 to 45 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) sandy loam; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; weak, medium, granular structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; extremely acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- Cg—45 to 65 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/1) sand; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; very strongly acid.

Johnston soils have a solum that ranges from 30 to 50 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 20 to 30 inches thick and is very dark gray to black. The B horizon is 10 to 20 inches thick and is sandy loam to loam. It is grayish brown to gray commonly mottled with brownish yellow or brown. The C horizon is light gray to dark gray and ranges from coarse sand to loam.

Johnston loam (Js).—This is a very poorly drained, alluvial soil on flood plains. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are in wide valleys and range from 25 to more than 100 acres in size. The surface layer is very dark gray to black loam 20 to 30 inches thick. The subsoil is grayish-brown to gray, friable sandy loam to loam 10 to 20 inches thick and is mottled with brownish yellow and brown (fig. 4).

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Johnston soils that have a silt loam or fine sandy loam surface layer. In some areas are soils that have a

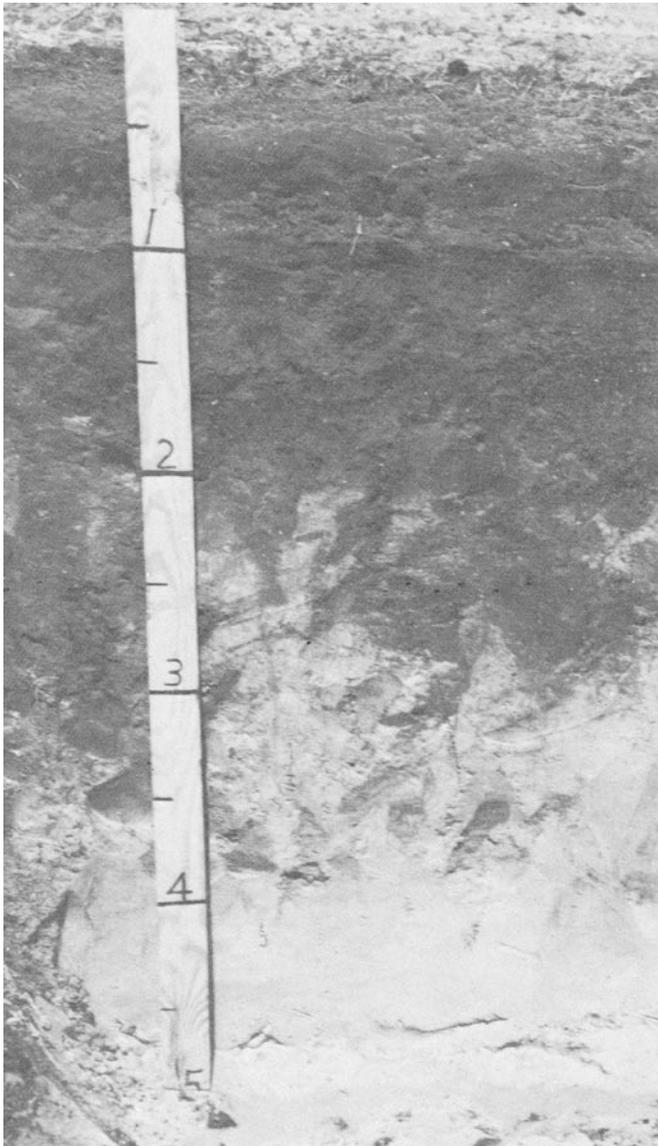


Figure 4.—Profile of Johnston loam.

very dark gray to black surface layer less than 20 inches thick but otherwise are similar to Johnston loam. Areas of Bibb, Kinston, and Pamlico soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is very slow. The water ponds in low places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is suited to a few locally grown crops. It is used chiefly for corn and soybeans. Wetness is a very severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and very frequent floods. Artificial drainage and protection from floods are needed for most uses. Most of the acreage is forested. The rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IVw-4; woodland group 1w9.

Kalmia Series

The Kalmia series consists of well-drained, nearly level to moderately steep soils on broad, smooth terraces and short slopes on upland divides. These soils formed in stream and Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 2½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and pale-brown loamy sand about 12 inches thick. The subsoil is about 28 inches thick. The upper part is dominantly yellowish-brown, friable sandy clay loam, and the lower part is brownish-yellow, friable sandy loam. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 72 inches, is pale-yellow, loose sand.

Kalmia soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. About half the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Kalmia soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated and the rest pastured. Slope and, in places, infrequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Kalmia loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes, 1½ miles west of Goldsboro, 1½ miles north of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 70 and Road 1326, 0.8 mile west of Road 1326, 100 feet east of farm road, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 7 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—7 to 12 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1—12 to 14 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy loam; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B2t—14 to 32 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; weak, fine and medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3t—32 to 40 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) sandy loam; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; sand grains are thinly coated and weakly bridged; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.
- IIC—40 to 72 inches, pale-yellow (2.5Y 7/4) sand; common, fine, faint, yellow mottles; single grain; loose; strongly acid.

Kalmia soils have a solum that commonly ranges from 40 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 8 to 20 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown to gray, and the A2 horizon is pale brown to very pale brown. The B horizon ranges from 12 to about 34 inches in thickness and is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown sandy clay loam to sandy loam. In places the lower part is mottled with yellowish red, strong brown, and gray. The C horizon is pale yellow to light gray and ranges from sand to gravelly loamy sand.

Kalmia loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes (KaA).—This is a well-drained soil on broad, smooth stream terraces. This soil has the profile described as representa-

tive for the series. The mapped areas are on broad, low ridges and range from 10 to 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 8 to 18 inches thick. The subsoil is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam 12 to 30 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of *Kalmia* soils that have a sandy loam and very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were areas of Wickham, Johns, and Kenansville soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly corn, tobacco, soybeans, small grain, and truck crops. About half the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. With this exception, there are no major hazards or limitations for intensive use of this soil. Nearly all of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is used for pasture. Capability Unit I-1; woodland group 2o7.

Kalmia loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes (KaB).—This is a well-drained soil on broad, smooth stream terraces. The mapped areas are on slightly rounded sides of low ridges and range from 5 to 20 acres in size. They are much longer than wide. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 8 to 10 inches thick. The subsoil is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam 12 to 30 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of *Kalmia* soils that have a sandy loam and very fine sandy loam surface layer. In some areas are *Kalmia* soils that have an eroded, yellowish-brown sandy clay loam surface layer. A few areas of Wickham and Kenansville soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. Corn, soybeans, tobacco, and small grain are the main crops. About half the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for very short periods. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate and conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is cultivated or pastured. The areas in forest are mainly on the short slopes of this mapping unit. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o7.

Kalmia loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes (KaD).—This is a well-drained soil on short sides of divides. The mapped areas are long and narrow and range from 5 to about 20 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 8 to 10 inches thick. The subsoil is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam 12 to 34 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of *Kalmia* soils that have a sandy loam and very fine sandy loam surface layer. In some areas are *Kalmia* soils that have an eroded, yellowish-brown, sandy clay loam surface layer. Areas of Ruston, Craven, and Wagram soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is rapid. The soil is easy to keep in good tilth, and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to most locally grown crops. The long and narrow shape of mapped areas limits use for row crops. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is very severe, and intensive conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Nearly all the acreage is forested. The rest is cultivated or pastured. Capability unit IVe-1; woodland group 2o7.

Kalmia loamy sand, 15 to 25 percent slopes (KaE).—This is a well-drained soil on short sides of divides. The mapped areas are long and narrow and range from 10 to 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 8 to 15 inches thick. The subsoil is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam 12 to 30 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of *Kalmia* soils that have a sandy loam and very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some small areas of Norfolk, Wagram, and Kenansville soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is rapid. The soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Because of slope, this soil has a high susceptibility to erosion. It is not suited to cultivation, but is suited to pasture or trees. Nearly all of the acreage is forested. The rest is cultivated or pastured. Capability unit VIe-1; woodland group 2o7.

Kenansville Series

The Kenansville series consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on smooth, broad flats and slightly convex divides on uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is loamy sand about 24 inches thick that is grayish brown in the upper part and pale brown in the lower part. The subsoil is about 16 inches thick and is dominantly yellowish-brown, friable sandy loam in the upper part and brownish yellow, very friable loamy sand in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 70 inches, is yellow sand over gray loamy sand.

Kenansville soils are very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderately rapid permeability, low available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Kenansville soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured or forested. Very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Kenansville loamy sand, 8 miles east of Goldsboro, 0.1 mile north of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 70 and Road 1719, 100 feet north of Walnut Creek Church, and 100 feet east of Road 1719, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 24 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable;

- few small roots; most sand grains uncoated; strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1—24** to 26 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) loamy sand; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; few small roots; thin clay coating and weak bridging of sand grains; strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B2t—26** to 37 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) sandy loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable; slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; clay coating and bridging of sand grains; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B3—37** to 40 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) loamy sand; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; very thin clay coating and weak bridging of sand grains; very strongly acid; clear, irregular boundary.
- C1—40** to 61 inches, yellow (10YR 7/6) sand; common, medium, faint, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and few, fine, light-gray mottles; few, medium, prominent, dark-red (2.5YR 3/6), weakly cemented nodules; single grain; loose; nonsticky and nonplastic; one-half of sand grains have faint clay coatings; very strongly acid.
- C2—61** to 70 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loamy sand with pockets of sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, yellow (10YR 7/6) and strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles; massive; friable; very strongly acid.

Kenansville soils have a solum that ranges from 30 to 50 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 20 to 30 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown to gray. The A2 horizon is pale brown to very pale brown. The B horizon is 10 to about 20 inches thick. It is light yellowish brown to strong brown and, in places, is mottled with strong brown and red. The Bt horizon is sandy loam, and the B1 and B3 horizons are commonly loamy sand. The C horizon is yellow to gray and ranges from sand to loamy sand.

Kenansville loamy sand (Ke).—This is a well-drained soil on broad, smooth flats and slightly convex divides. Slopes are 0 to 6 percent. The mapped areas are about twice as long as wide and range from 5 to as much as 400 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 20 to 30 inches thick. The subsoil is light yellowish-brown to strong-brown, very friable to friable sandy loam and loamy sand about 10 to 20 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of a Kenansville soil that has a sandy surface layer. Also included were areas of Wagram, Troup, and Lakeland soils.

Infiltration is moderately rapid, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to most locally grown crops. It is used mainly for corn, tobacco, soybeans, and small grain. Because the surface layer is thick loamy sand, this soil has moderate limitations of low fertility, leaching, and droughtiness. Where it is cultivated, conservation practices are needed to control soil blowing and reduce leaching and droughtiness. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured or forested. Capability unit IIs-1; woodland group 3s2.

Kinston Series

The Kinston series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on low flood plains. These soils formed in recent alluvium. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray loam about 5 inches thick. The subsoil is about 55 inches thick and is gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, brown, and light gray. The upper part of the subsoil is friable loam, and the lower part is friable clay loam. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 72 inches, is gray sand mixed with some loamy sand and gravel.

Kinston soils are low to medium in natural fertility and medium in organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. These soils are flooded very frequently for long periods. Crops grown on these soils respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Kinston soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is in mixed hardwoods, and the rest is mainly in pasture. Only a small acreage is cultivated.

A seasonal high water table, very frequent floods, and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Kinston loam, a mile west of Goldsboro, 500 feet east of Little River bridge, and 100 feet north of State Route 581, in a wooded area on the flood plain:

- O1—1** inch to 0, dark-brown (7.5YR 3/2), partially decomposed hardwood leaves and grass; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A1—0** to 5 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) loam; moderate, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1g—5** to 12 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loam; common, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; weak, medium, granular structure; friable; slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B2g—12** to 48 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, fine, distinct, strong-brown mottles, and common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and plastic; few small roots; few large pores coated with silt; strongly acid; gradual, smooth boundary.
- B3g—48** to 60 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) clay loam with thin strata of sandy loam; few, fine, distinct, brown mottles, and common, medium, faint, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and plastic; some pores coated with silt; strongly acid; gradual, smooth boundary.
- IICg—60** to 72 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sand with strata of loamy sand and gravel; single grain, loose, non-sticky and nonplastic; strongly acid.

Kinston soils have a solum that ranges from 40 to about 72 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 4 to 10 inches thick and is dark gray to gray. The B horizon is 36 to about 62 inches thick and is loam to clay loam. It is dominantly gray, but ranges from dark gray to light gray and commonly is mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and brown. The C horizon is gray to light gray and ranges from sand to gravelly loamy sand.

Kinston loam (Kn).—This is a poorly drained soil on flood plains. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are long, narrow bands along the larger streams. The surface layer is dark-gray to gray loam 4 to 10 inches thick. The subsoil is friable loam to clay loam 36 to 62 inches thick. It is dominantly gray, but ranges from dark gray to light gray, and is commonly mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Kinston soils that have a silt loam and sandy loam

surface layer. Also included were areas of Johnston, Chewacla, and Bibb soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is suited to a few locally grown crops. The main crops are corn, soybeans, and pasture. Wetness is a very severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table, very frequent floods, and surface ponding. Surface and subsurface drainage and protection from floods are needed for most crops. Most of the acreage is in mixed hardwoods and pines. Capability unit IVw-4; woodland group 1w9.

Lakeland Series

The Lakeland series consists of excessively drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils in broad, undulating areas and rounded divides on uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray sand about 3 inches thick. This is underlain by layers of loose sand about 77 inches thick that are light yellowish brown, strong brown, and yellow. The underlying layer, to a depth of about 100 inches, is light-gray, loose sand.

The Lakeland soils are very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have rapid permeability, very low available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond rather poorly to lime and fertilizer.

Lakeland soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is wooded, mainly with longleaf pine and turkey oak. Very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing are the major limitations for use of these soils.

Representative profile of Lakeland sand, 9 miles south of Goldsboro, 0.7 mile east of intersection of Roads 1915 and 1120, 100 feet north of Road 1120, in a wooded area;

- A1—0 to 3 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) sand; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; few small roots; common small particles of organic matter; about one-half of sand grains have thin coating of organic matter; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- C1—3 to 30 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 8/4) sand; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; coated; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C2—30 to 54 inches, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) sand; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; coated; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C3—54 to 66 inches, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) sand; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; common clean sand grains; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C4—66 to 80 inches, yellow (10YR 7/6) sand; few, medium, faint-brown (10YR 5/3) mottles, and common, fine, distinct, very pale-brown mottles; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; common clean sand grains; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C5—80 to 100 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/2) sand; single grain; loose, nonsticky and nonplastic; uncoated; strongly acid.

Lakeland soils are sands more than 72 inches thick. The A horizon is 2 to 8 inches thick and is dark gray to pale brown. The C horizon ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown in the upper part and from yellow

to light gray in the lower part. Sand grains in the upper part of the C horizon have thin coatings of silt and clay.

Lakeland sand (lc).—This is an excessively drained, sandy soil in broad, undulating areas and on rounded divides. Slopes are 0 to 6 percent. The mapped areas are wide and long and range from 20 to several hundred acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to pale-brown sand 2 to 8 inches thick. The underlying layers, to a depth of 72 inches or more, are sand that is light yellowish brown to strong brown in the upper part and yellow to light gray in the lower part.

Included with this soil in mapping were some areas of Kenansville, Wagram, and Troup soils. Also included were some small, narrow areas of Rimini and Leon soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to a few locally grown crops. Because this soil is very deep sand, it has very severe limitations of droughtiness, leaching, very low fertility, and susceptibility to soil blowing. Intensive conservation practices are needed to control soil blowing and to reduce leaching and droughtiness where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is forested. The cleared acreage is mainly idle, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IVs-1; woodland group 4s2.

Leaf Series

The Leaf series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats on terraces and in shallow drainageways on uplands. These soils formed in stream and Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray loam about 9 inches thick. The subsoil is about 61 inches thick. The upper part is gray, firm clay loam over gray and light-gray, very firm clay. The lower part is light-gray, firm clay loam. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 110 inches, is light-gray, friable clay loam over gray sandy loam.

Leaf soils are medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. They have slow permeability, high available water capacity, and high shrink-swell potential. Most of the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Leaf soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is forested or pastured. A seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and, in places, infrequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Leaf loam, 2 miles west of Goldsboro, 0.3 mile south of North Carolina State Hospital dairy farm on State Route 581, and 50 feet west of farm road, in a pasture:

- Ap—0 to 9 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) loam, moderate, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; slightly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1g—9 to 14 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) clay loam; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; firm, sticky and plastic; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark gray surface soil; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

- B21tg—14 to 36 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) clay; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; moderate, medium, angular blocky structure; very firm, sticky and very plastic; few small roots between peds; thin clay films on faces of peds; extremely acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B22tg—36 to 46 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/1) clay; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, few, coarse, faint, gray (10YR 5/1) mottles, and few, fine, distinct, yellowish-red mottles; weak, medium, angular blocky structure; very firm, sticky and very plastic; few small roots; thin clay films on faces of peds; extremely acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B3g—46 to 70 inches, light-gray (2.5Y 7/2) clay loam; common, coarse, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; firm, sticky and plastic; thin clay films in pores; extremely acid; gradual, irregular boundary.
- C1g—70 to 92 inches, light-gray (N 7/0) clay loam; common, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles, and few, fine, distinct, brown mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and plastic; extremely acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- C2g—92 to 110 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, brown (10YR 5/3) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; extremely acid.

Leaf soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 7 to 10 inches in thickness and is dark gray to grayish brown. The B horizon is more than 50 inches thick and is clay loam to clay. The silt content is more than 30 percent. The B horizon is gray to light gray mottled with brownish yellow or yellowish red. The C horizon is light gray to gray and ranges from sandy loam to clay loam.

Leaf loam (le).—This is a poorly drained soil on smooth stream terraces and in shallow drainageways on the uplands. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas range from narrow to wide and from 5 to 100 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to grayish-brown loam 7 to 10 inches thick. The subsoil is gray to light-gray, firm to very firm clay loam to clay more than 50 inches thick. It is mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, or yellowish red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Leaf soils that have a silt loam or sandy loam surface layer. In some areas are soils that have a thinner subsoil, but otherwise are similar to Leaf soils. Some areas of Lumbee, Johns, Pantego, and Kinston soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. Because the clay content is moderately high, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The principal trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. Wetness is a very severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding. Surface and sub-surface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. Most of the acreage on terraces is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Most of the acreage of this soil is forested. The rest is pastured and cultivated. Capability unit IVw-2; woodland group 2w9.

Leon Series

The Leon series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth interstream divides on uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 1½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is gray and light brownish-gray sand about 16 inches thick. The subsoil is dark reddish-brown, friable, weakly cemented sand about 18 inches thick. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 70 inches, is light brownish-gray, loose sand.

Leon soils are very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, low available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond poorly to lime and fertilizer.

Leon soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is forested. A seasonal high water table, very low fertility, and leaching are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Leon sand, 10 miles south of Goldsboro, one-fourth mile north of intersection of Roads 1950 and 1948, and 100 feet west of Road 1948, in an idle field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sand; single grain; loose; many small roots; most sand grains have thin coatings of organic matter; few, fine, distinct, black particles of organic matter; extremely acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 16 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sand; single grain; loose; few small roots; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21h—16 to 23 inches, dark reddish-brown (5YR 3/2) sand; massive; weakly cemented; friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; thick humus coatings on most sand grains and bridging of sand grains; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B22h—23 to 34 inches, dark reddish-brown (5YR 3/3) sand; massive; weakly cemented, friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; thick humus coatings on most sand grains; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C—34 to 70 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sand; single grain, loose; uncoated; very strongly acid.

Leon soils have a solum less than 45 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 10 to 20 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons range from gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The A2 horizon is light brownish gray to light gray. The Bh horizon is 8 to 25 inches thick and is weakly cemented sand to loamy sand. It is dark reddish brown to dark brown. The C horizon is light brownish-gray to white sand.

Leon sand (ln).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soil on broad, smooth interstream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are on the narrow, outer rims of large depressions and range from 5 to 15 acres in size. The surface layer is gray to very dark gray sand 10 to 20 inches thick. The very dark gray part of the surface layer, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The subsoil is dark reddish-brown to dark-brown, weakly cemented sand to loamy sand 8 to 25 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Leon soils that have a fine sand surface layer. In some small areas are soils that have a black surface layer 8 to 15 inches thick, but otherwise are similar to Leon soils. Some areas of Dragston and Rimini soils were also included.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is very slow. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is generally unsuited to cultivated crops, except for blueberries and other specialized crops, because of wetness, coarse texture, and the weakly cemented subsoil. It is suited to pasture or trees. Nearly all of the acreage is forested. Longleaf pine and turkey oak are the principal trees. Capability unit Vw-1; woodland group 4w2.

Liddell Series

The Liddell series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on smooth flats in broad areas between streams. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray very fine sandy loam about 8 inches thick. The subsoil is gray, very friable very fine sandy loam about 46 inches thick that is mottled with brownish yellow in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is gray, friable loam mottled with brown and brownish yellow.

Liddell soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Liddell soils are of minor importance for farming. Most of the acreage is wooded. A seasonal high water table and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Liddell very fine sandy loam, 7 miles northeast of Goldsboro, 0.3 mile southwest of Saulston, and 10 feet southwest of Road 1572, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1g—8 to 14 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; few small roots; common pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B2g—14 to 42 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) very fine sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few large pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3g—42 to 54 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) very fine sandy loam; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous silt coatings on faces of some peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- Cg—54 to 65 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loam; common, medium, distinct, brown (10YR 5/3) and brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid.

Liddell soils have a solum that ranges from 40 to about 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon ranges from 6 to 10 inches in thickness and is dark gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part of the surface layer, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The B horizon is 34 to 50 inches thick and is very fine sandy loam to silt loam. The sand fraction is dominantly very fine sand. The B horizon is gray

to light gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, or yellowish red. The C horizon is gray to light gray and ranges from very fine sandy loam to silt loam, but commonly is loam.

Liddell very fine sandy loam (ls).—This is a poorly drained soil on smooth flats in broad areas between streams. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are wide and range from 10 to about 30 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to very dark gray very fine sandy loam 6 to 10 inches thick. The very dark part of the gray surface layer, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The subsoil is gray to light-gray, very friable very fine sandy loam to silt loam 34 to 50 inches thick. It is mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and yellowish red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Liddell soils that have a silt loam and loam surface layer. In small areas are poorly drained soils that have a brittle consistence in the lower subsoil, and a few areas of very poorly drained soils that have a very dark gray surface layer more than 8 inches thick. Some areas of Barclay and Myatt soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The principal trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding. Surface and subsurface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. Most of the acreage is forested. The rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IIIw-3; woodland group 2w9.

Lucy Series

The Lucy series consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on smooth, slightly convex divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is loamy sand about 24 inches thick that is brown in the upper part and light yellowish brown in the lower part. The subsoil, to a depth of about 70 inches, is friable sandy clay loam that is strong brown and yellowish red in the upper part and red in the lower part.

