

**Table 1 Wind Erodibility Groups and Wind Erodibility Index**

Soil Texture	Predominant soil texture class of surface layer	Wind Erodibility Group (WEG)	Wind Erodibility Index (I)
Coarse	Very fine sand, fine sand, sand, or coarse sand	1	310 250 220 180 160
Coarse	Loamy very fine sand, loamy fine sand, loamy sand, loamy coarse sand, sapric organic soil materials, and all horizons that meet andic soil properties as per Criteria 2 in Soil Taxonomy, regardless of the fine earth texture	2	134
Coarse	Very fine sandy loam, fine sandy loam, sandy loam, coarse sandy loam, and non-calcareous silt loam with 35 to 50% very fine sand and <10% clay	3	86
Fine	Clay, silty clay, non-calcareous clay loam, or silty clay loam with more than 35% clay	4	86
Medium	Calcareous loam and silt loam or calcareous clay loam and silty clay loam	4L	86
Medium	Non-calcareous loam and silt loam with more than 20% clay (but does not meet WEG 3 criteria), or sandy clay loam, sandy clay, and hemic organic soil materials	5	56
Medium	Non-calcareous loam and silt loam with more than 20% clay, or non-calcareous clay loam with less than 35% clay or silty clay loam with less than 35% clay	6	48
Medium	Silt and fibric organic material	7	38
-----	Soils not susceptible to wind erosion because of surface rock and pararock fragments or wetness	8	---

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