

# Web Soil Survey

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# ¿Qué es el Web Soil Survey?

- El Web Soil Survey (WSS) provee la **información oficial de suelos más actualizada** producida por la **Cooperativa Nacional de Catastros de Suelos (NCSS)**.
- La información de los catastros de suelos se puede obtener a través de:
  - Mapas, descripciones y tablas que corresponden a los suelos identificados en estos mapas.
- El sitio se actualiza y se mantiene en línea como la **única fuente autorizada de información sobre los catastros de suelos**.

# ¿Cómo puedo entrar al Web Soil Survey?

- Se puede entrar a través de las siguientes páginas en línea:

<http://soils.usda.gov/>

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## Welcome to the NRCS Caribbean Area: Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands Web Site.



### National Leadership Review for the Caribbean Area

An NRCS National Leadership Review Team, led by USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Natural Resources Conservation Service, Districts CEO Krysta Harden, local NRCS staff, and a local partner organization, is conducting a local leadership assessment project to evaluate the effectiveness of local leadership and to identify areas for improvement.

[...More Info](#)



### Signup Announced for 2008 Conservation Stewardship Program

Applications for the 2008 Conservation Stewardship Program are now being accepted. The program provides financial incentives to landowners who agree to manage their land in a way that conserves natural resources.

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### V.I. RC&D Selected for 2008 U.S. EPA Environmental Quality Award!

The Virgin Islands Resource Conservation & Development Council, Inc. (V.I. RC&D) has been selected to receive a 2008 U.S. EPA Environmental Quality Award! The Council's award is in the category of Non-Profit Organization, Environmental or Community Group.

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### New San Germán Soil Survey Now Available

The NRCS Caribbean Area is pleased to announce that the **Soil Survey of the San Germán Area, Southwestern Puerto Rico**, is now available. The new San Germán Soil Survey replaces the Soil Survey of the Lajas Valley Area issued in April 1965, which should no longer be used.

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### Puerto Rico Field Office Closures: Ponce, Loiza & Humacao

The Natural Resources Conservation Service informs the public of office closures in Ponce, Loiza and Humacao counties. The Ponce office closure was effective on February 29, 2008; the Loiza & Humacao office closures were effective September 30, 2007.

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For additional information, please contact: [José A. Castro](#)

For comments about the website, please contact: [Julie Wright](#)

The Natural Resources Conservation Service provides leadership in a partnership effort to help people conserve, maintain, and improve our natural resources.

En la página electrónica del NRCS en el Área del Caribe, ([www.pr.nrcs.usda.gov](http://www.pr.nrcs.usda.gov)), selecciona el enlace "Soils" (Suelos).

#### Information About:

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- ▶ Policy Makers
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- ▶ Volunteers

#### Web Soil Survey



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Caribbean Area

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## Caribbean Area Soils

Updated July 07, 2008

The Caribbean Area, comprised of Puerto Rico and the United States Virgin Islands, is part of the National Cooperative Soil Survey (NCSS) program. The National Cooperative Soil Survey (NCSS) is a nationwide partnership of federal, regional, state, and local agencies and institutions. This partnership works together to cooperatively investigate, inventory, document, classify, and interpret soils and to disseminate, publish, and promote the use of information about the soils of the United States and its trust territories. The activities of the NCSS are carried out on national, regional, and state levels.

**Web Soil Survey** is now better than ever! Originally launched in August 2005, the improved and enhanced version 2.0 is now available online. The new version includes new features and enhancements designed to make the program more responsive to its growing customer base. Some new features include: dynamic map layers, a topographic map layer, and the ability to create custom soil resource reports.

**New Mapping Tool Makes Things Easy**

USDA-NRCS introduces **MLRA Explorer** — A new web-based mapping tool that allows users to search by Major Land Resource Areas (MLRA) and Land Resource Areas (LLR) using a variety of geographic and attribute queries. The tool provides maps with narrative descriptions and photos. It also provides the user with the ability to print and/or export specific subsets of the USDA Agriculture Handbook 296.