Lucy soils are low to very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, low available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Lucy soils are of minor importance for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is in forest and pasture. Low to very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Lucy loamy sand, 4 miles east of Mt. Olive, 0.5 mile west of Williams pond, and 100 feet south of State Route 55, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, brown (10YR 4/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; slightly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

- A2—8 to 24 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; many small roots; few small pebbles; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1t—24 to 26 inches, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) sandy clay loam; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; thin patchy clay films on faces of peds; few pebbles that have thick clay coatings; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B2t—26 to 50 inches, yellowish-red (5YR 4/6) sandy clay loam; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; few small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; few pebbles that have thick clay coatings; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3t—50 to 70 inches, red (2.5YR 4/8) sandy clay loam; pockets of brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) sand; moderate, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and slightly plastic; thin clay films on faces of peds; few pebbles that have thick clay coatings; very strongly acid.

Lucy soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 20 to 40 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown or brown to dark yellowish brown. The A2 horizon is pale brown to light yellowish brown. The B horizon is more than 40 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is yellowish red to red mottled with brownish yellow or red in the lower part. The C horizon is brownish-yellow to red sandy loam and sandy clay loam.

Lucy loamy sand (Lv).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth, slightly convex divides. Slopes range from 0 to 6 percent. The mapped areas are 5 to 25 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown or brown to dark yellowish-brown loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-red to red, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 40 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Lucy soils that have a sand and loamy fine sand surface layer. Also included were some areas of Wagram, Kenansville, Norfolk, Ruston, and Troup soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is suited to most locally grown crops and is used mainly for tobacco, corn, and soybeans. Because the surface layer is thick and sandy, this soil has moderate limitations of low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control soil blowing and reduce leaching and droughtiness. Most of the acreage is cultivated. The rest is forested and pastured. Capability unit IIs-1; woodland group 3s2.

Lumbee Series

The Lumbee series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils in shallow drainageways and broad, smooth, flat areas on terraces. These soils formed in stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is sandy loam about 13 inches thick that is dark gray in the upper part and light brownish gray in the lower part. The subsoil is about 27 inches thick and is dominantly gray, friable sandy clay loam mottled with yellowish brown. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is gray loamy coarse sand.

Lumbee soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. About 60 percent of the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Lumbee soils are of minor importance for farming. Most of the acreage is in mixed hardwoods and pines, but some is cleared and used for cultivated crops and pasture.

A seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and infrequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Lumbee sandy loam, 7 miles west of Goldsboro, a mile south of intersection of Roads 1007 and 1224, 300 yards east of Road 1224, and 200 feet north of farm road, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 13 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1g—13 to 16 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; extremely acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B2tg—16 to 34 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3g—34 to 40 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; pockets of coarse sandy loam and loamy coarse sand; common, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- IICg—40 to 65 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loamy coarse sand; pockets or strata of coarse sandy loam and coarse sand; massive; very friable; extremely acid.

Lumbee soils have a solum that ranges from 30 to 50 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 10 to 20 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part, where present, is less than 6 inches thick. The A2 horizon is light brownish gray to grayish brown. The B horizon is 20 to 30 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is gray or light gray to light brownish gray mottled with yellowish brown and strong brown. Content of fine mica flakes, where they occur, ranges from very few to few. The C horizon ranges from gray to light gray coarse sand or loamy coarse sand to gravelly loamy sand.

Lumbee sandy loam (Lv).—This is a poorly drained soil in shallow drainageways and broad, smooth, flat areas on stream terraces. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are long, but range from narrow to wide across. They are about 10 to 100 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to very dark gray sandy loam 10 to 20 inches thick. The very dark gray part of the surface layer, where present, is less than 6 inches thick. The subsoil is gray or light-gray to light brownish-gray, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam 20 to 30 inches thick. It is mottled with yellowish brown and strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Lumbee soils that have a surface layer of very fine

sandy loam or loamy sand. Also included were some areas of Leaf, Weston, and Johns soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is very slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. About 60 percent of the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. The seasonal high water table and surface ponding are very severe limitations. Surface and subsurface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. The sandy substratum may make it difficult to install and maintain a drainage system. Most of the acreage is forested and the rest pastured and cultivated. Capability unit IVw-4; woodland group 2w9.

Lynchburg Series

The Lynchburg series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats on interstream divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 1½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and light brownish-gray sandy loam about 11 inches thick. The subsoil is about 61 inches thick. The upper part is pale-brown and light yellowish-brown, friable sandy clay loam mottled with light brownish gray and brownish yellow. The middle part is gray, friable sandy clay loam mottled with yellowish brown, strong brown, brownish yellow and yellowish red. The lower part consists of thin layers of dark-gray, very friable sandy loam and firm sandy clay loam.

Lynchburg soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Lynchburg soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated or pastured, and the rest is forested. A seasonal high water table is the major hazard limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Lynchburg sandy loam, 0.4 mile south of Nahunta School and 200 feet east of State Route 581, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 11 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; medium acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B1—11 to 15 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) sandy clay loam; common, fine, faint, light brownish-gray mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; few small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; medium acid; clear, smooth boundary.
- B21t—15 to 23 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy clay loam; common, medium, faint, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) and brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B22tg—23 to 42 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) and strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B23tg—42 to 55 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) and strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles, and few, medium, prominent, yellowish-red (5YR 5/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.

B3g—55 to 72 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) strata of sandy loam and sandy clay loam; few, medium, prominent, pinkish-gray (7.5YR 6/2) and strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles; massive; very friable sandy loam; firm, sticky and plastic sandy clay loam; extremely acid.

Lynchburg soils have a solum that ranges from 60 to 80 inches or more in thickness. The A horizon is 10 to 15 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray or dark grayish brown to gray. The A2 horizon is light brownish gray to pale brown. The B horizon is 50 to 65 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. The upper part of the B horizon is pale brown to light yellowish brown mottled with light brownish gray and brownish yellow. The lower part of the B horizon is gray within 30 inches of the surface and is commonly mottled with yellowish brown, strong brown, brownish yellow, and yellowish red.

Lynchburg sandy loam (ly).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soil on broad, smooth flats of interstream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are around the ends of shallow drainageways; they are wide and range from 5 to about 200 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray or dark grayish-brown to gray sandy loam 10 to 15 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam 50 to 65 inches thick. The upper part is pale brown to light yellowish brown mottled with light brownish gray and brownish yellow. The lower part is gray mottled with brownish yellow, yellowish brown, strong brown, and yellowish red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Lynchburg soils that have a very fine sandy loam or loamy sand surface layer. Also included were some areas of Dragston, Goldsboro, and Rains soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to most locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The dominant trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table, and drainage is needed for most crops. Most of the acreage is cultivated or pastured, and the rest is forested. Capability unit IIw-2; woodland group 2w8.

Myatt Series

The Myatt series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats and in shallow depressions on the uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and gray very fine sandy loam about 11 inches thick. The subsoil is about 53 inches thick and is dominantly friable clay loam that is gray mottled with brownish yellow and red. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 70 inches, is light-gray, friable clay loam mottled with red and brownish yellow.

Myatt soils are medium to low in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. They have moderately slow permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Myatt soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is wooded, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. A seasonal high water table and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Myatt very fine sandy loam, 0.6 mile west of Fremont and 300 feet south of Road 1342, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 9 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—9 to 11 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) very fine sandy loam; few, fine, faint, light yellowish-brown mottles; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1g—11 to 16 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21tg—16 to 36 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and plastic; common small roots; few small pores; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B22tg—36 to 54 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, coarse, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and few, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, angular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B3tg—54 to 64 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles, and common, fine, prominent, red mottles; weak, fine, angular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; common small pores; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.
- Cg—64 to 70 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/1) clay loam; many, fine, prominent, red mottles, and few, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; massive; friable, sticky and plastic; very strongly acid.

Myatt soils have a solum that ranges from 50 to 70 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 10 to 15 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part, where present, is less than 6 inches thick. The A2 horizon is gray to light brownish gray. The B horizon is about 40 to 55 inches thick and is loam to clay loam. The sand fraction is dominantly very fine sand. The B horizon is gray to light gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and red. The C horizon is dominantly light gray to gray and ranges from very fine sandy loam to clay loam.

Myatt very fine sandy loam (My).—This is a poorly drained soil in shallow depressions and on broad, smooth flats on uplands and terraces. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas range from small, oval depressions of about 5 acres in size to broad, long areas up to 40 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to very dark gray very fine sandy loam 10 to 15 inches thick. The very dark gray part of the surface layer, where present, is less than 6 inches thick. The subsoil is gray to light-gray, friable loam to clay loam, 40 to 55 inches thick, and is commonly mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Myatt soils that have a fine sandy loam surface layer. In small areas are poorly drained soils that are brittle in the lower part of the subsoil. Also included were a few areas of very poorly drained soils that have a very dark-gray surface layer more than 6 inches thick and some areas of Nahunta and Liddell soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The principal trees in forested areas are loblolly pine. Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding. Surface and subsurface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. Most of the acreage is wooded. The rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IIIw-3; woodland group 2w9.

Nahunta Series

The Nahunta series consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats of interstream divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 1½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and pale-brown very fine sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The subsoil is about 62 inches thick. The upper part is light yellowish-brown, friable loam mottled with gray and brownish yellow. The lower part is gray, friable clay loam mottled with brownish yellow, yellowish red, and red.

Nahunta soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Nahunta soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated and the rest pastured and wooded. A seasonal high water table is the major hazard limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Nahunta very fine sandy loam, 0.8 mile west of Fremont and 200 feet south of Road 1342, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 10 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very fri-

able; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B1—10 to 12 inches, light yellowish-brown (2.5Y 6/4) loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B21t—12 to 20 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) loam; common, medium, faint, gray (10YR 6/1) and brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; common small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B22tg—20 to 38 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and few, medium, distinct, yellowish-red (5YR 5/6) mottles; moderate, fine, angular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and plastic; few small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

B23tg—38 to 58 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and common, medium, prominent, red (2.5 YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, angular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.

B3g—58 to 72 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) clay loam; common, coarse, distinct, brownish yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and common, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; massive; friable, sticky and plastic; few hard nodules; very strongly acid.

Nahunta soils have a solum that ranges from 60 to about 80 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 8 to 15 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray or dark grayish brown to gray. The A2 horizon is pale brown to light brownish gray. The B horizon ranges from about 52 to 65 inches in thickness and is loam to clay loam. The sand fraction is dominantly very fine sand. The upper B horizon ranges from pale brown to light yellowish brown mottled with gray, brownish yellow, yellowish red, and red. The lower part of the B horizon is gray or light gray within a depth of 30 inches and has common to many, brownish-yellow to red mottles. The B3g horizon ranges from gray to light gray, and is very fine sandy loam to clay loam.

Nahunta very fine sandy loam (Nc).—This is a somewhat poorly drained soil on broad, smooth flats of inter-stream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are around the ends of shallow drainageways and are 5 to about 50 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray or dark grayish-brown to gray very fine sandy loam 8 to 15 inches thick. The subsoil is friable loam to clay loam 52 to about 65 inches thick. The upper part is pale brown to light yellowish brown mottled with gray. The lower part is gray or light gray mottled with brownish yellow, yellowish red, and red.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Nahunta soils that have a fine sandy loam surface layer. In some areas are soils that have a weakly cemented and brittle subsoil, but otherwise are similar to Nahunta soils. Some areas of Exum, Myatt, and Liddell soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to most locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The principal trees in forested areas are loblolly pine.

Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table. Surface and subsurface drainage is needed for most crops. Most of the acreage is cultivated. The rest is pastured and wooded (fig. 5). Capability unit IIw-2; woodland group 2w8.

Nixonton Series

The Nixonton series consists of moderately well drained, nearly level soils on smooth, broad divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 2½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and pale-brown very fine sandy loam about 10 inches thick. The subsoil is a very friable silt loam about 35 inches thick. The upper part is light yellowish brown, and the lower part is pale brown mottled with strong brown and light gray. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is mottled light-gray, brownish-yellow, red, and yellowish-brown, very friable silt loam.

Nixonton soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Nixonton soils are not extensive. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest pastured or wooded. A seasonal high water table is the major hazard limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Nixonton very fine sandy loam, 12 miles east of Goldsboro, 1,000 feet northwest of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 13 and Road 1568, in a cultivated field:

Ap—0 to 7 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

A1—7 to 10 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) very fine sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; few small roots; few small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.

B2—10 to 25 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) silt loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; few small pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

B3—25 to 45 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) silt loam; common, medium, distinct, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles, and few, medium, distinct, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

Cg—45 to 65 inches, mottled light-gray (10YR 7/1), brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8), red (10R 4/8), and yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) silt loam with pockets of very fine loamy sand; massive; very friable, very strongly acid.

Nixonton soils have a solum that ranges from 35 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 8 to 20 inches thick and is grayish brown or gray to pale brown. The B horizon is 27 to 40 inches thick, and is very fine sandy loam to silt loam. The sand fraction is dominantly very fine sand. The B horizon ranges from pale brown or light yellowish brown to brownish yellow mottled with light gray or gray below a depth of 24 inches. The amount of gray mottling increases in the lower part of the B horizon, and mottles of strong brown to brownish yellow are common. The C horizon is commonly mottled light gray, brownish yellow, yellowish brown, or red and is very fine sandy loam to silt loam.



Figure 5.—Water stands on somewhat poorly drained Nahunta very fine sandy loam following a heavy rain.

These soils have siliceous mineralogy that is outside the defined range for the series, but this difference does not alter their usefulness or behavior.

Nixonton very fine sandy loam (Nf).—This is a moderately well drained soil on broad, smooth, interstream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are near shallow drainageways and range from 10 to 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown or gray to pale-brown very fine sandy loam 8 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is pale-brown or light yellowish-brown to brownish-yellow, very friable very fine sandy loam to silt loam about 27 to 40 inches thick. It is mottled with light gray, gray, strong brown, or brownish yellow in the lower part.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Nixonton soils that have a loam or silt loam surface layer. In some areas are soils that are weakly cemented in the lower part of the subsoil but otherwise are similar to Nixonton soils. Some areas of Barclay and Exum soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used chiefly for corn, soybeans, tobacco, truck crops, and small grain. Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table. Artificial drainage is needed for tobacco and other crops that require good drainage. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured or wooded. Capability unit IIw-1; woodland group 2o7.

Norfolk Series

The Norfolk series consists of well-drained, nearly level to sloping soils on broad, smooth, slightly convex divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and pale-brown loamy sand about 11 inches thick.

The subsoil is about 64 inches thick and is dominantly yellowish-brown and brownish-yellow, friable sandy clay loam.

Norfolk soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to applications of lime and fertilizer.

Norfolk soils are the most important soils for farming in Wayne County. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested. Slope is the major limitation for use of these soils.

Representative profile of Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes, 3 miles west of Pikeville, 0.1 mile north of intersection of Roads 1320 and 1002, fifty feet west of Road 1320, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 11 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; few small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1—11 to 14 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; few small pores filled with grayish-brown surface soil; clay coating and bridging on most sand grains; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21t—14 to 34 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—34 to 48 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) sandy clay loam; few, fine, distinct, red mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; thin clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B23t—48 to 65 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) sandy clay loam; common, fine, distinct, gray mottles, and common, medium, prominent, yellowish-red (5YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3t—65 to 75 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, light-gray (10YR 7/1) and strong brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles, and common, fine, prominent, yellowish-red mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; few nodules thickly coated with clay; very strongly acid.

Norfolk soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 4 to 20 inches in thickness and is loamy sand to sandy loam. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown in the uneroded areas to yellowish brown in the more eroded areas. The A2 horizon is pale brown to light yellowish brown. The B horizon is more than 56 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is commonly yellowish brown and brownish yellow but ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown. It is mottled with gray, light gray, strong brown, and yellowish red in the lower part.

Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes (NoA).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth, broad divides. It

has the profile described as representative of the series. The mapped areas are irregular in shape and range from 5 to about 200 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown loamy sand 10 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 56 inches thick (fig. 6). It is commonly yellowish brown and brownish yellow but ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Norfolk soils that have a sandy loam or very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Goldsboro, Ruston, and Wagram soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops and is used mainly for tobacco, corn, soybeans, truck crops, cotton, and small grain. Tobacco is especially well suited. There are no major hazards or limitations to intensive use of this soil for farming or other uses. Almost all of

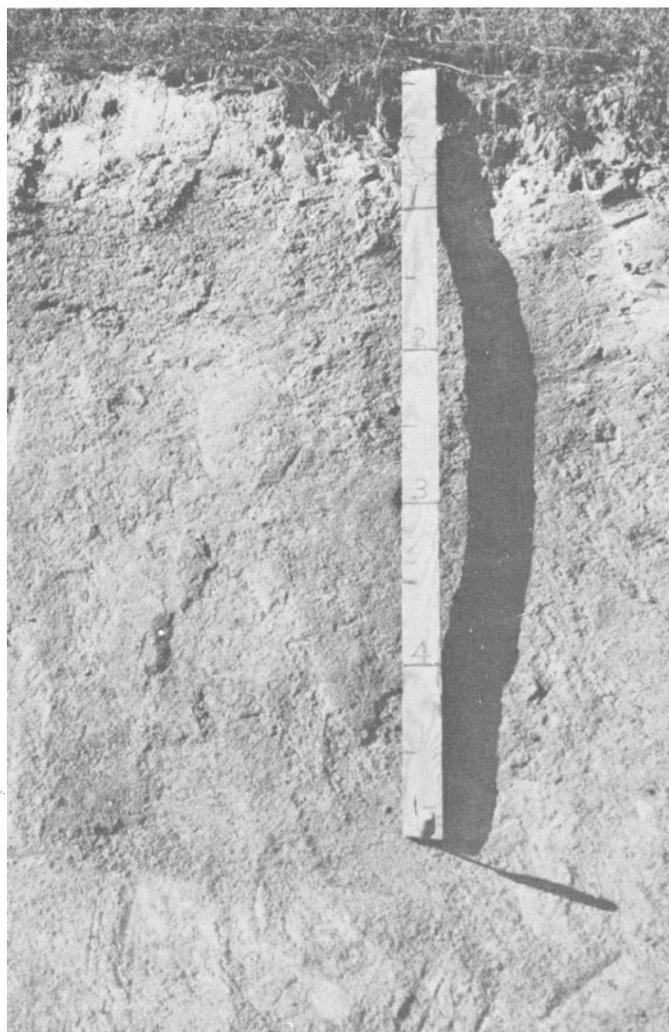


Figure 6.—Profile of Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes.

the acreage is cultivated. Capability unit I-1; woodland group 2o1.

Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes (NoB).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth sides of divides. The mapped areas are elongated and range from 5 to 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown loamy sand 10 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 56 inches thick. It is commonly yellowish brown and brownish yellow, but ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Norfolk soils that have a loam or very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were small areas of Bibb soils in short, narrow drainageways and areas of Ruston, Goldsboro, and Wagram soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used mainly for corn, tobacco, soybeans, truck crops, and small grain. Tobacco is especially well suited (fig. 7). Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate and conservation practices, such as contour row arrangement, are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Nearly all of the acreage is culti-

vated and pastured. The rest is forested. The forested areas are on the shortest slopes of this mapping unit. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o1.

Norfolk loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes (NoC).—This is a well-drained soil on short sides of divides. The mapped areas are long and narrow and range from 5 to 20 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown loamy sand 8 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 56 inches thick. It is commonly yellowish brown and brownish yellow but ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Norfolk soils that have a sandy loam or very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were a few areas of Ruston, Wagram, Craven, and Kalmia soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked over a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to most locally grown crops, but the size and shape of the mapped areas limit use for row crops. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is severe, and intensive conservation practices are necessary to effectively control runoff and erosion in cultivated areas. Most of the acreage is forested. The rest is pastured or cultivated. Capability unit IIIe-1; woodland group 2o1.



Figure 7.—Tobacco and corn on Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes.

Norfolk sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded (NrB2).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth sides of divides. The mapped areas are narrow and long, and range from 3 to about 10 acres in size. In most places, the surface layer is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil and is dominantly sandy loam 4 to 8 inches thick. It is grayish brown in the less eroded areas to yellowish brown in the more eroded areas. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 56 inches thick. It is commonly yellowish brown and brownish yellow but ranges from light yellowish brown to strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Norfolk soils that have a loamy sand surface layer and some eroded areas where the subsoil is exposed. Also included were a few small areas of Bibb soils in short, narrow drainageways and areas of Ruston and Craven soils.

Infiltration is moderately slow, and surface runoff is medium. Because the surface layer is thin, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth, but it can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content. The severely eroded spots crust as they dry after a hard rain or become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops and is used mainly for corn, soybeans, small grain, and pasture grasses. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate, and conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion in cultivated areas. Practically all of the acreage is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o1.

Pamlico Series

The Pamlico series consists of very poorly drained, nearly level organic soils on wide, flat, low flood plains along large streams. These soils formed in alluvium and plant residues. The seasonal high water table is at the surface most of the year.

In a representative profile, Pamlico soils consist of muck about 40 inches thick that is very dark brown in the upper part, black in the middle part, and very dark grayish brown in the lower part. Below the muck, to a depth of about 60 inches, is very dark grayish-brown loamy sand.

Pamlico soils are low in natural fertility and high in organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, high available water capacity, and high shrink-swell potential. Pamlico soils are very frequently flooded for long periods. Crops grown on these soils respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Pamlico soils are not important for farming. Nearly all of the acreage is forested.

A seasonal high water table and very frequent floods limit the use of these soils. Where these soils are artificially drained and excessively dry, subsidence and burning of organic material are major hazards.

Representative profile of Pamlico muck, 8 miles east of Mt. Olive, 100 feet northeast of the bridge of Road 1948 crossing the Northeast Cape Fear River, in a wooded flood plain:

O1—0 to 3 inches, very dark-brown (10YR 2/2) partially decomposed moss, leaves, twigs, and roots; 75 per-

cent fiber content after rubbing; weak, fine, platy structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

Oa1—3 to 14 inches, black (10YR 2/1) decomposed organic matter (muck); sodium pyrophosphate extract is yellowish brown; 10 percent fiber; weak, coarse, granular structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small roots; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

Oa2—14 to 40 inches, very dark grayish-brown (10YR 3/2) decomposed organic matter (muck); sodium pyrophosphate extract is light yellowish brown; 20 percent fiber; less than 10 percent after rubbing; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots in upper part; extremely acid; clear, wavy boundary.

IIAb—40 to 60 inches, very dark grayish-brown (10YR 3/2) loamy sand; massive; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; extremely acid.

The muck layer ranges from 12 to 50 inches in thickness and is black to very dark grayish brown. Fiber content is less than 33 percent unrubbed and less than 10 percent after rubbing. The underlying material is sandy in texture and very dark grayish brown to grayish brown.

Pamlico muck (Pa).—This is a very poorly drained, nearly level organic soil on flood plains. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are wide and are 10 to several hundred acres in size. The upper layers are black to very dark grayish-brown muck, 12 to 50 inches thick. The underlying layer is very dark grayish-brown to grayish-brown, very friable loamy sand.

