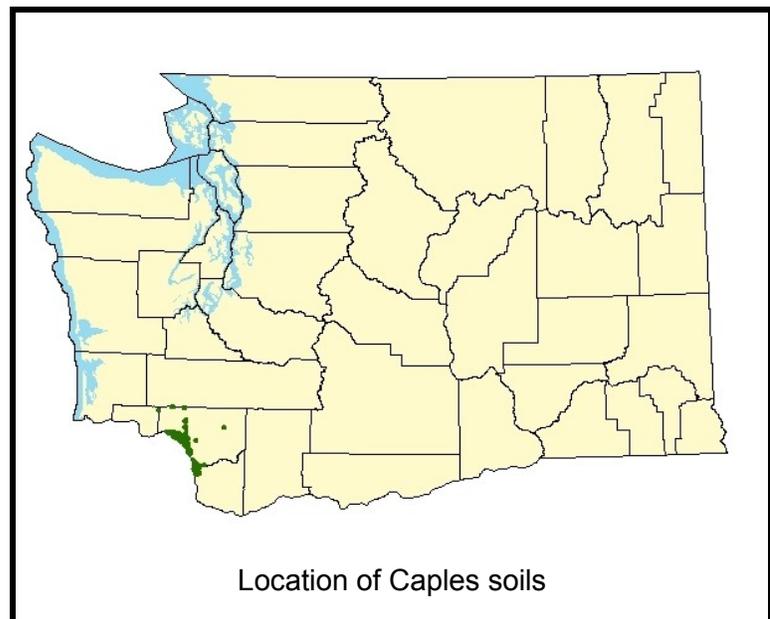
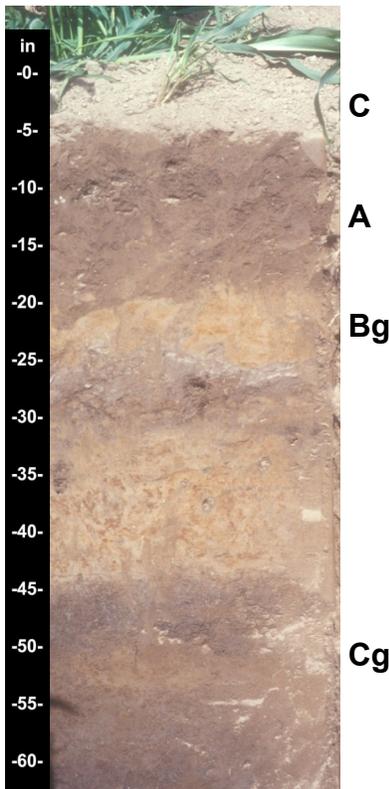


CAPLES SERIES



Caples Soils are in the foreground



CAPLES SERIES

Land Resource Region A

Parent material: Alluvium

Extent: Small extent

Climate: Average annual precipitation is about 45 inches, and average annual soil temperature is about 52 degrees F. The climate is characterized by warm, dry summers and cool, moist winters.

Depth: 60 inches or more

Drainage: Somewhat poorly drained

Average frost-free period: 165 to 195 days

Elevation: 0 to 40 feet

Soil order: Inceptisols - Young soils with weakly expressed soil development

Family classification: Fine, mixed, superactive, nonacid, mesic Fluvaquentic Endoaquepts

Caples soils are on floodplains and low terraces in Cowlitz County, Washington.

Uses: When drained, it is used for crop production,

Cultivated areas are used to produce row crops, small grain, hay, pasture, bulbs, strawberries, and cane fruit. Natural vegetation is western redcedar, red alder, black cottonwood, and bigleaf maple. Understory vegetation is vine maple and willow.

Management considerations: Caples soils are on flat areas and have restricted infiltration and water ponds on the surface at times. A seasonal water table occurs at 18 to 30 inches below the surface from November to April and should be considered when managing these soils.

The official soil series description is online at:

https://soilseries.sc.egov.usda.gov/OSD_Docs/C/CAPLES.html