## Caribbean Area Soils Information

Many of these reports require **Adobe Acrobat**

- **New San Germán Soil Survey Now Available!**
- **Soil Data Mart** - **The most current official soil information.** Determine and download soil tabular and spatial data for one soil survey area at a time. Generate a variety of reports for one soil survey area at a time.
- **Instructions on how to use Soil Data Mart (En Español)**
- **Web Soil Survey** - Access to soil survey information is provided through maps. All text and tables relate to the map symbols and the areas delineated on these maps.
- **Representative Soil of Puerto Rico**
- **Representative Soil of the United States Virgin Islands**
- **General Soil Map of Puerto Rico**
- **General Soil Map of the United States Virgin Islands (105KB)**
- **Map of Caribbean Area Major Land Resource Areas (42 KB)**
- **Caribbean Area Soil Survey Status Map (40 KB)**
- **Highly Erodible Land (HEL) Definitions**
- **Hydric Soils Criteria Definitions**

Seleccione el  
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Soil Survey"



USDA United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service

# Web Soil Survey

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### Search

Enter Keywords

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### Browse by Subject

- Soils Home
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- Soil Series Extent Mapping Tool
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- Soil Geochemistry Spatial Database
- Soil Quality
- Soil Geography
- Geospatial One Stop

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### I Want To...

- Start Web Soil Survey (WSS)
- Know the requirements for running Web Soil Survey
- Know whether Web Soil Survey works in my web browser
- Know the Web Soil Survey hours of operation
- Find what areas of the U.S. have soil data

### Welcome to Web Soil Survey (WSS)



Web Soil Survey (WSS) provides soil data and information produced by the National Cooperative Soil Survey. It is operated by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and provides access to the largest natural resource information system in the world. NRCS has soil maps and data available online for more than 95 percent of the nation's counties and anticipates having 100 percent in the near future. The site is updated and maintained online as the single authoritative source of soil survey information.

### Three Basic Steps

#### 1 Define...

##### Area of Interest (AOI)

Use the Area of Interest tab to define your area of interest.



Click to view larger image.

#### 2 View/Explore...

##### Soil Map

Click the Soil Map tab to view or print a soil map, or click the Soil Data Explorer tab to access soil data for your area and determine the suitability of the soils for a particular use. The items you want saved in a report can be



### Announcements/Events

- Web Soil Survey 2.1 has been released! View description of new features.

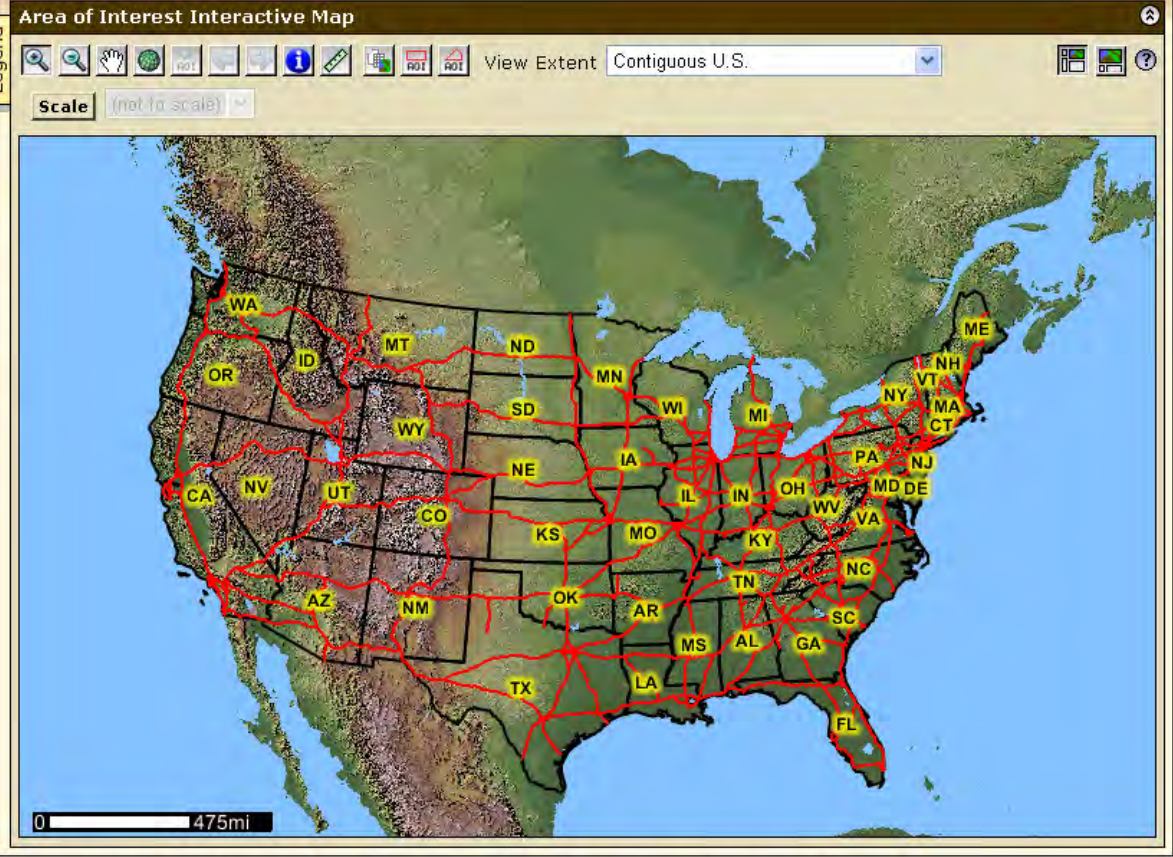
### I Want Help With...