Included with this soil in mapping were areas that have an overwash layer of mineral loam. Also included were some areas of Johnston soils, and a few areas of very poorly drained sand having a black surface layer.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is very slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is generally unsuited for cultivation but is suited for pasture or trees. Poor drainage and frequent floods are very severe limitations. Fire is a hazard where this soil is excessively drained. Subsurface drains function poorly because this soil is at low elevation. Nearly all of the acreage is forested. Capability unit Vw-1; woodland group 4w3.

Pantego Series

The Pantego series consists of very poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats, in oval depressions, and in shallow drainageways on the uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is black and very dark gray loam about 12 inches thick. The subsoil is about 53 inches thick. The upper part is gray and light brownish-gray, friable sandy clay loam mottled with brownish yellow, yellowish red, and strong brown. The lower part is light-gray, friable sandy loam.

Pantego soils are low in natural fertility and medium in organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Pantego soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is pastured and

cultivated. The dominant trees in forested areas are loblolly pine, but pond pine and hardwoods also grow.

A seasonal high water table and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Pantego loam, 6.4 miles east of Goldsboro and 400 feet north of U.S. Highway No. 70, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 9 inches, black (10YR 2/1) loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- A2—9 to 12 inches, very dark gray (10YR 3/1) loam; common, medium, distinct, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) mottles; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; common small pores filled with black surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1g—12 to 16 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy clay loam; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small pores filled with black surface soil; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21tg—16 to 46 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sandy clay loam; common, coarse, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles, and few, fine, prominent, yellowish-red mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22tg—46 to 54 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) mottles, and few, fine, prominent, yellowish-red mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; clay films in large pores; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B3g—54 to 65 inches, light-gray (2.5Y 7/2) sandy loam, pockets of sandy clay loam; few, fine, prominent, strong-brown mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; clay films in large pores; extremely acid.

Pantego soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 10 to 20 inches in thickness and is black to very dark gray. The B horizon is more than 50 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is gray or light gray to light brownish gray mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and yellowish red.

Pantego loam (Po).—This is a very poorly drained soil in oval depressions and wide, shallow drainageways. Slopes are less than 2 percent. The mapped areas are generally as long as they are wide and range from 5 to 150 acres in size. The surface layer is black to very dark gray loam 10 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is gray or light gray to light brownish-gray, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 50 inches thick. It is mottled with brownish yellow, strong brown, and yellowish red.

Included with this soil in mapping were areas of Pantego soils that have a sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Rains soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is very slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding, and surface and subsurface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. Nearly all the acreage is forested with

loblolly pine and mixed hardwoods. The rest is pastured and cultivated. Capability unit IIIw-3; woodland group 1w9.

Rains Series

The Rains series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on broad, smooth flats on interstream areas and in oval depressions. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and gray sandy loam about 13 inches thick. The subsoil is about 65 inches thick. The upper part is gray, friable sandy loam and sandy clay loam mottled with brownish yellow, dark grayish brown, yellowish brown, and yellowish red. The lower part is gray, friable sandy loam that contains pockets of sandy clay loam.

Rains soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Rains soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. A seasonal high water table and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Rains sandy loam, 0.5 mile south of Nahunta School, 100 feet east of State Route 581, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 10 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) sandy loam, weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—10 to 13 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; many small pores; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1g—13 to 18 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy loam; few, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common small pores; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21tg—18 to 36 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; common small pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22tg—36 to 55 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy clay loam; common, medium, faint, dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) mottles, common, fine, distinct yellowish-brown mottles, and few, fine, prominent, yellowish-red mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; few large root holes; very strongly acid; gradual boundary.
- B3g—55 to 78 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sandy loam; pockets of sandy clay loam; few, fine, faint, light-gray mottles, and few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few large root holes; extremely acid.

Rains soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 10 to 15 inches in thickness and is dark gray or gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part of the A horizon, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The B horizon is more than 50 inches thick and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is gray to light gray mottled with dark grayish brown, brownish yellow, yellowish brown, and yellowish red.

Rains sandy loam (Ra).—This is a poorly drained soil in oval depressions and on smooth flats in broad areas between streams. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are generally as wide as they are long and range from 5 to several hundred acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray or gray to very dark gray sandy loam 10 to 15 inches thick. The very dark gray part of the surface layer, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The subsoil is gray to light-gray, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam more than 50 inches thick. It is mottled with dark grayish brown, brownish yellow, yellowish brown, and yellowish red (fig. 8).

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Rains soils that have a loam and very fine sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Lynchburg, Pantego, and Torhunta soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans.



Figure 8.—Profile of Rains sandy loam.

The principal trees in forested areas are loblolly pine. Wetness is a severe limitation because of surface ponding and the seasonal high water table. Surface and subsurface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IIIw-3; woodland group 2w3.

Rimini Series

The Rimini series consists of excessively drained, nearly level soils in broad areas between the "Carolina Bays." These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table is at a depth of about 2½ feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is gray sand about 9 inches thick. The subsurface layer is light-gray sand about 45 inches thick. Below this, to a depth of about 75 inches, is very dark-brown, friable, weakly cemented sand.

Rimini soils are very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, very low available water capacity, and very low shrink-swell potential. Crops grow rather poorly.

Rimini soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is in forest. Very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Rimini sand, 12 miles south of Goldsboro, 1.1 miles southeast of intersection of State Route 111 and Road 1744, 50 feet south of light pole number 1231, in a wooded area:

- O1—½ inch to 0, dark reddish-brown, partially decomposed leaves; many small roots.
- A11—0 to 4 inches, gray (10YR 5/1) sand; single grain; loose; many small roots; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- A12—4 to 9 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sand; single grain; loose; many small roots; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- A21—9 to 18 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/2) sand; common, medium, faint, brown (10YR 5/3) mottles, a few of which are weakly cemented; single grain; loose; common small roots; faint coatings on one-half of sand grains; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- A22—18 to 54 inches, light-gray (10YR 7/2) sand; common, fine, faint, pale-brown mottles; single grain; loose; nonsticky and nonplastic; few small roots; very faint coatings on one-half of sand grains; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- Bh—54 to 75 inches, very dark-brown (7.5YR 2/2) sand; massive; friable; weakly cemented; nonsticky and nonplastic; sand grains coated and bridged with humus; strongly acid.

Rimini soils have a solum that ranges from 35 to about 90 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 30 to 60 inches thick. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray to gray. The A2 horizon is light gray to white. The Bh horizon ranges from 5 to 30 inches in thickness and is friable and weakly cemented sand to loamy sand. It is very dark brown or dark reddish brown to black.

Rimini sand (Rm).—This is an excessively drained soil in broad areas mostly between the "Carolina Bays." Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are about as wide as they are long and range from 10 to 40 acres in size. The surface and subsurface layers are dark-gray to gray sand and have a combined thickness of 30 to 60 inches. The subsoil is very dark-brown or dark reddish-brown to black.

black, friable to weakly cemented sand to loamy sand 5 to 30 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were some areas of Leon, Dragston, and Lakeland soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is very slow. The soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to a few locally grown crops. Because the surface layer is thick, loose, and sandy, low fertility and leaching are very severe limitations. Intensive conservation practices are needed where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is in forest. The principal trees in forested areas are turkey oak and longleaf pine. Capability unit IVs-1; woodland group 5s3.

Ruston Series

The Ruston series consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on broad, slightly convex to rounded divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and very pale-brown loamy sand about 13 inches thick. The subsoil, to a depth of about 72 inches, is friable sandy clay loam that is yellowish red in the upper part and red in the lower part.

Ruston soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

These soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured or forested. Slope is the major limitation for use.

Representative profile of Ruston loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes, 13 miles south of Goldsboro, 0.4 mile north of intersection of Roads 1752 and 1746, 0.2 mile west of Road 1746, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (2.5YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 13 inches, very pale-brown (10YR 7/4) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, wavy boundary.
- B21t—13 to 50 inches, yellowish-red (5YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and plastic; common small roots in upper part; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—50 to 72 inches, red (2.5YR 5/6) sandy clay loam; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid.

Ruston soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 4 to 18 inches in thickness and is loamy sand to sandy loam. The Ap and A1 horizons range from grayish brown in the uneroded areas to strong brown in the more eroded areas. The A2 horizon is very pale brown to light yellowish brown. The B horizon is more than 56 inches thick and is sandy loam, sandy clay loam, or clay loam. It is yellowish red to red and in places is mottled with yellow and brownish yellow in the lower part.

Ruston loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes (RuA).—This is a well-drained soil on broad divides. It has the profile described as representative for the series. The mapped areas are irregular in shape and range from 5 to about 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown loamy sand 10 to 18 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-red to red, friable sandy loam, sandy clay loam, or clay loam more than 56 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Ruston soils that have a very fine sandy loam and sandy loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Norfolk, Lucy, and Wagram soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly tobacco, corn, soybeans, and small grain. There are no major hazards or limitations to intensive use of this soil. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured or forested. Capability unit I-1; woodland group 2o1.

Ruston loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes (RuB).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth sides of divides. The mapped areas are elongated and range from 10 to about 30 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown loamy sand 10 to 18 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-red to red, friable sandy loam, sandy clay loam, or clay loam more than 56 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Ruston soils that have a very fine sandy loam and sandy loam surface layer. In a few areas are red clayey soils, some of which have a gravelly surface layer. Some areas of Norfolk, Aycock, and Lucy soils were also included.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly corn, tobacco, soybeans, and small grain. Erosion is a moderate hazard because of slope. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested. The forested areas are on the shortest slopes of this mapping unit. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o1.

Ruston sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded (RyB2).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth sides of divides. The mapped areas are long and narrow and range from 5 to 10 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish brown in the less eroded areas to strong brown in the more eroded areas and is dominantly sandy loam 4 to 8 inches thick. In places, it is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is yellowish-red to red, friable sandy loam, sandy clay loam, or clay loam more than 56 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Ruston soils that have a loamy sand or very fine sandy loam surface layer, and some eroded spots where the subsoil is exposed. A few small areas are red clayey soils that in places, have a gravelly surface layer. Also included were some areas of Norfolk and Aycock soils.

Infiltration is moderately slow, and surface runoff is medium. Because the surface layer is thin, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth, but it can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content. The more eroded spots crust as they dry after a hard rain or become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops. It is used chiefly for corn, soybeans, small grain, and pasture grasses. Erosion is a moderate hazard because of slope. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is cultivated or pastured, and the rest is forested. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o1.

Torhunta Series

The Torhunta series consists of very poorly drained, nearly level soils in broad, flat areas between streams and in oval depressions on uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is black loam about 9 inches thick over very dark gray sandy loam also about 9 inches thick. The subsoil is dark grayish-brown, friable sandy loam about 22 inches thick. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 80 inches, is dark grayish-brown loamy sand over grayish-brown sand.

Torhunta soils are low in natural fertility and medium in organic-matter content. They have moderately rapid permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. About 60 percent of the acreage is on flood plains that are subject to infrequent floods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Torhunta soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is in forest, and only a small acreage is cultivated or in pasture. The stands are dominantly loblolly pine, but pond pine and hardwoods also grow.

A seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and infrequent floods are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Torhunta loam, 1.5 miles south of New Hope, 0.4 mile northeast of intersection of Roads 1712 and 1713, 50 feet south of Road 1713 and 30 feet northeast of powerline poles, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 9 inches, black (10YR 2/1) loam; weak, medium, granular structure; friable; many small roots; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- A1—9 to 18 inches, very dark gray (10YR 3/1) sandy loam; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; thin coatings of organic matter on sand grains; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- Bg—18 to 40 inches, dark-grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) sandy loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots in upper part; thin silt coatings on sand grains and some bridging of sand grains; few loamy sand and sand pockets; extremely acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- C1g—40 to 48 inches, dark grayish-brown (10YR 4/2) loamy sand; common, medium, faint, gray (10YR 6/1) and brown (10YR 5/3) mottles; single grain; very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few sand pockets; extremely acid; diffuse, wavy boundary.

C2g—48 to 80 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) sand; single grain; loose; uncoated sand grains; very strongly acid.

Torhunta soils have a solum that ranges from 20 to about 50 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 10 to 20 inches thick and is black to very dark gray. The B horizon is 10 to 30 inches thick and is sandy loam or fine sandy loam. It is dark grayish brown to gray and, in places, is mottled with pale brown and brown. The C horizon is dark grayish-brown to grayish-brown sand to loamy sand.

Torhunta loam (To).—This is a very poorly drained soil on smooth, flat areas between streams and in oval depressions. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are mostly large and range from 25 to several hundred acres in size. The surface layer is black to very dark gray loam 10 to 20 inches thick. The subsoil is dark grayish-brown to gray, friable sandy loam or fine sandy loam 10 to 30 inches thick. In places it is mottled with pale brown and brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Torhunta soils that have a fine sandy loam, sandy loam, or loamy sand surface layer. Also included were some areas of Pantego, Rains, Weston, and Lumbee soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. The soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops. Corn and soybeans are the main crops. In many places, this soil is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Because of the seasonal high water table, surface ponding, and infrequent floods, wetness is a severe limitation. A system of surface and subsurface drainage is required where the soil is cultivated or pastured. The sandy substratum makes it difficult to install and maintain drains. Most of the acreage is forested, and only a small acreage is cultivated or in pasture. The most important trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine, pond pine, and hardwoods. Capability unit IIIw-3; woodland group 2w9.

Troup Series

The Troup series consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on smooth, broad, and slightly rounded divides. These soils formed in Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown sand about 8 inches thick over a very pale brown sand subsurface layer about 41 inches thick. The subsoil is about 61 inches thick and is dominantly brownish-yellow and strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam in the upper part, and strong-brown, friable sandy loam in the lower part.

Troup soils are very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderately rapid permeability, very low available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Troup soils are not important for farming. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. Very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Troup sand, 6 miles west of Dudley, 0.7 mile north of intersection of Roads 1125 and 1122, 0.2 mile west of Road 1125, and 50 feet south of farm road, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) sand; single grain; loose; many small roots; strongly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- A2—8 to 49 inches, very pale brown (10YR 7/3) sand; single grain; loose; few small roots in upper part; few uncoated sand grains; very strongly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.
- B1—49 to 52 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) sandy loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21t—52 to 72 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/8) sandy clay loam; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—72 to 85 inches, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; common, fine, faint, brownish-yellow mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; few pebbles; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B3t—85 to 110 inches, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) sandy loam; common, medium, distinct, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) and light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds and in pores; very strongly acid.

Troup soils have a solum more than 80 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 40 to 72 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons are grayish brown to light gray. The A2 horizon is very pale brown to pale brown. The B horizon is more than 40 inches thick, and is sandy loam to sandy clay loam. It is commonly brownish yellow and strong brown to yellowish red mottled with pale brown, light gray, and red.

Troup sand (Tr).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth, broad, and slightly rounded divides. Slopes are 0 to 6 percent. The mapped areas are about as broad as long and range from about 10 to more than 100 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to light-gray sand 40 to 72 inches thick. The subsoil is brownish-yellow and strong-brown to yellowish-red, friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam more than 40 inches thick (fig. 9).

Included with this soil in mapping were some areas of Wagram, Kenansville, Leon, and Lakeland soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to a few locally grown crops. The principal trees in wooded areas are longleaf pine and turkey oak. Because the surface layer is thick sand, this soil has severe limitations of droughtiness, leaching, low fertility, and soil blowing. Intensive conservation practices are needed to effectively control soil blowing and reduce leaching and droughtiness in cultivated areas. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated and pastured. Capability unit IIIs-1; woodland group 3s2.

Wagram Series

The Wagram series consists of well-drained, nearly level to strongly sloping soils on smooth, slightly convex and rounded sides of broad divides. These soils formed in

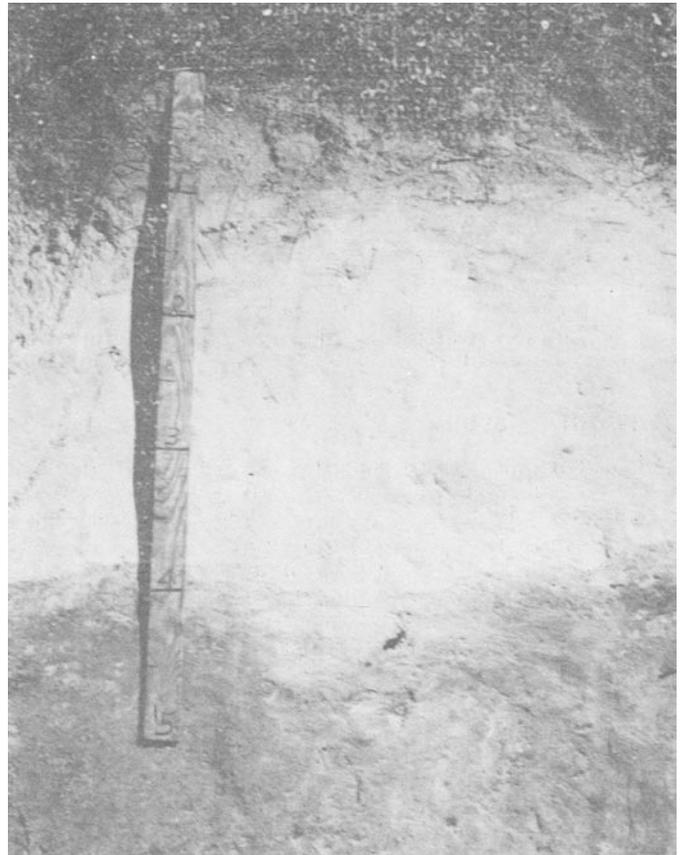


Figure 9.—Profile of Troup sand.

Coastal Plain sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown loamy sand about 8 inches thick over pale-brown loamy sand about 20 inches thick. The subsoil is about 40 inches thick and is dominantly yellowish-brown, friable sandy clay loam. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 86 inches, is brownish-yellow, friable sandy clay loam containing pockets of loamy sand.

Wagram soils are low to very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderately rapid permeability, low available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Wagram soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested. Low to very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, slope, and soil blowing are the major limitations for use of these soils.

Representative profile of Wagram loamy sand, 0 to 6 percent slopes, 0.8 mile northeast of Patetown, 0.5 mile east of Road 1523, and 50 feet north of farm road, in a cultivated field:

- Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable, many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

- A2—8 to 28 inches, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; few small roots; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B1—28 to 31 inches, light yellowish-brown (10YR 6/4) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, pale-brown (10YR 6/3) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B21t—31 to 45 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; few, medium, faint, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- B22t—45 to 54 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/4) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct pale-brown (10YR 6/3), and strong-brown (7.5YR 5/8) mottles, and few, fine, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B3t—54 to 68 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/4) sandy clay loam; common, medium, distinct, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles, and common, medium, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; weak, fine, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; very strongly acid; clear, irregular boundary.
- C—68 to 86 inches, brownish-yellow (10YR 6/6) sandy clay loam with pockets of loamy sand; common, medium, distinct, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles, and common, coarse, prominent, red (2.5YR 5/8) mottles; massive; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; very strongly acid.

Wagram soils have a solum more than 60 inches thick. The A horizon ranges from 20 to 40 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons range from grayish brown to gray. The A2 horizon is dominantly pale brown but ranges from light brownish gray to light yellowish brown. The B horizon ranges from about 40 to more than 60 inches in thickness and is sandy clay loam to sandy loam. It is yellowish brown and brownish yellow to strong brown mottled with light gray, pale brown, and strong brown in the lower part. The C horizon is brownish yellow to light gray and ranges from loamy sand to sandy clay loam.

Wagram loamy sand, 0 to 6 percent slopes (W_aB).—This is well-drained soil on slightly convex, smooth and broad divides. It has the profile described as representative for the series. The mapped areas are irregular in shape and range from 10 to about 50 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-brown and brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam about 40 to more than 60 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Wagram soils that have a sandy surface layer. Also included were small areas of Bibb soils in short, narrow drainageways and some areas of Norfolk, Goldsboro, Ruston, and Troup soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is slow. The soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is suited to most locally grown crops, mainly tobacco, corn, soybeans, and small grain. Because the surface layer is sandy, low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing are moderate limitations. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control soil blowing and to reduce leaching and droughtiness where

this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested. Capability unit II_s-1; woodland group 3s2.

Wagram loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes (W_aC).—This is a well-drained soil on short sides of divides. The mapped areas are long and narrow in shape and range from 5 to 20 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-brown and brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam about 40 to more than 60 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Wagram soils that have a sandy surface layer. Also included were some areas of Norfolk, Ruston, and Craven soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to most locally grown crops but the size and shape of mapped areas limit its use for row crops. Because of slope, erosion is a severe hazard, and intensive conservation practices are needed to control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Other limitations for use of this soil are low to very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing. Most of the acreage is forested, and only a small acreage is pastured and cultivated. Capability unit III_e-3; woodland group 3s2.

Wagram loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes (W_aD).—This is a well-drained soil on short sides of divides. The mapped areas are long and narrow and range from about 5 to 20 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to gray loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-brown and brownish-yellow to strong-brown, friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam about 40 to more than 60 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Wagram soils that have a sandy surface layer. Also included were some areas of Kalmia, Craven, and Troup soils.

Infiltration is rapid, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is fairly well suited to most locally grown crops, but the size and shape of mapped areas limit its use for row crops. Erosion is a very severe hazard because of slope. Intensive conservation practices are needed to control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Other limitations for use of this soil are low to very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing. Nearly all of the acreage is forested, and only a very small acreage is pastured or cultivated. Capability unit IV_e-2; woodland group 3s2.

Weston Series

The Weston series consists of poorly drained, nearly level soils on smooth flats and in depressions on uplands and terraces. These soils formed in Coastal Plain and stream sediments. The seasonal high water table is at the surface.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is dark-gray and grayish-brown loamy sand about 13 inches

thick. The subsoil is a friable sandy loam about 42 inches thick that is light brownish gray in the upper part and gray in the lower part. Below the subsoil, to a depth of about 65 inches, is light brownish-gray loamy sand that contains pockets of sandy loam.

Weston soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Weston soils are of minor importance for farming. Most of the acreage is in loblolly pine, part is in mixed hardwoods, and the rest is cultivated or pastured.

A seasonal high water table and surface ponding are the major hazards limiting the use of these soils.

Representative profile of Weston loamy sand, 5.2 miles east of Goldsboro, 0.25 mile north of U.S. Highway No. 70, and 50 feet south of farm road, in a cultivated field:

Ap—0 to 7 inches, dark-gray (10YR 4/1) loamy sand; weak, medium and coarse, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; strongly acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

A2—7 to 13 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; few small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.

B1g—13 to 21 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; many small roots; clay coating and bridging of sand grains; few small pores filled with dark-gray surface soil; very strongly acid; clear, smooth boundary.

B2tg—21 to 35 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam; common, coarse, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles, and few, fine, distinct, strong-brown mottles; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of a few peds; very strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.

B3tg—35 to 55 inches, gray (10YR 6/1) sandy loam; common, medium, faint, brown (10YR 5/3) mottles, and common, medium, distinct, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/6) mottles; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of a few peds; very strongly acid; gradual, irregular boundary.

Cg—55 to 65 inches, light brownish-gray (10YR 6/2) loamy sand and pockets of sandy loam; few, fine, distinct, brownish-yellow mottles, and common, coarse, faint, light-gray (10YR 7/1) mottles; massive; very friable, slightly sticky and nonplastic; clay coating and bridging of sand grains in sandy loam; extremely acid.

Weston soils have a solum that ranges from 36 to 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon ranges from 10 to 20 inches in thickness. The Ap and A1 horizons are dark gray to very dark gray. The very dark gray part, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The A2 horizon is gray or grayish brown to light brownish gray. The B horizon ranges from about 26 to 40 inches in thickness and is sandy loam and fine sandy loam. It is gray to light brownish gray mottled with yellowish brown and strong brown. The C horizon is gray to light brownish gray and ranges from sand to sandy loam.

Weston loamy sand (We).—This is a poorly drained soil on smooth flats and in depressions on broad interstream divides. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. The mapped areas are

about as wide as they are long and range from 10 to 50 acres in size. The surface layer is dark-gray to very dark gray loamy sand 10 to 20 inches thick. The very dark gray part, where present, is less than 8 inches thick. The subsoil is gray to light brownish-gray, friable sandy loam or fine sandy loam, 26 to 40 inches thick, that is mottled with yellowish brown and strong brown.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Weston soils that have a sandy loam or very fine sandy loam surface layer, and a few areas of soils have a thicker surface layer but otherwise are similar to Weston soils. Also included were some areas of Dragston, Torhunta, Rains, and Lumbee soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. The water ponds in some places. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. The principal trees in wooded areas are loblolly pine. Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and surface ponding. A system of surface and subsurface drainage is needed where this soil is cultivated or pastured. The sandy substratum makes it difficult to install and maintain drains. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated or pastured. Capability unit IIIw-3; woodland group 2w9.

Wickham Series

The Wickham series consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on smooth, low ridges on terraces. These soils formed in stream sediments. The seasonal high water table remains below a depth of 5 feet.

In a representative profile, the surface layer is grayish-brown and brown loamy sand about 14 inches thick. The next layer is about 36 inches thick. In sequence from the top, the upper 4 inches is yellowish-brown, friable sandy loam; the next 24 inches is yellowish-red, friable clay loam and sandy clay loam; and the lower 8 inches is a strong-brown, very friable sandy loam. The underlying layer, to a depth of about 65 inches, is reddish-yellow coarse sand.

Wickham soils are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. They have moderate permeability, medium available water capacity, and low shrink-swell potential. About 40 percent of the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Crops grown on these soils respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Wickham soils are important for farming. Most of the acreage is cultivated or in pasture, and the rest is in forest. Slope and infrequent floods are the major limitations for use of these soils.

Representative profile of Wickham loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes, 1 mile west of Goldsboro on State Route 581, 100 feet south of the highway, and 200 feet east of the hospital building, in a cultivated field:

Ap—0 to 8 inches, grayish-brown (10YR 5/2) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; many small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

A2—8 to 14 inches, brown (10YR 5/3) loamy sand; weak, medium, granular structure; very friable; common small roots; medium acid; abrupt, smooth boundary.

- B1—14 to 18 inches, yellowish-brown (10YR 5/4) sandy loam; weak, medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few small roots; clay coating and bridging of sand grains; medium acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B21t—18 to 32 inches, yellowish-red (5YR 5/6) clay loam; weak, fine and medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, sticky and plastic; few small roots; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; few small mica flakes; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- B22t—32 to 42 inches, yellowish-red (5YR 5/8) sandy clay loam; weak, fine and medium, subangular blocky structure; friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common fine and medium pebbles; thin discontinuous clay films on faces of peds; few, fine mica flakes; strongly acid; clear, wavy boundary.
- IIB3—42 to 50 inches, strong-brown (7.5YR 5/6) sandy loam; weak, fine, granular structure; very friable, slightly sticky and nonplastic; thin clay coating on most sand grains; common fine and medium pebbles; strongly acid; gradual, wavy boundary.
- IIC—50 to 65 inches, reddish-yellow (7.5YR 6/6) coarse sand; single grain; loose; common fine and medium pebbles; strongly acid.

Wickham soils have a solum that ranges from 40 to about 60 inches in thickness. The A horizon is 5 to 15 inches thick and is loamy sand to sandy loam. The Ap and A1 horizons range from grayish brown in the uneroded areas to strong brown in the more eroded areas. The A2 horizon is brown to light yellowish brown. The B horizon ranges from 35 to about 45 inches thick and is clay loam to sandy loam. It is commonly yellowish red. Content of mica flakes ranges from few to common. The C horizon is reddish yellow to brownish yellow and ranges from coarse sand to gravelly loamy sand.

Wickham loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes (WhA).—This is a well-drained soil on broad stream terraces. It has the profile described as representative for the series. The mapped areas are about as wide as they are long and range from 5 to 100 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to brown loamy sand 9 to 15 inches thick. This subsoil is yellowish red, friable clay loam to sandy loam about 35 to 45 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Wickham soils that have a sandy loam or very fine loam surface layer. Also included were some areas of Kalmia and Kenansville soils and some small and large areas of borrow pits and mines along the Neuse River near Goldsboro (fig. 10).

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is slow. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly corn, tobacco, soybeans, small grain, and truck crops. About 40 percent of the acreage is flooded for short periods. Except for this hazard, there are no other major hazards or limitations for intensive use of this soil. Nearly all of the acreage is cultivated, but a small acreage is pastured and forested. Capability unit I-1; woodland group 2o7.

Wickham loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes (WhB).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth, low ridges on stream terraces. The mapped areas are elongated and range from 5 to 40 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish-brown to brown loamy sand 7 to 15 inches thick. The subsoil is yellowish-red, friable clay loam to sandy loam about 35 to 45 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Wickham soils that have a sandy loam or a very fine

sandy loam surface layer. Also included were small and large areas of borrow pits and mines along the Neuse River near Goldsboro and some areas of Kalmia and Kenansville soils.

Infiltration is moderate, and surface runoff is medium. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content.

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly corn, tobacco, soybeans, and small grain. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate. About 40 percent of the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Conservation practices are needed to effectively control runoff and erosion where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested. The forested areas are on the shortest slopes of this mapping unit. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o7.

Wickham sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded (WkB2).—This is a well-drained soil on smooth, low ridges on stream terraces. The mapped areas are elongated and range from 5 to 15 acres in size. The surface layer is grayish brown in the uneroded areas to strong brown in the more eroded areas and is dominantly sandy loam 5 to 8 inches thick. In places, it is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is yellowish-red, friable clay loam to sandy loam about 35 to 40 inches thick.

Included with this soil in mapping were a few areas of Wickham soils that have a loamy sand or very fine sandy loam surface layer, and some eroded spots where the subsoil is exposed. Also included were some small and large areas of borrow pits and mines and some areas of Kalmia soils.

Infiltration is moderately slow, and surface runoff is medium. Because the surface layer is thin, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth but can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content. The more eroded areas crust as they dry after a hard rain or become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth (fig. 11).

This soil is well suited to all locally grown crops, mainly corn, soybeans, small grain, and pasture. About 40 percent of the acreage is subject to infrequent floods for short periods. Because of slope, the erosion hazard is moderate, and conservation practices are needed to effectively reduce runoff and control erosion where this soil is cultivated. Most of the acreage is cultivated or pastured, and the rest is forested. Capability unit IIe-1; woodland group 2o7.

Use and Management of the Soils

This section discusses use and management of the soils for crops and pasture, woodland, wildlife, and engineering.

Use of the Soils for Crops and Pasture²

This section has three main parts. The first describes the capability grouping of soils in the capability classi-

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Figure 10.—Borrow pits in an area of Wickham soils along the Neuse River.

fication system. The second describes the capability units in Wayne County and gives general suggestions for management of the soils in each capability unit. The third gives estimated yields for important crops grown under high-level management.

Capability grouping

Capability grouping shows, in a general way, the suitability of soils for most kinds of field crops. The groups are made according to the limitations of the soils when used for field crops, the risk of damage when they are used, and the way they respond to treatment. The grouping does not take into account major and generally expensive landforming that would change slope, depth, or other characteristics of the soils; does not take into consideration possible but unlikely major reclamation projects; and does not apply to rice, cranberries, horticultural crops, or other crops requiring special management.

Those familiar with the capability classification can infer from it much about the behavior of soils when used for other purposes, but this classification is not a substitute for interpretations designed to show suitability and limitations of groups of soils for forest trees or engineering.

In the capability system, all kinds of soils are grouped at three levels, the capability class, subclass, and unit. These are discussed in the following paragraphs.

CAPABILITY CLASSES, the broadest groups, are designated by Roman numerals I through VIII. The numerals indicate progressively greater limitations and narrower choices for practical use, defined as follows:

- Class I. Soils have few limitations that restrict their use.
- Class II. Soils have moderate limitations that reduce the choice of plants or require moderate conservation practices.



Figure 11.—Poor stand and uneven growth of corn on Wickham sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded.

Class III. Soils have severe limitations that reduce the choice of plants, require special conservation practices, or both.

Class IV. Soils have very severe limitations that reduce the choice of plants, require very careful management, or both.

Class V. Soils are not likely to erode but have other limitations, impractical to remove, that limit their use largely to pasture, range, woodland, or wildlife.

Class VI. Soils have severe limitations that make them generally unsuited to cultivation and limit their use largely to pasture or range, woodland, or wildlife.

Class VII. Soils have very severe limitations that make them unsuited to cultivation and that restrict their use largely to pasture or range, woodland, or wildlife. (None in Wayne County.)

Class VIII. Soils and landforms have limitations that preclude their use for commercial plants and restrict their use to recreation, wildlife, or water supply, or to esthetic purposes. (None in Wayne County.)

CAPABILITY SUBCLASSES are soil groups within one class; they are designated by adding a lower case letter, *e*, *w*, *s*, or *c*, to the class numeral, for example, IIe. The letter *e* shows that the main limitation is risk of erosion (unless close-growing plant cover is maintained); *w* shows that water in or on the soil interferes with plant growth or

cultivation (in some soils the wetness can be partly corrected by artificial drainage); *s* shows that the soil is limited mainly because it is shallow, droughty, or stony; and *c*, used in some parts of the United States but not in Wayne County, shows that the chief limitation is climate that is too cold or too dry.

In class I there are no subclasses, because the soils of this class have few limitations. Class V can contain, at the most, only the subclasses indicated by *w*, *s*, and *c*, because the soils in class V are subject to little or no erosion, though they have other limitations that restrict their use largely to pasture, range, woodland, wildlife, or recreation.

CAPABILITY UNITS are soil groups within the subclasses. The soils in one capability unit are enough alike to be suited to the same crops and pasture plants, to require similar management, and to have similar productivity and other responses to management. Thus, the capability unit is a convenient grouping for making many statements about management of soils. Capability units are generally designated by adding an Arabic numeral to the subclass symbol, for example, IIe-1 or IIIe-2. Thus, in one symbol, the Roman numeral designates the capability class, or degree of limitation; the small letter indicates the subclass, or kind of limitation, as defined in the foregoing paragraph; and the Arabic numeral specifically identifies the capability unit within each subclass. Capability unit numbers generally are assigned locally but are part of a statewide system. All of the units in the system are

not represented in Wayne County; therefore, the numbers are not consecutive.

In the following pages the capability units in Wayne County are described and suggestions for the use and management of the soils are given.

CAPABILITY UNIT I-1

This unit consists of well-drained, nearly level soils on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loamy sand or very fine sandy loam underlain by friable sandy loam to clay loam.

The soils in this unit are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium to high, and permeability is moderate. These soils are easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to fertilizer and lime.

These soils are well suited to all crops grown locally. They are used primarily for row crops, especially tobacco. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and only a small acreage is in forest or pasture.

There are no serious hazards for intensive use of these soils for clean-tilled crops. The return of all crop residue helps maintain organic-matter content. Perennial grasses in the cropping system are effective in reducing erosion and loss of water and increasing crop yields.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIe-1

This unit consists of well-drained, gently sloping soils on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loamy sand to very fine sandy loam. In places the plow layer is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is exposed in spots and is friable sandy loam to clay loam.

The soils in this unit are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium to high, and permeability is moderate. In the un-eroded areas, these soils are easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. In the eroded areas, these soils are difficult to keep in good tilth, but they can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content. The eroded areas crust as they dry and become cloddy if worked when wet. This affects germination and causes poor or uneven crop growth. Crops grown on these soils respond well to fertilizer and lime.

The soils in this unit are well suited to all crops grown in the county. They are used mostly for row crops, especially tobacco and truck crops. Most of the acreage is cultivated and pastured, and the rest is forested.

The erosion hazard is moderate where these soils are cultivated. Runoff and erosion can be reduced by managing all crop residue, protecting the soil surface with close-growing crops 25 to 50 percent of the time, tilling on the contour, establishing diversions and terraces, and stripcropping. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposal of surface runoff need to be vegetated with perennial grasses, preferably a sod-forming type.

A suitable cropping system is 2 or more years of close-growing crops followed by 1 or 2 years of row crops. Another is 1 year of a close-growing crop followed by 1 year of a row crop. Perennial grasses are suitable close-growing crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIe-3

Only Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded, is in this unit. This is a moderately well drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is sandy loam. In most areas the plow layer is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is exposed in spots and is very firm clay to firm clay loam.

This soil is medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium and permeability is slow. Because of the thin surface layer, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is suited to most crops grown locally. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated or in pasture.

Where this soil is cultivated, the erosion hazard is moderate. Runoff and erosion can be reduced and soil tilth improved by managing all crop residue, protecting the soil surface with close-growing crops 35 to 50 percent of the time, tilling on the contour, establishing diversions and terraces, and stripcropping. Minimum tillage helps to maintain good soil structure. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposing of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type.

A suitable cropping system is 2 or more years of close-growing crops followed by 1 or 2 years of row crops. Another is 1 year of close-growing crops followed by 1 year of row crops. Perennial grasses are suitable close-growing crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIw-1

This unit consists of moderately well drained soils on uplands. The surface layer is loamy sand to very fine sandy loam. The subsoil is friable to very friable sandy loam or silt loam to clay loam.

The soils in this unit are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. The available water capacity is medium to high, and permeability is moderate. These soils are easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

The soils in this unit are well suited to all crops grown locally. Most of the acreage is cultivated and pastured, and part is forested.

Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table. For tobacco and other special crops, land leveling and open ditches or tile are needed in places to improve drainage. If all crop residue is properly managed, the soils in this unit can be used for row crops each year. Organic-matter content and tilth can be maintained at a high level if a soil-conserving crop, preferably perennial grass, is grown every other year or 1 year out of 3 years.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIw-2

This unit consists of somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loamy sand to very fine sandy loam. The subsoil is very friable and friable sandy loam or silt loam to clay loam.

The soils in this unit are low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is me-

dium to high, and permeability is moderate to moderately rapid. These soils are easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Where artificially drained, these soils are well suited to most locally grown crops. Corn, soybeans, and small grain are suitable. About half the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured or forested.

Wetness is a moderate limitation because of the seasonal high water table, and artificial drainage is needed. If all crop residue is properly managed, row crops can be grown each year. Organic-matter content and tilth can be maintained by growing a soil-conserving crop, preferably perennial grass, every other year or 1 year out of 3 years.

CAPABILITY UNIT II_s-1

This unit consists of well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is dominantly friable to very friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam.

The soils in this unit are low to very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is low, and permeability is moderate to moderately rapid. These soils are fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

The soils in this unit are well suited to most crops grown locally. Most of the acreage is cultivated, and the rest is pastured and forested.

These soils have moderate limitations of low fertility, leaching, and droughtiness, and soil blowing is a hazard. Organic-matter content can be maintained and erosion and loss of water reduced by managing all crop residue and protecting the soil with soil-conserving crops 25 to 50 percent of the time. Crop residue and organic matter are rapidly depleted in these soils.

A cropping system that adds large amounts of long-lasting crop residue should be used. A suitable system is 2 or more years of perennial grass or legume followed by a row crop for 1 or 2 years. Another is 1 or more years of densely growing annuals followed by a row crop for 1 year. Minimum tillage keeps crop residue on the surface. Contour cultivation, establishing diversions, and stripcropping are needed on the gently sloping soils. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type. Fertilizers, particularly nitrogen, are added in split applications.

CAPABILITY UNIT III_e-1

Only Norfolk loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes, is in this unit. This is a well-drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is loamy sand. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

This soil is low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium, and permeability is moderate. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated or in pasture. This soil is well suited to most crops grown locally. Because slopes are short, row crops generally are not grown.

Because this soil is strongly sloping, erosion is a severe hazard in cultivated areas. Erosion and runoff can be reduced, soil tilth improved, and organic-matter content increased by managing all crop residue, protecting the soil with close-growing crops 50 to 75 percent of the time, tilling on the contour, stripcropping, and establishing diversions, grassed waterways, and field borders. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type.

A suitable cropping system is 2 or more years of soil-conserving crops followed by 1 year of row crops. Another is 2 years of soil-conserving crops followed by 2 years of row crops. Perennial grasses are suitable soil-conserving crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT III_e-2

Only Craven sandy loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, eroded, is in this unit. This is a moderately well drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is sandy loam. In most areas, the plow layer is a mixture of material from the original surface layer and from the subsoil. The subsoil is exposed in spots and is very firm clay to firm clay loam.

This soil is medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium, and permeability is slow. Because of the thin surface layer, this soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content. The more eroded spots crust as they dry after a hard rain or become cloddy if worked when wet. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is fairly well suited to most crops grown locally. Because slopes are short, row crops generally are not grown.

Most of the acreage of this soil is wooded, and the rest is used mainly for cultivated crops and pasture.

Where this soil is cultivated, runoff and erosion are severe hazards because of slope and slow permeability. Erosion and runoff can be reduced, soil tilth improved, and organic-matter content increased by managing all crop residue, protecting the soil with close-growing crops 50 to 75 percent of the time, tilling on the contour, stripcropping, and establishing diversions. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type.

A suitable cropping system is 2 or more years of soil-conserving crops followed by 1 year of row crops. Another is 3 or more years of a soil-conserving crop followed by 1 or 2 years of a row crop. Perennial grasses are suitable soil-conserving crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT III_e-3

Only Wagram loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes, is in this unit. This is a well-drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

This soil is low to very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is low,

and permeability is moderately rapid. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is fairly well suited to most crops grown locally. Because slopes are short, row crops generally are not grown. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated and pastured.

The erosion hazard is severe where this soil is cultivated. This soil has moderate limitations because of low to very low fertility, leaching, droughtiness, and soil blowing. Erosion and runoff can be reduced and organic-matter content maintained by managing all crop residue, protecting the soil with soil-conserving crops 50 to 75 percent of the time, tilling on the contour, and strip-cropping. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type. Liberal fertilization in split applications is needed for good crop growth.

A suitable cropping system is 2 or more years of close-growing crops followed by 2 years of row crops and a cover crop after the first year row crop. Another is 1 or more years of close-growing crops followed by 1 year of row crops. Minimum tillage preserves crop residue on the surface. Perennial grasses are suitable close-growing crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIIw-2

Only Coxville loam is in this unit. This is a poorly drained, nearly level soil on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loam, and the subsoil is firm sandy clay to friable sandy clay loam.

This soil is medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium, and permeability is moderately slow. This soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a narrow range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Where artificially drained, this soil is well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn and soybeans. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and in pasture.

Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table, moderately slow permeability, and surface ponding. Drainage is the major concern in management. Organic-matter content can be maintained and soil tilth and structure improved by proper management of all crop residue.

A suitable cropping system is 3 or more years of pasture followed by 2 years of clean-tilled crops. Another is 1 or more years of soil-conserving crops followed by 1 year of clean-tilled crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIIw-3

This unit consists of poorly drained to very poorly drained, nearly level soils on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loamy sand to loam, and the subsoil is friable or very friable sandy loam or silt loam to clay loam.

The soils in this unit are medium to low in natural fertility and low to medium in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium to high, and permeability is moderately slow to moderately rapid. These

soils are easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Where artificially drained, these soils are well suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn, soybeans, and fescue. Most of the acreage is forested, and the rest is cultivated and pastured.

Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table, and artificial drainage is needed for most crops. Row crops can be grown every year. All crop residue should be properly managed and returned to the soil. Organic-matter content and tilth can be maintained by growing perennial grasses and legumes 25 to 50 percent of the time.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIIw-5

Only Chewacla loam is in this unit. This is a somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soil on flood plains subject to very frequent floods. The surface layer is loam, and the subsoil is friable sandy loam to clay loam.

This soil is low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is high and permeability is moderate. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a fairly wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is well suited to corn, soybeans, bermudagrass, and fescue. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and in pasture.

Wetness is a severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and very frequent floods. Drainage and flood control are major concerns in management. Organic-matter content can be maintained and soil tilth improved by returning large quantities of crop residue to the soil.

A suitable cropping system is 1 or more years of a close-growing crop followed by 1 or 2 years of row crops. Perennial grass is a suitable close-growing crop.

CAPABILITY UNIT IIIs-1

Only Troup sand is in this unit. This is a well-drained, nearly level to gently sloping soil on uplands. The surface layer is sand 40 to 70 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy loam to sandy clay loam.

This soil is very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is very low, and permeability is moderately rapid. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is fairly well suited to a few crops grown locally. Most of the acreage is forested.

This soil has severe limitations because of low fertility, very low organic-matter content, droughtiness, and leaching. Soil blowing is a severe hazard. Soil blowing can be reduced and organic-matter content maintained by properly managing all crop residue and planting soil-conserving crops, preferably perennials, 50 percent or more of the time. Crop residue and organic matter are depleted rapidly in this soil. All major draws and field borders for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type. Fertilizers, particularly nitrogen, are added in split applications.

A cropping system that adds large amounts of durable residue is needed. A suitable system is 3 or more years of perennial grass or legumes followed by 1 or 2 years of row crops. Another is 2 years of densely growing crops followed by 1 year of row crops. Crops should be planted in strips.

CAPABILITY UNIT IVe-1

Only Kalmia loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes, is in this unit. This is a well-drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is loamy sand, and the subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

This soil is low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium, and permeability is moderate. This soil is easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is fairly well suited to most crops grown locally. Because slopes commonly are short, row crops generally are not grown. Nearly all of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and in pasture.

Because this soil is strongly sloping, runoff and erosion are severe hazards in cultivated areas. Erosion and runoff can be reduced and tilth improved by protecting the soil 75 percent or more of the time with soil-conserving crops, cultivating on the contour, grassing field borders, stripcropping, establishing diversions, and managing all crop residue. Natural draws and other outlets for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grass, preferably a sod-forming type.