- How to use Web Soil Survey
- How to use Web Soil Survey Online Help
- Known Problems and Workarounds
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Citing Web Soil Survey as a source of soils data



Tiene varias maneras de llegar al área de interés.

- Search**
- Quick Navigation**
- Navigate By...**
- Address
  - State and County
  - Soil Survey Area
  - Latitude and Longitude
  - PLSS (Section, Township, Range)
  - Bureau of Land Management
  - Department of Defense
  - Forest Service
  - National Park Service
  - Hydrologic Unit



Area of Interest (AOI)

Soil Map

Shopping Cart (Free)

Escoja el Catastro de Suelos.

Search

Quick Navigation

Navigate By...

Address
State and County
Soil Survey Area

Set AOI View

State Puerto Rico

County (optional)

Soil Survey Area Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Pa

Show Soil Survey Areas Layer in Map

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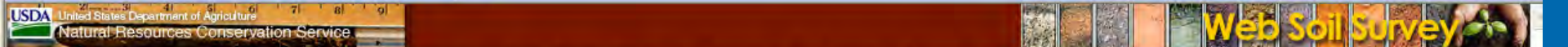
Interactive Map

View Extent Contiguous U.S.



Selecione "View"





**Area of Interest (AOI)** | Soil Map | Soil Data Explorer | Shopping Cart (Free)

**Search**

**Quick Navigation**

Navigate By...

Address

State and County

**Soil Survey Area**

State: Puerto Rico

County (optional):

Soil Survey Area: Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Pa

Show Soil Survey Areas Layer in Map

Latitude and Longitude

PLSS (Section, Township, Range)

Bureau of Land Management

Department of Defense

Forest Service

National Park Service

Hydrologic Unit

**Area of Interest Interactive Map**

Legend

View Extent: Contiguous U.S.

Scale: (not to scale)

Use el rectángulo o el polígono para trazar su área de interés.

Area of Interest (AOI) Soil Map Soil Data Explorer

**Search**

**Quick Navigation**

**Navigate By...**

**Address**

View ?

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Show **Postal Code** Layer in Map

View ?