A suitable cropping system is 3 or more years of perennial grasses or legumes followed by 1 year of row crops. Perennial grasses are suitable soil-conserving crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT IVe-2

Only Wagram loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes, is in this unit. This is a well-drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is loamy sand 20 to 40 inches thick. The subsoil is friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

This soil is low to very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is low, and permeability is moderately rapid. This soil is fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is fairly well suited to most crops grown locally. Because slopes are short, row crops generally are not grown. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is in pasture or cultivated.

Because of slope, water erosion and soil blowing are very severe hazards where this soil is cultivated. The soil has moderate limitations because of low to very low fertility, leaching, and droughtiness. Erosion and runoff can be reduced and organic-matter content increased by managing all crop residue, protecting the soil with close-growing crops 75 percent or more of the time, cultivating on the contour, stripcropping, and establishing diversions. Natural draws, field borders, and other outlets for disposal of surface water need to be vegetated with perennial grasses, preferably a sod-forming type.

A suitable cropping system is 3 or more years of perennial grasses or legumes followed by row crops for

1 year. Another is 4 or more years of perennial grasses or legumes followed by 2 years of row crops.

CAPABILITY UNIT IVw-2

Only Leaf loam is in this unit. This is a poorly drained, nearly level soil on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is loam, and the subsoil is very firm clay loam.

This soil is medium in natural fertility and low in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is high, and permeability is slow. This soil is difficult to keep in good tilth and can be worked within only a range of moisture content. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

Where artificially drained, this soil is suited to a few locally grown crops, mainly corn, soybeans, and fescue, but it is better suited to pasture and hay. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and in pasture.

Wetness is a very severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table and slow permeability. Poor drainage, lack of outlets, and infrequent floods in some areas are major concerns in management. Where this soil is cultivated, organic-matter content can be maintained and tilth and soil structure improved by managing all crop residue.

CAPABILITY UNIT IVw-4

This unit consists of poorly drained and very poorly drained, nearly level soils on flood plains subject to very frequent flooding, and poorly drained soils on terraces subject to infrequent flooding. The surface layer is sandy loam to loam. The underlying layer is dominantly friable sandy loam to clay loam.

These soils are low to medium in natural fertility and low to high in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium to high, and permeability ranges from moderate to moderately rapid. These soils are easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. Crops respond fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

Where artificially drained, these soils are suited to corn, soybeans, and fescue. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated and in pasture.

Wetness is a very severe limitation because of the seasonal high water table, flooding, and lack of outlets for drains. These are the major concerns in management. Organic-matter content can be maintained and soil tilth and structure improved by managing all crop residue.

CAPABILITY UNIT IVs-1

This unit consists of excessively drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils on uplands and terraces. The surface layer is sand more than 72 inches thick or is sand 30 to 60 inches thick over weakly cemented sand or loamy sand.

The soils in this unit are very low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is very low, and permeability is moderate to rapid. These soils are fairly easy to keep in good tilth and can be worked throughout a wide range of moisture content. During prolonged dry periods crops are severely damaged by lack of sufficient moisture. Crops respond poorly to fertilizer and lime.

These soils are fairly well suited to a few locally grown crops. They are better suited to slash pine, long-

leaf pine, and loblolly pine. These soils are also suited to pasture, wildlife habitat, and recreation sites. Most of the acreage is in forest, and the rest is cultivated.

Leaching of plant nutrients, droughtiness, very low organic-matter content, very low fertility, very low available water capacity, and soil blowing are limitations for use and management of these soils. Organic-matter content can be increased and leaching reduced by managing all crop residue and growing close-growing crops 50 percent or more of the time.

A cropping system that adds large amounts of long-lasting residue is desirable. A suitable cropping system is 2 or more years of perennial grass or legume followed by 1 year of row crops. Liberal amounts of fertilizer added in split applications is recommended. Crops should be planted in strips.

CAPABILITY UNIT Vw-1

This unit consists of a nearly level, somewhat poorly drained soil on uplands and terraces, and a very poorly drained, very frequently flooded soil on flood plains. These soils have a surface layer of sand or muck over very friable or friable, weakly cemented sand.

The soils in this unit are low to very low in natural fertility and very low to high in organic-matter content. Available water capacity is low to high, and permeability is moderate. Crops respond poorly to fairly well to lime and fertilizer.

These soils are generally unsuited to crops because of wetness, deficiency of plant nutrients, difficulty or impracticability of establishing drainage, very frequent floods, and the hazard of burning on drained muck. They are best suited to pasture, woodland, and wildlife habitat. Blueberries and other special crops can be grown on the sandy soils that have a weakly cemented subsoil. Nearly all of the acreage is in forest.

CAPABILITY UNIT VIc-1

Only *Kalmia* loamy sand, 15 to 25 percent slopes, is in this unit. This is a well-drained soil on uplands. The surface layer is loamy sand underlain by friable sandy clay loam to sandy loam.

This soil is low in natural fertility and organic-matter content. Available water capacity is medium, and permeability is moderate. Crops respond well to lime and fertilizer.

This soil is not suited to cultivated crops because of steep slopes, rapid runoff, and the hazard of erosion. It is suited to pasture, forest, and wildlife habitat, and fairly well suited to *sericea lespedeza*, white clover, bermuda-grass, and fescue. Most of the acreage is in forest.

If properly managed, this soil can produce enough forage for grazing. Seeding or renovating pasture in alternate strips helps reduce the hazard of erosion. Grass that grows to a height of 2 to 3 inches or more protects the soil and prolongs the life of the pasture.

Estimated yields

Table 2 gives estimates of yields of the principal crops grown in Wayne County. Yields depend upon a combination of soil and climate, the kind of crop, and the level of management. The estimates in table 2 are based on

high-level management. Yields are substantially lower if management is less intensive.

Practices generally considered necessary to obtain the yields given in table 2 are:

1. Fertilizer and lime are added according to the needs indicated by soil tests.
2. High-yielding varieties of crops are grown.
3. Legumes are inoculated.
4. The soils are properly tilled, and the crops are properly cultivated.
5. Weeds, insects, and diseases are controlled.
6. Crops are grown in conservation rotations.
7. Runoff is adequately controlled.
8. Overgrazing is avoided, and pasture is well managed.

The estimates given in the table are for periods of average rainfall on soils that are not irrigated, have adequate drainage, and are not flooded or ponded.

Use of the Soils for Woodland³

This section briefly describes the forests of Wayne County and the relationship between soils and trees. It provides interpretations useful to owners and managers of woodland in developing and harvesting trees.

All of the area that is now Wayne County originally was covered by forests. Many kinds of needleleaf and broadleaf trees grew in these forests. Loblolly, longleaf, and shortleaf pines, white oak, southern red oak, hickory, yellow-poplar, blackgum, dogwood, and sourwood grew on the well-drained soils between streams on uplands. Loblolly and longleaf pines were scattered in stands of sweetgum, blackgum, willow oak, water oak, white oak, and yellow-poplar on the more poorly drained soils of the uplands. Pond pine, pondcypress, swamp tupelo, red maple, sweetbay, and redbay competed with a profuse growth of heathlike evergreen shrubs on the very poorly drained soils in flat, depressed areas on the uplands.

Longleaf pine and an understory of turkey, bluejack, blackjack, and other scrub oaks were dominant on the deep sands and loamy sands, especially in the eastern and southeastern parts of the county. Yellow-poplar, sweetgum, swamp tupelo, blackgum, white oak, elm, ash, sycamore, and river birch grew on the better drained soils of the flood plains along the major streams. Baldcypress, swamp tupelo, water tupelo, Carolina (water) ash, and red maple were dominant on the very poorly drained soils on flood plains and in the swamps.

Forests now occupy 157,000 acres (9) or about 44 percent of Wayne County, and are one of its most important natural resources. More than 99 percent of the woodland is privately owned, mainly by farmers, and many of the privately owned woodlots are less than 100 acres in size.

Rating soils for woodland use

The soils of Wayne County have been grouped in table 3 on the basis of their suitability for producing tree crops. The ratings are based on measurements by foresters and soil scientists, pertinent research, and the experience of foresters and forest managers. They are

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TABLE 2.—Estimated average acre yields of crops and pasture plants under a high level of management

[Absence of a yield figure means that the crop is not commonly grown on the soil, or there is no data on which to base an estimate]

Soils	Corn	Soybeans	Cotton	Tobacco	Cucumbers	Sweet potatoes	Wheat	Oats	Hay		Pasture	
									Coastal bermuda grass	Tons	Coastal bermuda grass	Fescue and ladino clover
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Bu. 125	Bu. 50	Lbs. 3,000	Lbs. 550	Cwt. 250	Bu. 490	Bu. 60	Bu. 90	Tons 5.4	AUD ¹ 360	AUD ¹ 170	
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes	120	45	2,800	500	235	465	55	85	5.2	355	160	
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	110	40	2,700	450	215	-----	50	80	5.0	320	160	
Barclay very fine sandy loam	130	50	2,600	450	300	-----	50	85	5.0	330	260	
Bibb sandy loam	80	35	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	225	
Chewacla loam	100	40	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	300	230	
Coxville loam	125	45	-----	-----	-----	-----	45	-----	-----	-----	245	
Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	70	30	-----	-----	-----	-----	30	70	4.0	270	160	
Craven sandy loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, eroded	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3.6	230	140	
Dragston loamy sand	105	40	2,500	400	280	-----	50	80	4.8	320	200	
Exum very fine sandy loam	125	50	2,800	450	290	550	60	90	5.2	340	215	
Goldsboro loamy sand	125	50	3,000	450	290	550	60	90	5.4	355	200	
Johns sandy loam	120	45	2,600	-----	270	-----	50	75	4.6	300	230	
Johnston loam	90	35	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	180	
Kalmia loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	115	45	2,900	500	225	500	55	90	5.4	360	165	
Kalmia loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	110	40	2,700	450	210	-----	50	85	5.2	355	160	
Kalmia loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	320	145	
Kalmia loamy sand, 15 to 25 percent slopes	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	290	135	
Kenansville loamy sand	85	35	2,300	400	-----	425	45	75	4.4	285	-----	
Kinston loam	80	35	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	225	
Lakeland sand	55	20	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3.0	200	-----	
Leaf loam	100	35	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	260	
Leon sand	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Liddell very fine sandy loam	130	50	-----	-----	300	-----	50	-----	-----	-----	260	
Lucy loamy sand	100	30	2,500	400	-----	450	40	80	4.8	320	135	
Lumbee sandy loam	110	45	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	260	
Lynchburg sandy loam	130	50	2,600	450	300	-----	50	85	5.0	330	260	
Myatt very fine sandy loam	120	45	-----	-----	300	-----	45	-----	-----	-----	260	
Nahunta very fine sandy loam	120	50	2,500	-----	300	-----	50	85	4.8	320	260	
Nixonton very fine sandy loam	125	50	2,800	450	300	550	60	90	5.4	355	200	
Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	125	50	3,000	550	225	500	60	85	5.4	360	165	
Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	120	45	2,800	500	210	475	55	85	5.2	355	160	
Norfolk loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes	110	35	2,700	450	195	400	50	80	5.0	325	155	
Norfolk sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	110	40	2,700	450	195	-----	50	80	5.0	330	160	
Pamlico muck	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	
Pantego loam	130	50	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	260	
Rains sandy loam	130	50	-----	-----	300	-----	50	-----	-----	-----	260	
Rimini sand	55	20	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	3.0	200	-----	
Ruston loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	125	50	3,000	550	225	500	60	90	5.4	360	170	
Ruston loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	120	45	2,800	500	210	475	55	85	5.2	355	160	
Ruston sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	110	40	2,700	450	195	-----	50	80	5.0	330	160	
Torhunta loam	120	45	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	260	
Troup sand	85	30	1,900	350	-----	-----	-----	-----	3.8	250	-----	
Wagram loamy sand, 0 to 6 percent slopes	100	35	2,500	400	-----	450	40	80	4.8	320	135	
Wagram loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes	-----	-----	2,200	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	4.4	290	-----	
Wagram loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	4.0	270	-----	
Weston loamy sand	115	40	-----	-----	240	-----	50	-----	-----	-----	200	
Wickham loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	125	50	2,700	500	225	500	60	90	5.4	360	210	
Wickham loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	120	45	2,500	450	210	475	55	85	5.2	355	205	
Wickham sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	110	40	2,400	400	195	-----	50	80	5.0	320	205	

¹ Animal-unit-days is a term used to express the carrying capacity of pasture. It is the number of animal units carried per acre multiplied by the number of days the pasture is grazed during a single grazing season without injury to the sod. An acre of pasture that provides 30 days of grazing for 2 cows has a carrying capacity of 60 cow-acre-days. An animal unit is 1 cow, steer, or horse, 5 hogs, or 7 sheep or goats.

TABLE 3.—Woodland management

Woodland group and map symbols	Potential productivity		Preferred species for planting		Degree of limitations		
	Tree species	Site Class	Broadleaf	Needleleaf	Erosion hazard	Equipment restrictions	Seedling mortality
Group 1w8: Somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable, loamy subsoil. They are on flood plains and are frequently flooded. Potential productivity is very high. The soils are well suited to needleleaf and broadleaf trees. Ch	Cottonwood----- Green ash----- Loblolly pine----- Red oak----- Sugarberry----- Swamp tupelo----- Sweetgum----- Sycamore----- Water oak----- Yellow-poplar--- Slash pine----- Willow oak----- Cherrybark oak-----	100 100 100 90 80 80 100 90 90 100 100 90	Cottonwood, sweetgum, sycamore, yellow-poplar, cherrybark oak, water oak, green ash, willow oak, Shumard oak, white oak, swamp tupelo, swamp chestnut oak.	Loblolly pine, slash pine, longleaf pine, pond pine, baldcypress.	Slight-----	Moderate---	Moderate.
Group 1w9: Very poorly drained to poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable, loamy subsoil. They are on flood plains and are frequently flooded and subject to ponding. The soils are suited to broadleaf and needleleaf trees. Js, Kn, Po	Cottonwood ¹ ----- Slash pine ¹ ----- Loblolly pine ¹ ----- Water oak ¹ ----- Tupelos----- Pond pine----- Sweetgum----- Yellow-poplar--- Willow oak----- Baldcypress-----	100 100 100 90-100 ----- 70-80 100 110 100 -----	Sweetgum, ² sycamore, ² green ash, yellow-poplar, willow oak, water oak, swamp tupelo.	Loblolly pine, slash pine, pond pine, baldcypress. ²	Slight-----	Severe ² ----	Severe. ²
Group 2o1: Well-drained, nearly level to sloping soils that have a friable, loamy subsoil. They are on uplands. Potential productivity is high. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. AyA, AyB, AyB2, NoA, NoB, NoC, NrB2, RuA, RuB, RyB2	Loblolly pine--- Slash pine----- Longleaf pine---	90 90 70	None recommended--	Loblolly pine, slash pine, longleaf pine.	Slight-----	Slight-----	Slight.
Group 2o7: Well drained and moderately well drained, nearly level to moderately steep soils that have a very friable to friable, loamy subsoil. They are on uplands and stream terraces. Potential productivity is high. The soils are suited to needleleaf and broadleaf trees. KaA, KaB, KaD, KaE, Nf, WhA, WhB, WkB2	Loblolly pine--- Slash pine----- Yellow-poplar--- Red oak----- White oak----- Longleaf pine--- Sweetgum----- Southern red oak--	90 90 100 ----- ----- 70 90 80	Yellow-poplar, black walnut, sweetgum, cherrybark oak, Shumard oak, southern red oak, white oak, white ash, swamp chestnut oak.	Loblolly pine, slash pine, longleaf pine.	Slight-----	Slight-----	Slight.

See footnotes at end of table.

Group 2w2: Somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable, loamy subsoil. They are on stream terraces and are infrequently flooded. Potential productivity is high. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. Jo	Loblolly pine.....	90	None recommended..	Loblolly pine, slash pine, longleaf pine, pond pine, baldcypress.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Moderate.
	Slash pine.....	90					
	Longleaf pine....	70					
	Sweetgum.....	90					
Group 2w3: Poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable, loamy subsoil. They are on uplands and are subject to ponding. Potential productivity is high. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. Ra	Loblolly pine.....	90	None recommended..	Slash pine, ² loblolly pine, ² longleaf pine, ² baldcypress. ²	Slight.....	Severe ²	Severe. ²
	Slash pine.....	90					
	Longleaf pine....	70					
	Sweetgum.....	90					
	Tupelos.....	-----					
Group 2w8: Moderately well drained and somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a friable and very friable, loamy subsoil. They are on uplands and stream terraces. Potential productivity is high. The soils are suited to needleleaf and broadleaf trees. Ba, Dr, Ex, Go, Ly, Na	Loblolly pine.....	90	Yellow-poplar, sycamore, sweetgum, water oak, willow oak, white oak, cherrybark oak, swamp chestnut oak, green ash, swamp tupelo.	Loblolly pine, slash pine, longleaf pine, pond pine, baldcypress.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Moderate.
	Slash pine.....	90					
	Sweetgum.....	90					
	Yellow-poplar....	100					
	Water oak.....	90					
	Blackgum.....	-----					
	Red oak.....	-----					
	White oak.....	-----					
	Longleaf pine....	70-80					
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Group 2w9: Poorly drained and very poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a very friable, loamy, to very firm, clayey subsoil. They are on floodplains, stream terraces, and uplands. They are subject to very frequent flooding, or infrequent flooding, or ponding. Potential productivity is high. The soils are best suited to water-tolerant broadleaf and needleleaf trees. Bb, Co, Le, Ls, Lv, My, To, We	Cottonwood.....	100	Cottonwood, green ash, sweetgum, ² sycamore, ² swamp tupelo, water tupelo, Shumard oak, ² water oak, ² willow oak, cherrybark oak.	Loblolly pine, ² slash pine, ² pond pine, ² baldcypress. ²	Slight.....	Severe ²	Severe. ²
	Loblolly pine ¹ ..	90					
	Slash pine ¹	90					
	Longleaf pine....	70					
	Pond pine.....	70					
	Tupelo.....	-----					
	Baldcypress.....	-----					
	Sweetgum ¹	90					
	Green ash.....	90					
	Red oak.....	-----					
	White oak.....	-----					
	Sycamore.....	-----					
	Yellow-poplar....	100					
	Water oak.....	90					
	Willow oak.....	90					
Group 3s2: Well-drained, nearly level to strongly sloping soils that have a sandy surface layer 20 to 72 inches thick overlying friable, loamy subsoil. They are on uplands. Potential productivity is moderately high. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. Ke, Lu, Tr, WaB, WaC, WaD	Slash pine.....	80	None recommended..	Slash pine, loblolly pine, longleaf pine.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Moderate.
	Loblolly pine....	80					
	Longleaf pine....	60-70					
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See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE 3.—Woodland management—Continued

Woodland group and map symbols	Potential productivity		Preferred species for planting		Degree of limitations		
	Tree species	Site class	Broadleaf	Needleleaf	Erosion hazard	Equipment restrictions	Seedling mortality
Group 3w2: Moderately well drained, gently sloping to sloping soils that have a firm loamy to very firm clayey subsoil. They are on uplands. Potential productivity is moderately high. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. CrB2, CrC2	Loblolly pine... Slash pine..... Longleaf pine...-	80 80 70	None recommended..	Slash pine, loblolly pine, longleaf pine.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Moderate.
Group 4s2: Excessively drained, nearly level to gently sloping soils that are sandy to a depth of 72 inches or more. They are on uplands and stream terraces. Potential productivity is moderate. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. La	Slash pine..... Loblolly pine.... Longleaf pine...-	70 70 60	None recommended..	Slash pine, loblolly pine, longleaf pine.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Moderate.
Group 4w2: Somewhat poorly drained, nearly level soils that have a sandy surface layer and a weakly cemented, sandy subsoil. They are on uplands and stream terraces. Potential productivity is moderate. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. Ln	Slash pine..... Loblolly pine... Longleaf pine...-	70 70 60	None recommended..	Slash pine, loblolly pine, longleaf pine.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Moderate.
Group 4w3: Very poorly drained, nearly level organic soils that have a muck surface layer 12 to 50 inches thick over a sandy lower layer. They are on floodplains, and are very frequently flooded. Potential productivity is moderate. The soils are suited to needleleaf trees. Pa	Slash pine ¹ Loblolly pine ¹ ... Tupelos..... Pond pine..... Baldcypress.....	70 70 60	None recommended..	Slash pine, ² loblolly pine, ² pond pine, ² baldcypress, ² atlantic white cedar. ²	Slight.....	Severe ² ...	Severe. ²
Group 5s3: Excessively drained, nearly level soils that have a sandy surface layer 30 to 60 inches thick over a friable, weakly cemented, sandy subsoil. They are on uplands. Potential productivity is low. The soils are best suited to needleleaf trees. Rm	Longleaf pine... Slash pine.....	50 60	None recommended..	Slash pine, longleaf pine.	Slight.....	Moderate...	Severe.

¹ Potential productivity is attainable only where surface drainage is adequate.² Tree planting is feasible only where surface drainage is adequate.

a means of expressing information useful in managing soils for tree crops. Terms used in the table are defined in the following paragraphs.

Potential productivity.—This is expressed as a site class for a given tree species. Site class is the numerical designation of the relative potential productivity of the soils for the trees named in the table. It is based on the site index, or the average total height, in feet, of the dominant and codominant trees in an even-aged stand at age 30 for cottonwood, at age 35 for sycamore, and at age 50 for all the other trees. The site index is rounded to the nearest 10 feet to determine the site class. For some trees, especially broadleaf trees, the site class is estimated on the basis of the site class of other species on the same soil. Expected yields can be estimated on the basis of the site class (4).

Management problems.—Erosion hazard, equipment restrictions, and seedling mortality are concerns in management. Windthrow is not generally a hazard on the soils in Wayne County except when winds are abnormally high, as during a hurricane.

Erosion hazard.—Potential erosion is rated to indicate the hazard of erosion as the result of woodland management. Steepness of slope is the major factor considered, but the characteristics of a particular soil also affect the rating. Generally the rating is *slight* where slopes are 0 to 6 percent, *moderate* where 6 to 10 percent, and *severe* where more than 10 percent. These general ratings by slope are modified where the relative erodibility caused by soil characteristics intensifies or offsets the effect of runoff.

Equipment restrictions.—This rating concerns the soil characteristics and topographic features that restrict or prohibit the use of equipment commonly employed in constructing access roads, harvesting forest products, controlling undesirable vegetation and fire, or in other management operations. Excessive wetness and a coarse sandy surface texture are the chief factors restricting use of equipment in Wayne County. The rating is *slight* if conventional equipment can be used during any time of the year, except for short periods of heavy rainfall. The soils are moderately well drained to excessively drained, are not subject to overflow or ponding, and have slopes of less than 15 percent. The rating is *moderate* if conventional equipment can be used from March to December, but overflow occurs occasionally. The water table is generally below the surface or seldom ponds the surface for extended periods, and slopes are less than 25 percent. The rating is *severe* if use of conventional equipment is limited to the driest months or to periods between overflows or because slopes are more than 25 percent.

Seedling mortality.—This term refers to the expected loss of naturally occurring or planted tree seedlings of preferred species as a result of unfavorable soil characteristics or topographic features. Competition from other plants is not considered in rating seedling mortality. It is assumed that healthy seedlings of good quality have been properly planted or that the source of seed is adequate for seedlings established by natural reseeding, and that environmental conditions are normal for both planted and naturally established seedlings. The rating is *slight* if average mortality does not ordinarily exceed 25

percent, *moderate* if average mortality is 25 to 50 percent, and *severe* if average mortality exceeds 50 percent.

Preferred species for planting.—The principal commercial tree species to favor in existing stands and that are suitable for planting are listed in the table. Preferred species were selected on the basis of their growth rates and the quality, value, and general marketability of the wood crop.

Woodland grouping

A woodland group consists of soils which have comparable potential productivity and comparable limitations, produce similar wood crops, and require similar management or conservation practices.

In table 3, each woodland group is briefly described. The potential productivity and the degree of major limitations and hazards in management are rated, and trees preferred for planting are named.

In the table, a symbol consisting of three elements is used to designate each woodland group. The first element in the symbol is a numeral that denotes the relative potential productivity of the soils in the group. It expresses site quality based on the site index of one or more commercially important forest trees. The numeral 1 indicates very high potential productivity; the numeral 2, high potential productivity (fig. 12); the numeral 3, moderately high potential productivity; the numeral 4, moderate potential productivity; and the numeral 5, low potential productivity.

The second element in the symbol is a letter that denotes the soil property or physiographic characteristic that is the primary cause of hazards, limitations, or restrictions for woodland use or management. The letter "w" indicates excessive wetness (fig. 13). Soils with this designation are those in which excessive water, either seasonally or year long, causes significant limitations for woodland use. Such soils have restricted drainage, have a seasonal high water table, or are susceptible to overflow which adversely affects growth of trees or management of stands. The letter "s" indicates that management limitations are caused primarily by the amount of sandy material in the soil profile. Such soils commonly have no textural B horizon, have a low available water capacity, and normally are low in content of available plant nutrients. The high sand content also restricts the use of equipment. The letter "o" indicates that there are no significant soil-related limitations. Some soils may have more than one limiting characteristic. In such cases priority was assigned in the order that the characteristics are listed above.

The third element in the group symbol is a numeral that denotes the degree of hazards or limitations and the general suitability of the soils for certain kinds of trees. The numeral 1 indicates that the soils have no significant management limitations and that they are best suited to needleleaf trees. The numeral 2 indicates that the soils have slight to moderate limitations and are best suited to needleleaf trees. The numeral 3 indicates that the soils have moderate to severe limitations and are best suited to needleleaf trees. The numeral 7 indicates that the soils have no significant management problems and are well suited to needleleaf or broadleaf trees. The numeral 8 indicates that the soils have slight to mod-



Figure 12.—A managed stand of loblolly pine on Barclay very fine sandy loam. The stand was thinned 3 years previously. The site class for loblolly pine on this soil is 90.

erate limitations and are well suited to needleleaf or broadleaf trees. The numeral 9 indicates that the soils have moderate to severe limitations and are suited to needleleaf or broadleaf trees.

The woodland group to which each soil mapping unit is assigned can be determined by referring to the "Guide to Mapping Units."

Use of the Soils for Wildlife ⁴

The soils of Wayne County produce a wide variety of plants that provide food, cover, and habitat for many kinds of wildlife. Squirrels, rabbits, quail, and other kinds of upland game are abundant. Raccoon, muskrat, mink, and other fur bearers live along watercourses

throughout the county, and a few deer, turkey, and other larger game live in some parts of the county. In winter, mallard, wood, and black ducks are numerous along the Neuse River and its tributaries.

In table 4, the suitability of the soils for elements of wildlife habitat and kinds of wildlife is rated. The terms used in the table are explained in the following paragraphs.

Grasses and legumes are fescue, clover, shrub lespedeza, annual lespedeza, ryegrass, lovegrass, panicgrass, and other domestic grasses and legumes established by planting that furnish food and cover for wildlife.

Grain and seed crops are primarily corn, dove proso millet, browntop millet, wheat, oats, and other agricultural crops that provide food for wildlife. The rating reflects the suitability of the soil to produce these crops under good management.

⁴By JOHN P. EDWARDS, biologist, Soil Conservation Service.



Figure 13.—A natural stand of loblolly pine on Lumbee sandy loam. The site class for loblolly pine on this soil is 90.

Wild herbaceous plants are pokeweed, tick clover, ragweed, wild strawberries, and other perennial plants that provide food and cover for game. The rating reflects the suitability of the soil to produce these plants under natural conditions with little or no management.

Wetland food and cover plants are rushes, sedges, smartweed, aneilema, wild millet, and other wild herbaceous plants that grow primarily in wetland areas. The rating reflects the suitability of the soil to produce these plants under natural conditions.

Hardwood trees and shrubs are oak, hickory, autumn olive, pyracantha, dogwood, poplar, multiflora rose, grapes, and other hardwood trees, shrubs, and vines that produce fruit, buds, nuts, and foliage used by wildlife for both food and cover. The rating reflects the suitability of the soil to produce these plants. Management is not considered in the rating, although it may be needed.

Low-growing coniferous woody plants are pines that provide mainly cover for wildlife, although pine seed is

used as food to some extent. The rating reflects the suitability of the soil to produce these plants under natural conditions.

Shallow water development are developed shallow ponds or flooded areas. In most cases, a great deal of management is required to establish or improve this kind of habitat.

Openland wildlife refers to birds and mammals that generally live in or near open areas. Mourning doves, quail, red foxes, cottontail rabbits, woodchuck, and many species of song birds are typical examples of openland wildlife. Openland areas are also very important to woodland wildlife, and this interrelationship should be considered in planning and managing this kind of habitat.

Woodland wildlife refers to deer, bear, marsh rabbits, bobcats, squirrels, and other wildlife that live primarily in wooded areas.

Wetland wildlife refers to muskrats, mink, raccoon, redwing blackbirds, snipe, ducks, and other birds and

TABLE 4.—*Suitability of the soils for elements of*

Soil	Elements of wildlife habitat—			
	Grasses and legumes	Grain and seed crops	Wild herbaceous plants	Wetland food and cover plants
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Barclay very fine sandy loam	Suited	Suited	Well suited	Suited
Bibb sandy loam	Poorly suited	Unsuited	Poorly suited	Well suited
Chewacla loam	Poorly suited	Unsuited	Poorly suited	Suited
Coxville loam	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Craven sandy loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, eroded	Well suited	Suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Dragston loamy sand	Suited	Suited	Well suited	Suited
Exum very fine sandy loam	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Poorly suited
Goldsboro loamy sand	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Poorly suited
Johns sandy loam	Suited	Suited	Well suited	Suited
Johnston loam	Poorly suited	Unsuited	Poorly suited	Well suited
Kalmia loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Kalmia loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Kalmia loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes	Well suited	Suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Kalmia loamy sand, 15 to 25 percent slopes	Suited	Poorly suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Kenansville loamy sand	Well suited	Suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Kinston loam	Poorly suited	Unsuited	Poorly suited	Well suited
Lakeland sand	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Unsuited
Leaf loam	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Leon sand	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Poorly suited
Liddell very fine sandy loam	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Lucy loamy sand	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Lumbee sandy loam	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Lynchburg sandy loam	Suited	Suited	Well suited	Suited
Myatt very fine sandy loam	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Nahunta very fine sandy loam	Suited	Suited	Well suited	Suited
Nixonton very fine sandy loam	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Poorly suited
Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Norfolk loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes	Well suited	Suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Norfolk sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Pamlico muck	Unsuited	Unsuited	Unsuited	Well suited
Pantego loam	Poorly suited	Unsuited	Poorly suited	Well suited
Rains sandy loam	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Rimini sand	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Unsuited
Ruston loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Ruston loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Ruston sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Torhunta loam	Poorly suited	Unsuited	Poorly suited	Well suited
Troup sand	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Poorly suited	Unsuited
Wagram loamy sand, 0 to 6 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Wagram loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes	Well suited	Suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Wagram loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes	Well suited	Suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Weston loamy sand	Suited	Poorly suited	Suited	Well suited
Wickham loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Wickham loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited
Wickham sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded	Well suited	Well suited	Well suited	Unsuited

mammals that live primarily in swamps, in marshes, and near ponds.

In table 4, the suitability of the soils for establishing, maintaining, or improving the elements of wildlife habitat and kinds of wildlife is rated well suited, suited, poorly suited, and unsuited, depending on the degree of limitations of the soil. Soil properties such as surface texture, wetness, available water capacity, permeability, and slope were considered in the ratings.

It should be noted that the ratings provide only general guidelines. A soil rated as suited for grasses and legumes may be unsuited for certain species of each, although most species normally grown in the county can be expected to grow well. Onsite inspection and planning are required for developing a given habitat.

Engineering Uses of the Soils ⁵

Some soil properties are of special interest to engineers because they affect the construction and maintenance of roads, airports, pipelines, building foundations, dwellings, facilities for water storage, earthen dams, erosion-control structures, drainage systems, sewage-disposal systems, recreational facilities, and the suitability of soils for topsoil, road fill, and subgrade. Permeability, compaction characteristics, and shrink-swell potential are among the properties most important to the engineer. Other important features are grain size, plas-

⁵ S. T. CURRIN, professional engineer, and B. H. JONES, civil engineer, Soil Conservation Service, assisted in writing this section.

TABLE 5.—Engineering

[Tests performed by North Carolina State Highway Commission according to standard procedures

Soil name and location	Parent material	Report No.	Depth	Moisture density ¹	
				Maximum dry density	Optimum moisture
Liddell very fine sandy loam: 7 miles east of Goldsboro, 400 feet east of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 13 and Road 1704, 150 feet northwest of U.S. Highway No. 13, in cultivated field.	Coastal plain sediments.	SS9NC-96-3-1	In. 0-7	Lb./cu. ft. 105	Pct. 18
		3-3	11-34	120	10
		3-4	34-62	125	12
Myatt very fine sandy loam: 0.2 mile south of Mt. Olive, 1.1 miles southeast of intersection of Road 1947 and Business Highway 117, 50 feet southwest of Road 1947, in cultivated field.	Coastal plain sediments.	2-1	0-7	106	17
		2-4	15-37	110	16
		2-6	52-62	115	14
Nahunta very fine sandy loam: 1 mile north of Mt. Olive, 264 feet north of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 117 and Business Highway 117, 100 feet east of U.S. Highway No. 117, in cultivated field.	Coastal plain sediments.	1-1	0-8	114	13
		1-3	10-20	119	12
		1-5	30-44	115	15
Nixonton very fine sandy loam: 12 miles east of Goldsboro, 1,000 feet northwest of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 13 and Road 1568, in cultivated field.	Coastal plain sediments.	12-1	0-7	104	14
		12-3	10-25	116	13
		12-5	45-60	114	13
Norfolk loamy sand: 200 feet northwest of New Hope School, 200 feet northeast of Road 1003, in cultivated field.	Coastal plain sediments.	10-1	0-10	119	10
		10-3	12-24	119	13
		10-6	53-78	110	18
Torhunta loam: 1 mile east of Goldsboro, 0.3 mile southwest of intersection of U.S. Highway No. 70 and Road 1710, 100 feet west of Road 1710, in woods.	Coastal plain sediments.	7-2	4-14	108	14
		7-4	18-39	121	11
		7-6	49-62	125	10
Wickham loamy sand: 0.4 mile north of Seven Springs, 350 feet east of intersection of Roads 1737 and 1731, 20 feet north of Road 1737, in cultivated field.	Stream sediments (alluvium).	11-1	0-8	111	11
		11-4	14-28	111	17

¹ Based on AASHTO Designation T 99, Method A. (1).

² Mechanical analyses according to AASHTO Designation T 88. Results by this procedure may differ somewhat from results obtained by the soil survey procedure of the Soil Conservation Service (SCS). In the AASHTO procedure, the fine material is analyzed by the hydrometer method and the various grain-size fractions are calculated on the basis of all the material, including that coarser than 2 millimeters in diameter. In the SCS soil survey procedure, the fine material is analyzed by the pipette method and the material coarser than 2 millimeters

ticity, reaction, drainage, topography, and depth to seasonal high water table.

Estimates are generally to depths of about 5 feet, and therefore interpretations normally do not apply to greater depth. Much of the information in this section is given in tables 5, 6, and 7. The information in these tables can be used to:

1. Make soil and land use studies that will aid in selecting and evaluating areas for developing sewage disposal systems and industrial, business, residential, and recreational sites.
2. Make preliminary estimates of the engineering properties of soils in planning for agricultural drainage systems and irrigation systems.

3. Make preliminary evaluations of soil and ground conditions that will aid in selecting sites for highways and airports and in planning detailed investigations of the sites selected.
4. Locate sources of construction materials.
5. Correlate the performance of engineering structures with soil mapping units to obtain information useful in designing and maintaining the structures.
6. Determine the suitability of the soils for cross-country movement of vehicles and construction equipment.

With the soil map for identification of soil areas, the engineering interpretations reported here can be useful

test data

of the American Association of State Highway Officials (AASHO)]

Mechanical analysis ²							Liquid limit	Plasticity index	Classification	
Percentage passing sieve—			Percentage smaller than—						AASHO ³	Unified ⁴
No. 10 (2.0 mm.)	No. 40 (0.42 mm.)	No. 200 (0.074 mm.)	0.05 mm.	0.02 mm.	0.005 mm.	0.002 mm.				
100	100	66	49	29	12	8	Pct. 19	⁵ NP	A-4(6)	ML
-----	100	68	55	36	19	14	17	1	A-4(7)	ML
-----	100	68	55	35	20	16	17	1	A-4(7)	ML
100	99	74	56	34	17	11	22	2	A-4(8)	ML
100	100	81	69	53	41	33	30	14	A-6(10)	CL
100	100	78	61	40	30	26	26	10	A-4(8)	CL
100	95	59	49	33	16	9	18	1	A-4(5)	ML
100	98	65	55	41	29	23	22	8	A-4(6)	CL
100	98	61	53	42	30	24	26	9	A-4(5)	CL
100	100	80	54	18	9	6	NP	NP	A-4(8)	ML
100	100	85	66	31	20	17	22	2	A-4(8)	ML
100	100	87	65	31	20	17	23	2	A-4(8)	ML
100	91	33	26	16	8	6	NP	NP	A-2-4(0)	SM
100	91	44	41	35	26	23	24	8	A-4(2)	SC
100	89	45	43	40	34	32	40	18	A-6(4)	SC
100	78	38	36	29	16	10	24	1	A-4(1)	SM
99	73	38	37	32	23	18	22	6	A-4(1)	SM-SC
99	68	23	22	20	15	12	16	3	A-2-4(0)	SM
100	90	22	16	11	7	5	NP	NP	A-2-4(0)	SM
100	99	45	42	40	33	20	30	10	A-4(2)	SC

in diameter is excluded from calculations of grain-size fractions. The mechanical analyses used in this table are not suitable for use in naming textural classes for soil.

³ Based on AASHO Designation M 145-49.

⁴ Based on the Unified Soil Classification System.

⁵ Nonplastic.

TABLE 6.—*Estimates of soil*
 [The symbol > means more than;

Soil	Depth to seasonal high water table	Depth from surface in typical profile	Classification		
			Dominant USDA Texture	Unified	AASHO
Aycock: AyA, AyB, AyB2	^{Fl.} >5	^{In.} 0-14 14-68 68-80	Very fine sandy loam Loam to clay loam Very fine sandy loam	ML CL ML, CL	A-4 A-6 A-4, A-6
Barclay: Ba	1.5	0-10 10-65	Very fine sandy loam Very fine sandy loam	ML ML	A-4 A-4
Bibb: Bb	1.0	0-55 55-65	Sandy loam Loamy sand, sand	SM SM	A-2, A-4 A-2
Chewacla: Ch	1.5	0-6 6-50 50-75	Loam Loam Loam and sandy loam	ML CL ML, SM	A-4 A-6 A-4, A-2
Coxville: Co	0	0-9 9-60 60-70	Loam Sandy clay loam to sandy clay Sandy loam	ML CL, SC SC	A-4 A-6, A-7 A-2, A-4
Craven: CrB2, CrC2	2.5	0-6 6-32 32-60	Sandy loam Clay Clay loam	SM CH, CL CL, CH	A-2, A-4 A-7 A-7, A-6
Dragston: Dr	1.5	0-12 12-42 42-75	Loamy sand Sandy loam Sand and loamy sand	SM SM, SC SM, SP	A-2 A-2, A-4 A-2
Exum: Ex	2.5	0-10 10-65 65-70	Very fine sandy loam Clay loam to loam Loam	ML CL, ML CL, ML	A-4 A-6, A-4 A-6, A-4
Goldsboro: Go	2.5	0-12 12-65 65-76	Loamy sand Sandy clay loam Sandy loam to sandy clay loam	SM SC, CL SM, SC	A-2 A-6, A-4 A-2, A-4, A-6
Johns: Jo	² 1.5	0-14 14-40 40-65	Sandy loam Sandy clay loam to sandy loam Sand	SM SC SP, SM, SP-SM	A-2, A-4 A-6, A-4, A-2 A-3, A-2
Johnston: Js	(¹)	0-28 28-45 45-65	Loam Sandy loam Sand	ML SM, SC SM, SP, SP-SM	A-4 A-2, A-6 A-2, A-3
Kalmia: KaA, KaB, KaD, KaE	² <2.5	0-12 12-40 40-72	Loamy sand Sandy clay loam to sandy loam Sand	SM SC, SM SP, SM, SP-SM	A-2 A-2, A-6, A-4 A-3, A-2
Kenansville: Ke	>5	0-26 26-37 37-70	Loamy sand Sandy loam Loamy sand to sand	SM SM SM, SP, SP-SM	A-2 A-2, A-4 A-2, A-3
Kinston: Kn	(¹)	0-12 12-60 60-72	Loam Clay loam Sand to gravelly loamy sand	ML, CL CL, ML SM	A-4, A-6 A-6, A-4 A-2
Lakeland: La	>5	0-100	Sand	SP-SM, SM	A-3
Leaf: Le	(²)	0-9 9-92 92-110	Loam Clay to clay loam Sandy loam	ML, CL CH, CL SM	A-4, A-6 A-7, A-6 A-2, A-4
Leon: Ln	1.5	0-16 16-34 34-70	Sand Sand (cemented) Sand	SP, SP-SM, SM SP, SP-SM, SM SP, SM, SP-SM	A-3, A-2 A-3, A-2 A-3, A-2
Liddell: Ls	0	0-8 8-54 54-65	Very fine sandy loam Very fine sandy loam Loam	ML ML ML	A-4 A-4 A-4

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Percentage less than 3 inches passing sieve—				Permeability	Available water capacity	Reaction	Shrink-swell potential
No. 4 (4.7 mm.)	No. 10 (2.0 mm.)	No. 40 (0.42 mm.)	No. 200 (0.074 mm.)				
100	100	85-100	50-65	In./hr. 2.0-6.3	Inches/inch of soil 0.15-0.17	pH 4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	95-100	60-85	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.0	Low to moderate.
100	95-100	85-100	50-65	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	90-100	60-85	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	90-100	65-90	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	60-70	30-40	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	5.1-6.0	Low.
100	95-100	50-75	0-35	2.0-6.3	0.08-0.10	5.1-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	85-95	60-75	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	85-95	60-75	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	60-95	30-75	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-95	60-75	0.2-0.63	0.15-0.17	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	80-95	45-60	0.2-0.63	0.13-0.15	<4.5-5.0	Moderate.
100	95-100	60-70	30-40	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.5	Moderate.
100	100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.10-0.13	5.1-6.0	Low.
100	100	90-100	75-95	0.06-0.20	0.13-0.15	5.1-5.5	High.
100	95-100	90-100	70-80	0.06-0.20	0.13-0.15	5.1-5.0	High.
100	100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	60-70	15-40	2.0-6.3	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	50-75	0-30	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	<4.5	Low.
100	100	85-100	50-65	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-80	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-95	50-85	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.10-0.12	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	60-90	30-45	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	<4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	60-90	30-50	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	51-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	85-95	60-75	2.0-6.3	0.17-0.19	<4.5-5.0	Moderate.
100	95-100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	51-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.08-0.10	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	60-90	30-50	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	51-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	50-75	15-30	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	51-70	0-30	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-95	60-75	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	90-100	60-85	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
65-100	65-100	50-70	0-30	2.0-6.3	0.08-0.10	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	51-70	5-10	6.3-20.0	<0.05	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-95	60-75	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	<4.5-6.5	Low.
100	100	90-100	70-95	0.06-0.20	0.14-0.16	<4.5-5.0	High.
100	95-100	60-70	30-40	0.63-2.0	0.10-0.12	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	51-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	<0.05	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	51-70	0-15	0.63-2.0	0.06-0.08	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	51-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	<0.05	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-75	2.0-6.3	0.18-0.20	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-75	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-75	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.5	Low.