- State and County
- Soil Survey Area
- Latitude and Longitude
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- Hydrologic Unit

**Area of Interest Interactive Map**

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Area of Interest (AOI)

Soil Map

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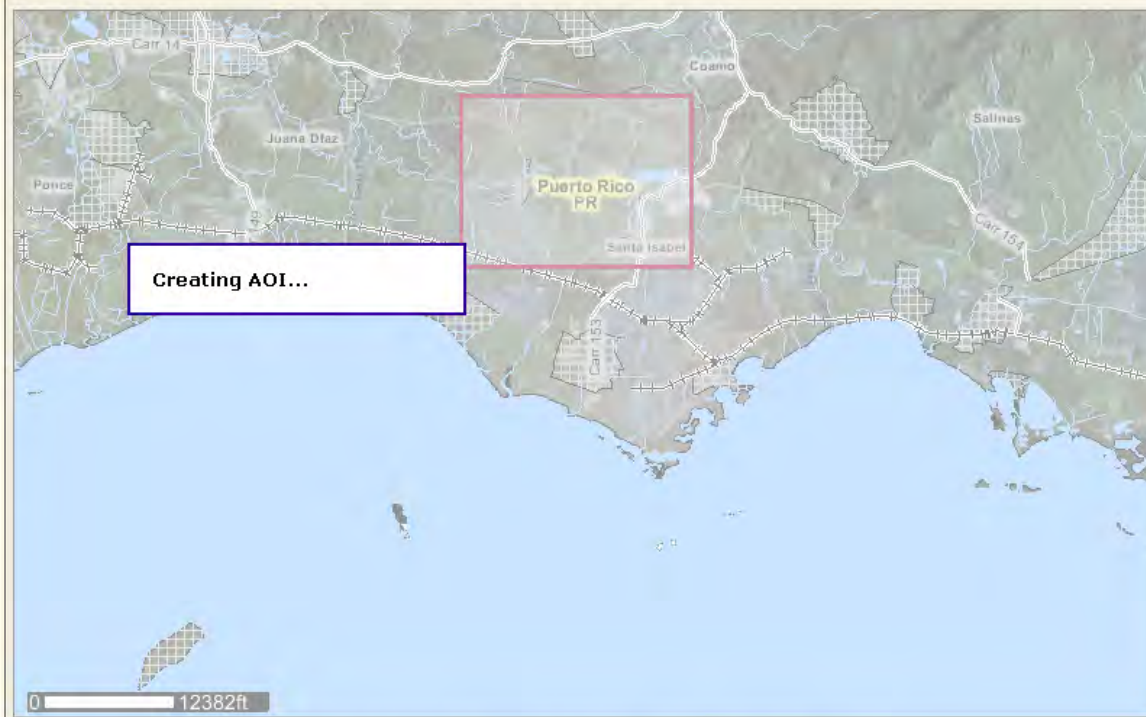
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Hydrologic Unit

Area of Interest Interactive Map

Scale View Extent

Scale



**Search**

**Area of Interest Properties** Clear AOI

**AOI Information**

Name

Map Unit Symbols  Use Soil Survey Area Map Unit Symbols  Use National Map Unit Symbols

Area  9,323.0

**Soil Data Explorer**

**Quick Navigation**

**Navigate By...**

**Address** View

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Show **Postal Code** Layer in

**Area of Interest Interactive Map**

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Aparecerá un "Grid" sobre el área seleccionada.

Area of Interest (AOI)

Soil Map

Soil Data Explorer

Shopping Cart (Free)

Search

Area of Interest Properties

Clear AOI

AOI Information

Name

Map Unit Symbols

- Use Soil Survey Area Map Unit Symbols
- Use National Map Unit Symbols

Area (acres)