TABLE 6.—*Estimates of soil*

Soil	Depth to seasonal high water table	Depth from surface in typical profile	Classification		
			Dominant USDA Texture	Unified	AASHO
Lucy: Lu-----	Ft. >5	In. 0-24 24-70	Loamy sand----- Sandy clay loam-----	SM, SP-SM SC, CL	A-2 A-6, A-4
Lumbee: Lv-----	(²)	0-16 16-40 40-65	Sandy loam----- Sandy clay loam----- Loamy coarse sand-----	SM SC, CL SM	A-2, A-4 A-6, A-4 A-2, A-4
Lynchburg: Ly-----	1.5	0-11 11-55 55-72	Sandy loam----- Sandy clay loam----- Sandy loam to sandy clay loam.	SM SC, CL SM, SC	A-2, A-4 A-6, A-4 A-4, A-6, A-2
Myatt: My-----	0	0-11 11-64 64-70	Very fine sandy loam----- Clay loam to loam----- Clay loam-----	ML CL CL	A-4 A-6 A-6, A-4
Nahunta: Na-----	1.5	0-10 10-72	Very fine sandy loam----- Clay loam to loam-----	ML CL	A-4 A-4
Nixonton: Nf-----	2.5	0-10 10-65	Very fine sandy loam----- Silt loam-----	ML ML	A-4 A-4
Norfolk: NoA, NoB, NoC, NrB2-----	>5	0-11 11-75	Loamy sand----- Sandy clay loam-----	SM SC, CL	A-2 A-6, A-4
Pamlico: Pa-----	(¹)	0-40 40-60	Muck----- Loamy sand-----	OH SM	A-7 A-2
Pantego: Po-----	0	0-12 12-54 54-65	Loam----- Sandy clay loam----- Sandy loam-----	ML SC, CL SC, SM	A-4 A-6, A-4 A-2, A-6, A-4
Rains: Ra-----	0	0-13 13-55 55-78	Sandy loam----- Sandy clay loam----- Sandy loam to sandy clay loam.	SM SC, CL SC, SM	A-2, A-4 A-6, A-4 A-6, A-4, A-2
Rimini: Rm-----	2.5	0-54 54-75	Sand----- Sand (weakly cemented)-----	SP, SM SP, SM	A-3, A-2 A-3, A-2
Ruston: RuA, RuB, RyB2-----	>5	0-13 13-72	Loamy sand----- Sandy clay loam-----	SM SC, CL	A-2 A-6, A-4
Torhunta: To-----	(²)	0-9 9-40 40-80	Loam----- Sandy loam----- Sand to loamy sand-----	ML, SM SM, SC, SM-SC SP-SM, SM	A-4 A-2, A-4 A-2, A-3
Troup: Tr-----	>5	0-49 49-110	Sand----- Sandy clay loam to sandy loam.	SP, SP-SM, SM SC, CL, SM	A-3, A-2 A-6, A-4, A-2
Wagram: WaB, WaC, WaD-----	>5	0-28 28-68 68-86	Loamy sand----- Sandy clay loam----- Sandy clay loam to loamy sand.	SM, SP-SM SC, CL SC, SM	A-2 A-6, A-4 A-6, A-4
Weston: We-----	0	0-13 13-55 55-65	Loamy sand----- Sandy loam----- Loamy sand-----	SM SM, SC SM	A-2 A-2, A-4 A-2
Wickham: WhA, WhB, WkB2-----	² >5	0-14 14-50 50-65	Loamy sand----- Clay loam to sandy loam----- Coarse sand to gravelly sand-----	SM SC, CL SP, SM, GM, GC	A-2 A-6, A-4, A-2 A-3, A-2

¹ Flooded at least once every year.

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Percentage less than 3 inches passing sieve—				Permeability	Available water capacity	Reaction	Shrink-swell potential
No. 4 (4.7 mm.)	No. 10 (2.0 mm.)	No. 40 (0.42 mm.)	No. 200 (0.074 mm.)				
100	100	50-75	5-20	<i>In./hr.</i> 6.3-20.0	<i>Inches/inch of soil</i> 0.08-0.10	<i>pH</i> 4.5-6.5	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.12-0.14	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.10-0.12	<4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	<4.5	Low.
100	95-100	50-75	15-40	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	<4.5	Low.
100	100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.10-0.12	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	60-90	30-45	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-85	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-85	0.2-0.63	0.14-0.16	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	90-100	70-85	0.2-0.63	0.14-0.16	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	85-95	50-65	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-80	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	85-100	60-90	2.0-6.3	0.17-0.19	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	90-100	60-90	0.63-2.0	0.16-0.18	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	50-95	15-35	2.0-6.3	0.10-0.12	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	80-95	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	80-100	50-75	0.63-2.0	0.17-0.19	<4.5	High.
100	95-100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.07-0.09	<4.5	Low.
100	100	85-95	60-75	2.0-6.3	0.15-0.17	<4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	60-70	30-40	0.63-2.0	0.10-0.12	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	60-70	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-60	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	60-90	30-45	0.63-2.0	0.11-0.13	<4.5	Low.
100	100	51-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	0.03-0.05	4.5-5.5	Very low.
100	95-100	51-70	0-15	0.63-2.0	0.03-0.05	4.5-5.5	Very low.
100	100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.10-0.12	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	0.63-2.0	0.15-0.17	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	75-95	36-75	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	<4.5-5.5	Low.
100	95-100	60-75	30-40	2.0-6.3	0.13-0.15	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	51-70	5-25	2.0-6.3	0.06-0.08	<4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	60-70	0-15	6.3-20.0	0.03-0.05	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	80-90	30-55	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	50-75	5-20	6.3-20.0	0.07-0.09	4.5-6.0	Low.
100	100	80-90	36-55	2.0-6.3	0.14-0.16	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	50-90	15-45	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	4.5-5.5	Low.
100	100	60-70	30-40	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	4.5-5.0	Low.
100	95-100	50-75	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.08-0.10	<4.5	Low.
100	100	50-90	15-30	2.0-6.3	0.11-0.13	5.1-6.0	Low.
100	100	60-100	30-80	0.63-2.0	0.13-0.15	5.1-6.0	Low.
60-100	55-100	51-70	0-25	6.3-20.0	0.06-0.08	5.1-6.0	Low.

² Flooded once in 5 to 20 years.

TABLE 7.—*Interpretations of*

Soil series and map symbols	Suitability as source of—		Degree of limitation for—	
	Topsoil	Road fill	Dwellings	Septic tank filter fields
Aycock: AyA, AyB, AyB2-----	Good-----	Fair: medium traffic supporting capacity.	Slight to moderate: low to moderate shrink-swell potential.	Moderate: moderate permeability.
Barclay: Ba-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table; medium traffic supporting capacity.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Bibb: Bb-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.
Chewacla: Ch-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; medium traffic supporting capacity.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.
Coxville: Co-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table; moderate shrink-swell potential.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; moderately slow permeability.
Craven: CrB2, CrC2-----	Poor: limited material.	Poor: high shrink-swell potential; low traffic supporting capacity.	Severe: high shrink-swell potential.	Severe: slow permeability.
Dragston: Dr-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Exum: Ex-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.
Goldsboro: Go-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table; medium traffic supporting capacity.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.
Johns: Jo-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.

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Degree of limitation for—Continued			Soil features affecting—		
Campsites	Recreation picnic areas	Intensive play areas	Highway location	Sprinkler irrigation	Agricultural drainage
Slight-----	Slight-----	Slight on slopes of 0 to 2 percent; moderate on slopes of 2 to 6 percent.	Generally favorable features.	Slope; moderately slow infiltration rate on eroded phase.	Well drained.
Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.
Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Very frequent flooding; ponded areas below available outlets; seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Very frequent flooding; moderate permeability; seasonal high water table; poor outlets.
Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; ponded areas below available outlets; very frequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; moderate permeability.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table; moderately shrink-swell potential; plastic material.	Seasonal moderately slow permeability; high water table.	Moderately slow permeability; seasonal high water table.
Moderate: trafficability fair.	Moderate: trafficability fair.	Moderate: slopes 2 to 6 percent; trafficability fair. Severe: slopes 6 to 10 percent.	Unstable cut slopes; high shrink-swell potential; very plastic material.	Moderately slow infiltration rate; slow permeability; slope.	Slow permeability; seasonal high water table.
Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; trafficability poor.	Severe: seasonal high water table; trafficability poor.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; moderately rapid permeability.	Seasonal high water table; moderately rapid permeability; unstable sand below about 42 inches.
Slight-----	Slight-----	Slight-----	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; moderate permeability.
Slight-----	Slight-----	Slight-----	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; moderate permeability.
Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; trafficability poor; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; trafficability poor; infrequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; moderate permeability; unstable sand below about 40 inches.

TABLE 7.—*Interpretations of*

Soil series and map symbols	Suitability as source of—		Degree of limitation for—	
	Topsoil	Road fill	Dwellings	Septic tank filter fields
Johnston: Js.....	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.
Kalmia: KaA, KaB, KaD, KaE.....	Fair: sandy texture; limited quantity of suitable material.	Good.....	Slight: slopes of 0 to 6 percent; severe where subject to flooding. Moderate: slopes of 10 to 15 percent. Severe: slopes of more than 15 percent.	Slight: slopes of 0 to 6 percent; severe where subject to flooding. Moderate: slopes of 10 to 15 percent. Severe: slopes of more than 15 percent.
Kenansville: Ke.....	Poor: sandy texture; very low fertility.	Good.....	Slight.....	Slight.....
Kinston: Kn.....	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.
Lakeland: La.....	Poor: sandy texture; very low fertility.	Good if soil binder is added.	Slight.....	Slight to severe: low filtering action; possible contamination of water supplies.
Leaf: Le.....	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table; high shrink-swell potential; low traffic supporting capacity.	Severe: seasonal high water table; high shrink-swell potential; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; slow permeability; infrequent flooding.
Leon: Ln.....	Poor: sandy texture; very low fertility; seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; low filtering action.
Liddell: Ls.....	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Lucy: Lu.....	Poor: sandy texture; low to very low fertility.	Good to Fair: high to medium traffic supporting capacity.	Slight.....	Slight.....

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Degree of limitation for—Continued			Soil features affecting—		
Camp sites	Recreation picnic areas	Intensive play areas	Highway location	Sprinkler irrigation	Agricultural drainage
Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; trafficability poor.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; trafficability poor.	Seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; ponded areas below outlets; high organic content.	Seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; moderately rapid permeability.	Seasonal high water table; moderately rapid permeability; very frequent flooding; poor availability of outlets.
Slight: slopes of 0 to 6 percent; severe where subject to flooding. Moderate: slopes of 10 to 15 percent. Severe: slopes of more than 15 percent.	Slight: slopes of 0 to 6 percent; severe where subject to flooding. Moderate: slopes of 10 to 15 percent. Severe: slopes of more than 15 percent.	Slight: slopes of 0 to 2 percent; severe where subject to flooding. Moderate: slopes of 2 to 6 percent. Severe: slopes of more than 10 percent.	Infrequent flooding.	Features generally favorable except slope.	Well drained.
Slight-----	Slight-----	Moderate: trafficability fair.	Features generally favorable.	Low available water capacity; moderately rapid permeability.	Well drained.
Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Severe: very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table; ponded areas below outlets.	Very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table.	Very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table; moderate permeability; poor availability of outlets.
Moderate: trafficability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Moderate: trafficability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Severe: trafficability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Difficult to load and haul.	Rapid infiltration rate; very low available water capacity; susceptible to soil blowing; rapid permeability.	Excessively drained.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; very plastic; high shrink-swell potential; infrequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; slow permeability.	Slow permeability; seasonal high water table.
Severe: trafficability poor; seasonal high water table.	Severe: trafficability poor; seasonal high water table.	Severe: trafficability poor; seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; difficult to load and haul.	Rapid infiltration rate; low available water capacity; seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; weakly cemented subsoil; moderate permeability.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.
Moderate: susceptible to soil blowing; trafficability poor.	Moderate: susceptible to soil blowing; trafficability poor.	Severe: susceptible to soil blowing; trafficability poor.	Features generally favorable.	Low available water capacity; susceptible to soil blowing; rapid infiltration rate.	Well drained.

TABLE 7.—*Interpretations of*

Soil series and map symbols	Suitability as source of—		Degree of limitation for—	
	Topsoil	Road fill	Dwellings	Septic tank filter fields
Lumbee: Lv-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.
Lynchburg: Ly-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table; medium traffic supporting capacity.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Myatt: My-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Nahunta: Na-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table; medium traffic-supporting capacity.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Nixonton: Nf-----	Fair: seasonal high water table.	Fair: seasonal high water table; medium traffic-supporting capacity.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.
Norfolk: NoA, NoB, NoC, NrB2-----	Fair: sandy texture; limited quantity of suitable material.	Fair to good: medium to high traffic-supporting capacity.	Slight: slopes 0 to 6 percent. Moderate: slopes 6 to 10 percent.	Slight: slopes 0 to 6 percent. Moderate: slopes 6 to 10 percent.
Pamlico: Pa-----	Poor: seasonal high water table; good as amendment.	Poor: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; high shrink-swell potential.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding; high shrink-swell potential.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.
Pantego: Po-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Rains: Ra-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.

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Degree of limitation for—Continued			Soil features affecting—		
Camp sites	Recreation picnic areas	Intensive play areas	Highway location	Sprinkler irrigation	Agricultural drainage
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; unstable sand below about 40 inches; seasonal high water table; poor availability of outlets.
Severe: seasonal high water table.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table; moderately slow permeability.	Moderately slow permeability; seasonal high water table.
Severe: seasonal high water table.	Moderate: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.
Slight-----	Slight-----	Slight-----	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.
Slight: slopes 0 to 6 percent. Moderate: slopes 6 to 10 percent.	Slight: slopes 0 to 6 percent. Moderate: slopes 6 to 10 percent.	Slight: slopes 0 to 2 percent. Moderate: slopes 2 to 6 percent. Severe: slopes more than 6 percent.	Features generally favorable.	Slopes; moderately slow infiltration rate in eroded areas.	Well drained.
Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table; ponded areas below available outlets; high organic content.	Seasonal high water table; very frequent flooding.	Subject to very frequent flooding; seasonal high water table; moderate permeability; unstable sand below about 40 inches.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table.

TABLE 7—*Interpretations of*

Soil series and map symbols	Suitability as source of—		Degree of limitation for—	
	Topsoil	Road fill	Dwellings	Septic tank filter fields
Rimini: Rm-----	Poor: sandy texture; very low fertility.	Good if soil binder is added.	Slight-----	Slight to severe: low filtering action; possible contamination of water supplies.
Ruston: RuA, RuB, RyB2-----	Fair: sandy texture; limited quantity of suitable material.	Fair to good: medium to high traffic supporting capacity.	Slight-----	Slight-----
Torhunta: To-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.
Troup: Tr-----	Poor: sandy texture; very low fertility.	Good if soil binder is added.	Slight-----	Slight-----
Wagram: WaB, WaC, WaD-----	Poor: sandy texture; low to very low fertility.	Good to fair: high to medium traffic supporting capacity.	Slight: slopes 0 to 6 percent. Moderate: slopes 6 to 15 percent.	Slight: slopes 0 to 6 percent. Moderate: slopes 6 to 15 percent.
Weston: We-----	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Poor: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.	Severe: seasonal high water table.
Wickham: WhA, WhB, WkB2-----	Fair: sandy texture; limited quantity of suitable material.	Fair to good: medium to high traffic supporting capacity.	Slight: severe where subject to floods.	Moderate: moderate permeability; severe where subject to floods.

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Degree of limitation for—Continued			Soil features affecting—		
Campsites	Recreation picnic areas	Intensive play areas	Highway location	Sprinkler irrigation	Agricultural drainage
Severe traffic-ability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Severe: traffic-ability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Severe: traffic-ability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Difficult to load and haul.	Rapid infiltration rate; very low available water capacity; susceptible to soil blowing.	Excessively drained.
Slight.....	Slight.....	Slight: slopes 0 to 2 percent. Moderate: slopes 2 to 6 percent.	Features generally favorable.	Slope: moderately slow infiltration rate on eroded phases.	Well drained.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places; infrequent flooding.	Seasonal high water table; infrequent flooding.	Moderately rapid permeability; seasonal high water table.	Moderately rapid permeability; unstable sand below about 40 inches; seasonal high water table.
Moderate: traffic-ability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Moderate: traffic-ability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Severe: traffic-ability poor; susceptible to soil blowing.	Difficult to load and haul.	Rapid infiltration rate; moderately rapid permeability; very low available water capacity; susceptible to soil blowing.	Well drained.
Moderate: traffic-ability fair; subject to soil blowing.	Moderate: traffic-ability fair; subject to soil blowing.	Moderate: slopes 0 to 6 percent; trafficability fair; subject to soil blowing. Severe: slopes more than 6 percent.	Features generally favorable.	Rapid infiltration rate; low available water capacity; susceptible to soil blowing; slope; moderately rapid permeability.	Well drained.
Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Severe: seasonal high water table; ponding in low places.	Seasonal high water table.	Seasonal high water table.	Moderate permeability; seasonal high water table; unstable sand below about 55 inches.
Slight: severe where subject to floods.	Slight: severe where subject to floods.	Slight: slopes 0 to 2 percent. Moderate: slopes 2 to 6 percent. Severe where subject to floods.	Features generally favorable where not subject to floods.	Slope: moderately slow infiltration rate on eroded phase.	Well drained.

for many purposes. It should be emphasized, however, that these interpretations will not eliminate the need for sampling and testing at the site of specific engineering works. Even in these situations, the soil map is useful for planning more detailed field investigations and for suggesting the kinds of problems that may be expected. Because of the mapping scale used, small areas of other soils are included in the mapping units.

Some of the terms used by the soil scientist are different from terms and classifications used by the engineer. For example, clay, silt, and sand have a different meaning in soil science. These terms are defined in the Glossary.

Engineering classification

The two systems most commonly used in classifying soils for engineering are the systems approved by the American Association of State Highway Officials (AASHO) and the Unified Soil Classification System.

The AASHO system (1) is used to classify soils according to those properties that affect use in highway construction. In this system all soil material is classified in seven principal groups. The groups range from A-1, which consists of soils that have the highest bearing strength and are the highest quality soils for subgrade, to A-7, which consists of soils that have the lowest bearing strength when wet. Within each group, the relative engineering value of the soil material is indicated by a group index number. The numbers range from 0 for the best material to 20 for the poorest. The group index number is shown in parentheses following the soil group system (see table 5).

In the Unified system (10) soils are classified according to their texture and plasticity and their performance as engineering construction material. Soils are grouped in 15 classes. There are eight classes of coarse-grained soils, identified as GW, GP, GM, GC, SW, SP, SM, and SC; six classes of fine-grained soils, identified as ML, CL, OL, MH, CH, and OH; and one class of highly organic soils, identified as Pt. GP and GW are clean gravels, and GM and GC are gravels that include, respectively, an appreciable amount of nonplastic and plastic fines. SP and SW are clean sands. SM and SC are sands that include fines of silt and clay. ML and CL are silts and clays that have a low liquid limit, and MH and CH are silts and clays that have a high liquid limit. Soils on the borderline between two classes are designated by symbols for both classes, for example, ML-CL.

Soil scientists use the USDA textural classification (7). In this, the texture of the soil is determined according to the proportion of soil particles smaller than 2 millimeters in diameter, that is, the proportion of sand, silt, and clay. Textural modifiers, such as gravelly, stony, shaly, and cobbly, are used as needed.

Table 5 shows the AASHO and Unified classification of specified soils in the county as determined by laboratory tests. Table 6 shows the estimated classification of all the soils in the county according to all three systems of classification.

Engineering test data

Samples of 7 soils were tested by the North Carolina State Highway Commission so that the soils could be

evaluated for engineering purposes. For the soil series not tested, classification was estimated from descriptions of soil profiles written by the soil scientists. The test data are given in table 5. The test data indicate the characteristics of the soil at the specified location. The physical characteristics of similar soils at other locations may vary from those of the soil sampled. All samples were obtained at a depth of less than 7 feet.

The engineering classifications in table 5 are based on data obtained by mechanical analyses and by tests made to determine liquid limits and plastic limits. Mechanical analyses were made by combined sieve and hydrometer methods.

The tests to determine plastic limit and liquid limit measure the effect of water on the consistency of the soil material. As the moisture content of a clayey soil increases from a dry state, the material changes from a semisolid to a plastic state. As the moisture content is further increased, the material changes from a plastic to a liquid state. The plastic limit is the moisture content at which the material passes from a semisolid to a plastic state. The liquid limit is the moisture content at which the material passes from a plastic to a liquid state. The plasticity index is the numerical difference between the liquid limit and the plastic limit. The plasticity index indicates the range of moisture content within which soil material is in a plastic condition.

Estimated properties of the soils

Table 6 gives some of the significant characteristics of the soils of the county. It also gives the engineering classification of the principal horizons of typical profiles.

The depth to the seasonal high water table is based on field observations. Depths below 5 feet cannot be estimated satisfactorily. Depth to bedrock is not a significant factor in this county.

The soil material in the main horizons is classified according to USDA textural terms. Except for the soils listed in table 5, for which engineering test data are available, the classifications shown for the Unified and AASHO systems are estimates based on the USDA classification of texture and the descriptions of the soils.

Estimates of the percentage less than 3 inches passing sieve sizes 4, 10, 40, and 200 are shown. Coarse fragments greater than 3 inches were not encountered.

The estimated permeability rates are for soil material in its natural state. They are based on field observations and limited laboratory data.

Available water capacity refers to the water in the soil that is available to plants. It is the amount of water held in the soil between field capacity and the permanent wilting point; that is, between one-third atmosphere and 15 atmospheres of tension. The ratings are based on laboratory tests of a limited number of soils. For soils not tested, estimates are based on ratings for similar soils.

Reaction, or the degree of acidity or alkalinity, is given in terms of pH values.

Shrink-swell potential indicates the expected change in volume when the moisture content changes. It is estimated primarily on the basis of the amount and type of clay in a soil. In general, soils classified as CH and A-7 have a high shrink-swell potential. Sandy soils have a low or very low shrink-swell potential.

Engineering interpretations

Erosion-control practices are needed on sloping, cultivated soils. Terraces are suitable on most soils in the county on slopes up to 6 percent. Exceptions are soils that have a thick surface layer of loamy sand and sand.

Adequate outlets need to be constructed for safe disposal of surface runoff from terraces, diversions, and other drainageways. Vegetation is needed in these waterways.

Table 7 gives interpretations of the properties that will affect suitability of the soils for other uses.

Topsoil.—Soil factors considered in making suitability ratings for topsoil included fertility, texture, organic-matter content, depth to seasonal high water table, and thickness of suitable materials. Topsoil refers to soil material used to grow vegetation.

Road fill.—Soil factors considered in rating the suitability of soils for road fill are shrink-swell potential, traffic-supporting capacity, accessibility of deposits, and depth to seasonal high water table. The ratings indicate the performance of soil material removed from borrow areas for the purpose of constructing subgrade for road fills.

Ratings as a source of sand and gravel are not given, because the sand, except in a few places, contains appreciable quantities of silt and clay which restrict its use for commercial purposes. Gravel deposits are few; they occur along stream terraces.

Slight limitations mean the soils have few or no properties unfavorable for a particular use or that the problems are so minor they can be overcome easily. Moderate limitations mean the soils have one or more properties unfavorable for a particular use or that the problems can be overcome with correct planning, careful design, and good management. Severe limitations mean the soils have one or more properties very unfavorable for a particular use, or the problems present are difficult and costly to overcome and major reclamation work is generally required.

Dwellings.—Soil factors considered in rating sites for dwellings are flood hazard, seasonal high water table, shrink-swell potential, and degree of slope.

Septic tank absorption fields.—Some factors considered important in rating soils for septic tank absorption fields are local experience and records of existing filter fields, slope, flooding, seasonal high water table, and permeability of the subsoil and substratum. Criteria and standards used for rating soils are based on the limitations of the soil to absorb effluent.

Recreation.—Rating soils for camp sites, picnic areas and intensive play areas was based primarily on soil slope, trafficability, seasonal high water table, and flood hazard. Trafficability is defined as the ease with which people can move about on foot, horseback, or in a small vehicle, such as a golf cart. The slope is not considered in evaluating the soils for trafficability because trafficways can be placed on the contour.

Highway location.—Soil features affecting highway location are flooding, depth to seasonal high water table, stability of cut-slopes, topography, shrink-swell potential, and plasticity of the material. It is assumed that the profile is undisturbed except in places where the surface

layer has a high content of organic matter. In these places, the surface layer is removed because soils high in organic-matter content make a poor road base.