Soil Data Available from

Ponce Area, Puerto Rico

Soil Maps

Soil Data

Clear AOI

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Address

City

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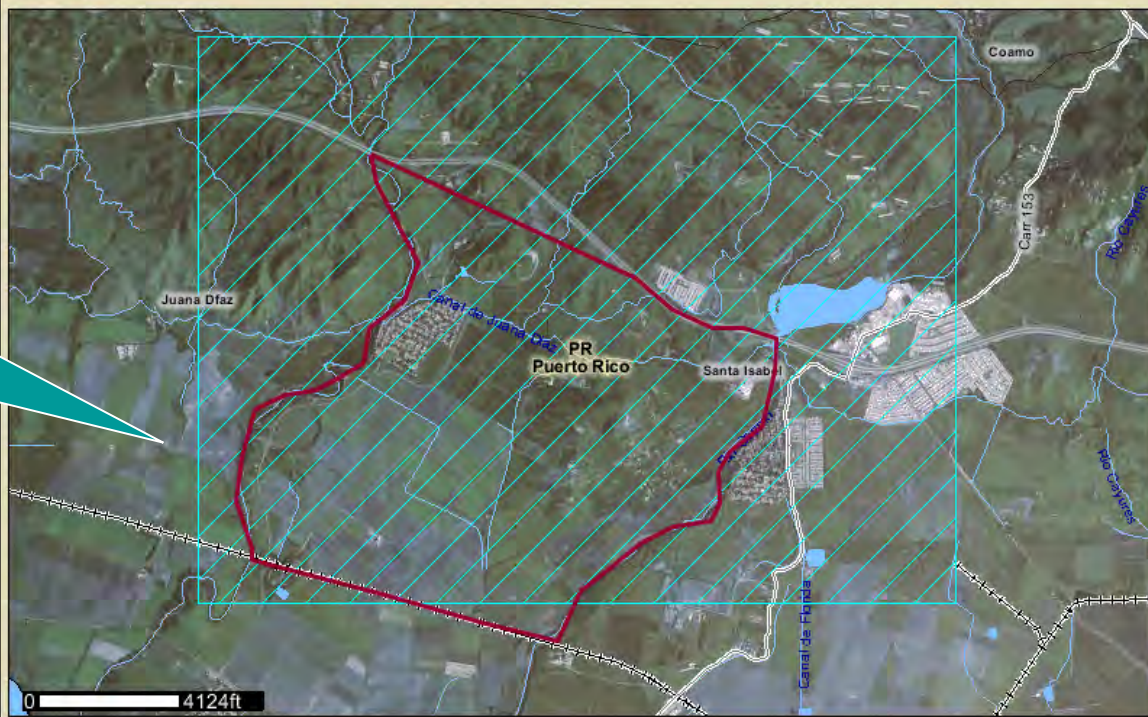
Zip Code

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Scale (not to scale)



Puede trazar un polígono.

Search  
Area of Interest Properties

Pase a la próxima pantalla.

Clear AOI

AOI ID:

Map Unit:

Area (acres) 3,008.6

**Soil Data Available from Web Soil Survey**

**Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part (PR688)**

Soil Maps Version 2, Feb 15, 2006

Soil Data Version 5, Dec 27, 2006

Clear AOI

**Quick Navigation**

Navigate By...

**Address**

View

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Show Postal Code Layer in

Area of Interest Interactive Map

Legend

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Obtiene el mapa y la leyenda de suelos.

Area of Interest (AOI) **Soil Map** Soil Data Explorer Shopping Cart (Free)

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Map Unit Legend

**Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part (PR688)**

Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
AgD	Aquilita gravelly clay loam, 12 to 20 percent slopes	97.6	3.2%
AgF	Aquilita gravelly clay loam, 20 to 60 percent slopes	153.1	5.1%
AhF	Aquilita stony clay loam, 20 to 60 percent slopes	5.6	0.2%
CoD	Callabo silty clay loam, 12 to 20 percent slopes	58.9	2.0%
CoE	Callabo silty clay loam, 20 to 40 percent slopes	82.6	2.7%
CoF2	Callabo silty clay loam, 40 to 60 percent slopes eroded	189.5	6.3%
Cx	Cortada silty clay loam	39.2	1.3%
CyB	Cuyon loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes	8.5	0.3%
FtB	Fraternidad clay, 2 to 5 percent slopes	707.0	23.5%
GPQ	Gravel pits, quarry	42.8	1.4%

Soil Map

Pase a la próxima pantalla.