Sprinkler irrigation.—Features that affect the suitability of soils for sprinkler irrigation are available water capacity, depth to seasonal high water table, flood hazard, infiltration, permeability, and slope.

Agricultural drainage.—Features that affect agricultural drainage are permeability, depth to seasonal high water table, topography, flood hazard, and availability of outlets.

Formation and Classification of the Soils

The factors that have affected the formation and composition of soils in Wayne County are described in this section, and the soils are classified according to the current system.

Factors of Soil Formation

Soil is the product of the combined effects of parent material, climate, plant and animal life, relief, and time. The characteristics of a soil at any place depend upon the combination of these factors at that place. All of these factors affect the formation of every soil, but in many places one or two of the factors dominate and determine most of the properties of a particular soil.

Parent material

Parent material has caused important differences in the soils of Wayne County. The parent materials are unconsolidated rock material, sand, silt, and clay that make up the sediments of the Coastal Plain uplands and alluvial material washed from the uplands and deposited in drainageways, on flood plains, or on terraces. These materials are closely related and in some places have been moved by wind or gravity.

The parent materials in the county differ in mineral and chemical composition and in physical makeup. Major differences, such as texture, can be observed in the field. Other differences, such as mineral composition, can be determined only by laboratory examination.

Many of the differences between the soils of Wayne County reflect the varying geologic materials from which the soils were formed. The Aycok, Exum, and Nahunta soils, for example, were formed in sediments having a high percentage of silt and very fine sand. Lakeland soils formed in sediments, consisting almost entirely of sand, and Craven soils formed in sediments having a high percentage of clay.

The particular location of a parent material also can affect the formation of soils. Bibb, Chewacla, Johnston, and Pamlico soils on flood plains formed in alluvial deposits of sand, silt, and clay. Wickham and Lumbee soils formed in similar alluvium deposited on terraces. Pamlico and Johnston soils in undrained areas formed partly in alluvial deposits and partly in decayed plant material.

Climate

The climate of Wayne County is warm and humid. Summers are long and hot, and winters are short and mild. The climate is fairly even throughout the county and has caused few differences among the soils.

The mild, humid climate favors rapid decomposition of organic matter and hastens chemical reaction in the soil. The abundant rainfall leaches out large amounts of soluble bases and carries the less soluble finer particles downward. As a result, all the soils in the county are acid in reaction and strongly leached.

Plant and animal life

The plants and animals that live on and in the soil influence soil development and many soil characteristics. They determine the kinds of organic matter and the way in which it is incorporated with the soil. They transfer nutrient elements from one horizon to another and, in many places, transport soil material from one horizon to another. Plants and animals also affect the gains and losses of organic matter, gains and losses of nitrogen and other plant nutrients, soil structure, porosity, and certain other soil characteristics.

Pine forests originally covered most of the upland in Wayne County. Cypress, gum, and hardwoods were dominant in the very wet areas and swamp. As fallen leaves, twigs, roots, and whole plants decay, plant nutrients and organic acids are released to percolate down through the soil. Roots take up some of the nutrients. Organic acids slowly dissolve soluble soil materials and increase the rate of leaching of inorganic material. The effect of these organic acids on soil formation is conditioned by climate, which modifies the rate of chemical reaction and of leaching and to a large degree determines the kinds of plants and animals that can live in and on the soil.

Organic matter decays more rapidly on the well-drained soils, such as Norfolk, Ruston, and Aycock soils, and very little accumulates in the surface layer. Decay is slower on wet soils, such as Pamlico, Pantego, and Johnston soils, because oxidation of organic matter is retarded by excess moisture. Therefore, the organic-matter content in the surface layer of wet soils is much higher than in well-drained soils.

Relief

Relief is largely determined by dissection of the landscape by rivers and streams and through slope retreat. It influences soil formation through its effect on drainage, erosion, temperature, and plant cover. The influence of topography is modified by the other factors of soil formation.

In Wayne County slopes range from 0 to about 25 percent. Ruston, Aycock, Norfolk, and other upland soils on smoother slopes have a deep solum. On the more sloping upland areas that break sharply to the draws, geological erosion is more rapid, and as a result some of the soils, such as Kalmia and Craven soils, have a thin solum.

Relief largely determines the natural drainage of a soil. For example, the very poorly drained Johnston soils are nearly level soils of the flood plain.

Time

The length of time the other factors of soil formation have acted on the soil material has determined some of the differences in the soils of Wayne County. The soils vary considerably in age. The smooth, nearly level parts of the upland are relatively stable. Norfolk, Goldsboro, Aycock, and other soils on these parts of the upland have well-defined horizons. Bibb, Johnston, Chewacla, and other soils that formed in recent alluvium have not been in place long enough for well-defined horizons to develop.

Classification of the Soils

Classification consists of an orderly grouping of soils according to a system designed so that soil characteristics and interrelationships are more easily remembered. Classification is useful in organizing and applying the results of experience and research. Soils are placed in narrow classes for discussion in detailed soil surveys and for application of knowledge within farms and fields. The many thousands of narrow classes are then grouped into progressively fewer and broader classes in successively higher categories, so that information can be applied to large geographic areas.

Two systems of classifying soils have been used in the United States in recent years. The older system was adopted in 1938 (2) and revised later (6). The system currently used by the National Cooperative Soil Survey was developed in the early sixties (5) and was adopted in 1965 (8). It is under continual study.

The current system of classification has six categories. Beginning with the most inclusive, these categories are the order, the suborder, the great group, the subgroup, the family, and the series. The criteria for classification are soil properties that are observable or measurable, but the properties are selected so that soils of similar genesis are grouped together. The placement of some soil series in the current system of classification, particularly in families, can change as more precise information becomes available.

Table 8 shows the classification of each soil series of the County by family, subgroup, and order, according to the current system.

General Nature of the County

This section gives general facts about Wayne County. It briefly discusses physiography, relief, drainage, water supply, climate, settlement and development, transportation, and industry.

Physiography, Relief, and Drainage

Wayne County is in the Coastal Plain physiographic province. Except in five small areas of bedrock, the soils are underlain by unconsolidated layers of sand, silt, and clay. Interstream areas are broad and flat but are rounded near the drainageways.

The county slopes very gently eastward. Relief is pronounced only near stream valleys. The terrain along the Neuse River varies from flat areas near Goldsboro that are susceptible to flooding, to elevated areas at Cliffs of the

TABLE 8.—*Soil series classified according to the current system*

Series	Family	Subgroup	Order
Aycock	Fine-silty, siliceous, thermic	Typic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Barclay ¹	Coarse-silty, mixed, thermic	Aquic Dystrachrepts	Inceptisols.
Bibb	Coarse-loamy, siliceous, acid, thermic	Typic Fluvaquents	Entisols.
Chewacla	Fine-loamy, mixed, thermic	Fluraquentic Dystrachrepts	Inceptisols.
Coxville	Clayey, kaolinitic, thermic	Typic Paleaquults	Ultisols.
Craven	Clayey, mixed, thermic	Aquic Hapludults	Ultisols.
Dragston	Coarse-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Aquic Hapludults	Ultisols.
Exum	Fine-silty, siliceous, thermic	Aquic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Goldsboro	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Aquic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Johns	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Aquic Hapludults	Ultisols.
Johnston	Coarse-loamy, siliceous, acid, thermic	Cumulic Humaquepts	Inceptisols.
Kalmia	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Hapludults	Ultisols.
Kenansville	Loamy, siliceous, thermic	Arenic Hapludults	Ultisols.
Kinston	Fine-loamy, siliceous, nonacid, thermic	Typic Fluvaquents	Entisols.
Lakeland	Siliceous, thermic, coated	Typic Quartzipsamments	Entisols.
Leaf	Clayey, mixed, thermic	Typic Albaquults	Ultisols.
Leon	Sandy, siliceous, thermic	Aeric Haplaquods	Spodosols.
Liddell	Coarse-silty, siliceous, acid, thermic	Typic Haplaquents	Inceptisols.
Lucy	Loamy, siliceous, thermic	Arenic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Lumbee	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Ochraqults	Ultisols.
Lynchburg	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Aeric Paleaquults	Ultisols.
Myatt	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Ochraqults	Ultisols.
Nahunta	Fine-silty, siliceous, thermic	Aeric Paleaquults	Ultisols.
Nixonton ²	Coarse-silty, mixed, thermic	Typic Dystrachrepts	Inceptisols.
Norfolk	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Pamlico	Sandy, siliceous, dysic, thermic	Terric Medisaprists	Histosols.
Pantego	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Umbric Paleaquults	Ultisols.
Rains	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Paleaquults	Ultisols.
Rimini	Sandy, siliceous, thermic	Entic Haplohumods	Spodosols.
Ruston	Fine-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Torhunta	Coarse-loamy, siliceous, acid, thermic	Typic Humaquepts	Inceptisols.
Troup	Loamy, siliceous, thermic	Grossarenic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Wagram	Loamy, siliceous, thermic	Arenic Paleudults	Ultisols.
Weston	Coarse-loamy, siliceous, thermic	Typic Ochraqults	Ultisols.
Wickham	Fine-loamy, mixed, thermic	Typic Hapludults	Ultisols.

¹ Barclay soils in this county are taxadjuncts to the Barclay series because they have a siliceous mineralogy.

² Nixonton soils in this county are taxadjuncts to the Nixonton series because they have a siliceous mineralogy.

Neuse that are as much as 100 feet above the level of the river.

The Neuse River divides the county very irregularly and drains about 90 percent of the county. Drainageways of the Cape Fear River drain the rest. Runoff is slow on the smooth, broad, nearly level divides and on the heavily vegetated, nearly level flood plains.

Water Supply

Municipal and domestic water is obtained from wells. Goldsboro's supply, however, is from the Little River. Nearly all wells are in Coastal Plain sediments. Basement rock, chiefly slate, underlies the sediments and is infrequently tapped as a source of water supply.

Ground water is plentiful throughout the county and is near the surface in most areas (3). It is easily tapped for household and farm uses. Many farms have excavated ponds less than 15 feet deep that supply water for livestock, irrigation, and recreation.

Climate⁶

The climate of Wayne County is influenced mainly by latitude, elevation, and distance from the ocean. Most

⁶ By A. V. HARDY, climatologist for North Carolina, National Weather Service, U.S. Department of Commerce.

of the county is nearly level, and data from Goldsboro are representative of the climate throughout the county.

Table 9 gives facts about temperature and precipitation in Wayne County. The data were obtained from the Goldsboro area or were estimated.

The average length of the freeze-free growing season is about 225 days, lasting from late in March until early in November (see table 10). In nearly 75 years of record, the lowest temperature recorded at Goldsboro was 0° F. The highest temperature of record is 108° F. The temperature reaches 100° at least once in about half the summers, and 90° or higher on more than half the days of the typical summer season.

During the growing season rain falls mainly during thunderstorms and is therefore likely to vary widely from year to year, season to season, month to month, and place to place over the county. Some areas are without measureable rain for periods of 5 to 20 days and require irrigation for crops. Frequently in autumn and occasionally in summer, rainfall is increased by the passage of a tropical storm along the coast or inland.

Rainfall in winter usually results from low-pressure storm fronts, and is less variable than in summer. Several days may pass without significant rain, but this is less important in winter because of slower evaporation and transpiration.

TABLE 9.—*Temperature and precipitation data*
[All data from Goldsboro]

Month	Temperature				Precipitation				Estimated average temperature of bare, level soil at depth of 4 inches.	
	Average daily Maximum	Average daily Minimum	2 years in 10 will have at least four days with—		Average total	1 year in 10 will have—		Number of days with snow cover of 1 inch or more		Average depth of snow on days with snow cover
			Maximum temperature equal to or higher than—	Minimum temperature equal to or lower than—		Less than—	More than—			
	°F.	°F.	°F.	°F.	Inches	Inches	Inches		Inches	°F.
January	56	34	73	15	3.3	1.5	6.2	1	1	45
February	58	34	75	18	3.4	1.1	5.3	1	1	46
March	65	40	84	23	3.9	2.1	6.3	(¹)	2	53
April	76	49	89	33	3.8	1.9	6.1	0	-----	63
May	84	58	95	43	3.9	1.2	6.0	0	-----	73
June	90	66	98	55	4.8	1.9	8.2	0	-----	80
July	92	69	98	61	7.5	2.8	12.7	0	-----	81
August	90	68	98	59	5.6	2.6	9.5	0	-----	80
September	86	63	96	48	4.4	1.3	7.3	0	-----	75
October	76	51	89	35	2.9	0.4	5.5	0	-----	67
November	66	40	80	25	3.1	0.9	7.0	0	-----	55
December	56	33	73	15	3.2	1.3	5.4	(¹)	1	46
Year	74	50	² 100	³ 12	49.8	42.0	55.6	3	1	64

¹ Less than one-half day.

² Average annual maximum.

³ Average annual minimum.

TABLE 10.—*Probabilities of last freezing temperatures in spring and first in fall*

[All data from Goldsboro]

Probability	Dates for given probability at temperatures of—				
	16° F or lower	20° F or lower	24° F or lower	28° F or lower	32° F or lower
Spring:					
1 year in 10 later than	March 1	March 10	March 24	April 7	April 16
2 years in 10 later than	February 15	February 28	March 14	March 30	April 9
5 years in 10 later than	January 27	February 16	February 28	March 17	March 28
Fall:					
1 year in 10 earlier than	December 8	November 20	November 9	October 28	October 17
2 years in 10 earlier than	December 14	November 27	November 15	November 4	October 24
5 years in 10 earlier than	December 24	December 10	November 25	November 14	November 2

Snow or sleet falls almost every winter, but accumulations are usually small and melt in a few hours. A blanket of snow lasting several days is extremely rare. About once in 10 years as much as 10 inches may accumulate, but the snow rarely remains on the ground for more than a week.

The sun shines on the average more than half the daylight hours in winter and nearly two-thirds in other seasons. The average relative humidity is about 85 percent at sunrise, and declines to about 50 percent at mid-afternoon.

Tropical storms rarely retain destructive force when they move inland as far as Wayne County. Highest winds more often result from summer thunderstorms, and such winds are local and of brief duration. The di-

rection of surface winds varies at all seasons, but the prevailing direction is from the southwest. Northeasterly winds occur in autumn. The average surface wind speed is about 8 miles per hour.

Settlement and Development

Wayne County was established in 1779. It was called Wayne County in honor of General Anthony Wayne, a distinguished officer in the Continental Army. In the late 1700's the principal business of the county was raising hogs and cattle. Corn, cotton, and tobacco were the main cultivated crops, and the turpentine industry was just getting its start.

The town of Waynesboro, situated on the banks of the Neuse River, was incorporated as the county seat in 1787. In 1839, the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad established a line through the middle of the county. Goldsboro became the transportation center and was made the county seat in 1848.

By 1850, the cultivation of cotton had become widespread and turpentine stills were common. The numbers of cotton gins, sawmills, and gristmills increased slowly.

Free schools were established, and illiteracy was reduced considerably. Led by Charles B. Aycock, Wayne County was one of the first to establish a public school system.

In 1856, the North Carolina Railroad was constructed from Goldsboro to Charlotte via Greensboro, making Wayne County a railroad center for the eastern part of North Carolina. This was particularly important because the Neuse River, regarded by early settlers as a potential waterway, was unsuitable for transportation.

In the 1870's, tobacco and truck farming began to compete with corn and cotton. Tobacco markets were soon established, as were textile and other small industries.

The population of Wayne County was 64,267 in 1950 and 82,059 in 1960. The U.S. Air Force reactivated Seymour Johnson Field in 1955. This, coupled with industrial growth, accounts for the large increase in population between 1950 and 1960.

Transportation and Industry

The county has railroad service, airport facilities, and highways. There are about 90 diversified manufacturing plants in Wayne County. Thirty-two produce food products, 14 produce lumber, wood, and furniture products, and 12 are metal-working firms. Tobacco stemming and redrying is an important industry during the tobacco season. Other industries include electrical equipment manufacturers, textile mills, apparel plants, chemical firms, building product firms, and a leather and chamois plant.

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Glossary

- Available water capacity** (also termed available moisture capacity). The capacity of soils to hold water available for use by most plants. It is commonly defined as the difference between the amount of soil water at field capacity and the amount at wilting point. It is commonly expressed as inches of water per inch of soil.
- Clay.** As a soil separate, the mineral soil particles less than 0.002 millimeter in diameter. As a soil textural class, soil material that is 40 percent or more clay, less than 45 percent sand, and less than 40 percent silt.
- Consistence, soil.** The feel of the soil and the ease with which a lump can be crushed by the fingers. Terms commonly used to describe consistence are—
- Loose.*—Noncoherent when dry or moist; does not hold together in a mass.
- Friable.*—When moist, crushes easily under gentle pressure between thumb and forefinger and can be pressed together into a lump.
- Firm.*—When moist, crushes under moderate pressure between thumb and forefinger, but resistance is distinctly noticeable.
- Plastic.*—When wet, readily deformed by moderate pressure but can be pressed into a lump; will form a "wire" when rolled between thumb and forefinger.
- Sticky.*—When wet, adheres to other material, and tends to stretch somewhat and pull apart, rather than to pull free from other material.
- Hard.*—When dry, moderately resistant to pressure; can be broken with difficulty between thumb and forefinger.
- Soft.*—When dry, breaks into powder or individual grains under very slight pressure.
- Cemented.*—Hard and brittle; little affected by moistening.
- Drainage class (natural).** Refers to the conditions of frequency and duration of periods of saturation or partial saturation that existed during the development of the soil, as opposed to altered drainage, which is commonly the result of artificial drainage or irrigation but may be caused by the sudden deepening of channels or the blocking of drainage outlets. Seven different classes of natural soil drainage are recognized.
- Excessively drained* soils are commonly very porous and rapidly permeable and have a low water-holding capacity.
- Somewhat excessively drained* soils are also very permeable and are free from mottling throughout their profile.
- Well-drained* soils are nearly free from mottling and are commonly of intermediate texture.
- Moderately well drained* soils commonly have a slowly permeable layer in or immediately beneath the solum. They have uniform color in the A and upper B horizons and have mottling in the lower B and the C horizons.
- Somewhat poorly drained* soils are wet for significant periods but not all the time, and in Podzolic soils commonly have mottlings below 6 to 16 inches, in the lower A horizon, and in the B and C horizons.
- Poorly drained* soils are wet for long periods and are light gray and generally mottled from the surface downward, although mottling may be absent or nearly so in some soils.
- Very poorly drained* soils are wet nearly all the time. They have a dark-gray or black surface layer and are gray or light gray, with or without mottling, in the deeper parts of the profile.
- Flood plain.** Nearly level land, consisting of stream sediments, that borders a stream and is subject to flooding unless protected artificially.

GUIDE TO MAPPING UNITS

For a full description of a mapping unit, read both the description of the mapping unit and that of the soil series to which the mapping unit belongs. In referring to a capability unit or a woodland group, read the introduction to the section it is in for general information about its management. Other information is given in tables as follows:

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 Engineering uses of the soils, tables 5, 6, and 7, pages 52 through 65.

Map symbol	Mapping unit	Described on page	Capability unit		Woodland group
			Symbol	Page	Symbol
AyA	Aycock very fine sandy loam, 0 to 2 percent slopes-----	6	I-1	38	2o1
AyB	Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes-----	6	IIe-1	38	2o1
AyB2	Aycock very fine sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded-----	6	IIe-1	38	2o1
Ba	Barclay very fine sandy loam-----	7	IIw-2	38	2w8
Bb	Bibb sandy loam-----	7	IVw-4	41	2w9
Ch	Chewacla loam-----	8	IIIw-5	40	1w8
Co	Coxville loam-----	9	IIIw-2	40	2w9
CrB2	Craven sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded-----	9	IIe-3	38	3w2
CrC2	Craven sandy loam, 6 to 10 percent slopes, eroded-----	10	IIIe-2	39	3w2
Dr	Dragston loamy sand-----	10	IIw-2	38	2w8
Ex	Exum very fine sandy loam-----	11	IIw-1	38	2w8
Go	Goldsboro loamy sand-----	12	IIw-1	38	2w8
Jo	Johns sandy loam-----	13	IIw-2	38	2w2
Js	Johnston loam-----	13	IVw-4	41	1w9
KaA	Kalmia loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes-----	14	I-1	38	2o7
KaB	Kalmia loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes-----	15	IIe-1	38	2o7
KaD	Kalmia loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes-----	15	IVe-1	41	2o7
KaE	Kalmia loamy sand, 15 to 25 percent slopes-----	15	VIe-1	42	2o7
Ke	Kenansville loamy sand-----	16	IIs-1	39	3s2
Kn	Kinston loam-----	16	IVw-4	41	1w9
La	Lakeland sand-----	17	IVs-1	41	4s2
Le	Leaf loam-----	18	IVw-2	41	2w9
Ln	Leon sand-----	18	Vw-1	42	4w2
Ls	Liddell very fine sandy loam-----	19	IIIw-3	40	2w9
Lu	Lucy loamy sand-----	20	IIs-1	39	3s2
Lv	Lumbee sandy loam-----	20	IVw-4	41	2w9
Ly	Lynchburg sandy loam-----	21	IIw-2	38	2w8
My	Myatt very fine sandy loam-----	22	IIIw-3	40	2w9
Na	Nahunta very fine sandy loam-----	23	IIw-2	38	2w8
Nf	Nixonton very fine sandy loam-----	24	IIw-1	38	2o7
NoA	Norfolk loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes-----	25	I-1	38	2o1
NoB	Norfolk loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes-----	26	IIe-1	38	2o1
NoC	Norfolk loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes-----	26	IIIe-1	39	2o1
NrB2	Norfolk sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded-----	27	IIe-1	38	2o1
Pa	Pamlico muck-----	27	Vw-1	42	4w3
Po	Pantego loam-----	28	IIIw-3	40	1w9
Ra	Rains sandy loam-----	29	IIIw-3	40	2w3
Rm	Rimini sand-----	29	IVs-1	41	5s3
RuA	Ruston loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes-----	30	I-1	38	2o1
RuB	Ruston loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes-----	30	IIe-1	38	2o1
RyB2	Ruston sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded-----	30	IIe-1	38	2o1
To	Torhunta loam-----	31	IIIw-3	40	2w9
Tr	Troup sand-----	32	IIIs-1	40	3s2
WaB	Wagram loamy sand, 0 to 6 percent slopes-----	33	IIs-1	39	3s2
WaC	Wagram loamy sand, 6 to 10 percent slopes-----	33	IIIe-3	39	3s2
WaD	Wagram loamy sand, 10 to 15 percent slopes-----	33	IVe-2	41	3s2
We	Weston loamy sand-----	34	IIIw-3	40	2w9
WhA	Wickham loamy sand, 0 to 2 percent slopes-----	35	I-1	38	2o7
WhB	Wickham loamy sand, 2 to 6 percent slopes-----	35	IIe-1	38	2o7
WkB2	Wickham sandy loam, 2 to 6 percent slopes, eroded-----	35	IIe-1	38	2o7

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