Area of Interest (AOI) Soil Map Soil Data Explorer Shopping Cart (Free)

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Intro to Soils Suitabilities and Limitations for Use Soil Properties and Qualities Ecological Site Assessment Soil Reports

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Suitabilities and Limitations Ratings

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- Building Site Development
- Construction Materials
- Disaster Recovery Planning
- Land Classifications
- Military Operations
- Recreational Development
- Sanitary Facilities
- Vegetative Productivity
- Waste Management
- Water Management

Soil Map

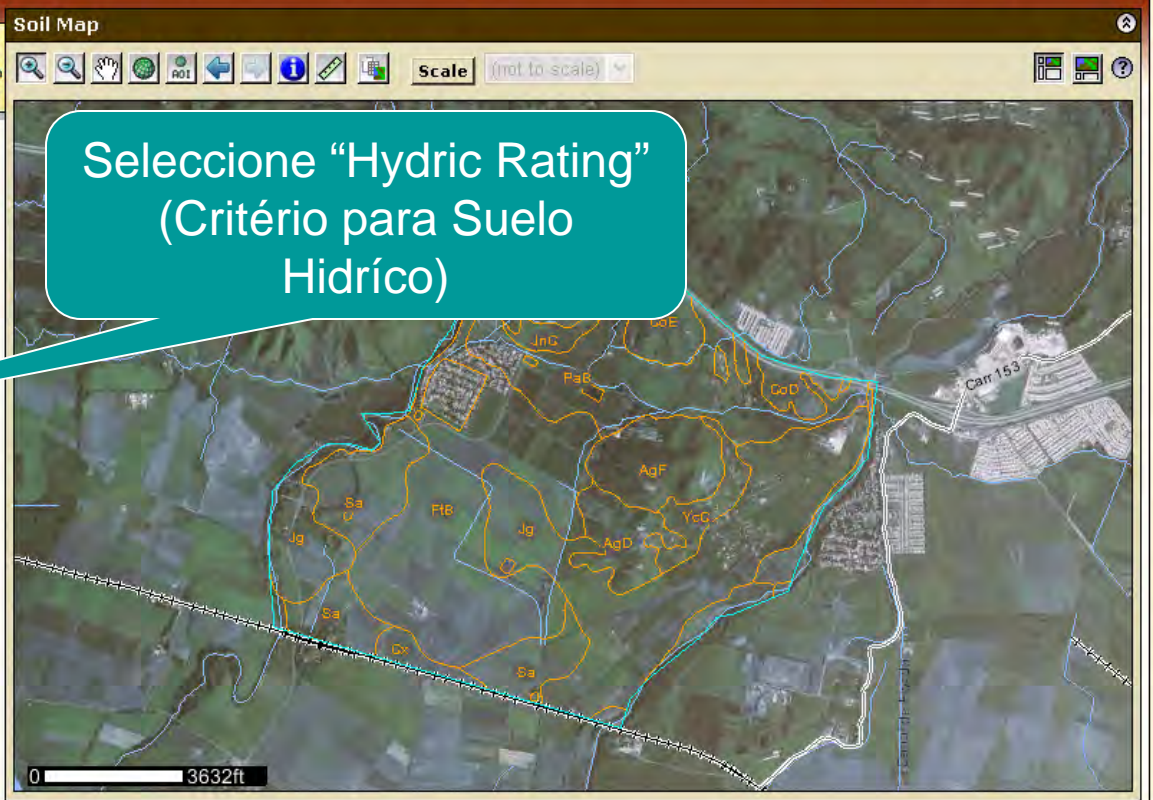
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Puede seleccionar diferentes interpretaciones.



- Search**
- Suitabilities and Limitations Ratings**
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  - Conservation Tree and Shrub Group
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  - Farmland Classification
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  - Irrigated Capability Subclass
  - Nonirrigated Capability Class
  - Nonirrigated Capability Subclass
  - Military Operations
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Seleccione "Hydric Rating"  
(Critério para Suelo Hidrico)

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Suitabilities and Limitations Ratings

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Building Site Development

Construction Materials

Disaster Recovery Planning

Land Classifications

Conservation Tree and Shrub Group

Ecological Site ID

Ecological Site Name

Farmland Classification

Forage Suitability Group ID (Component Table)

Hydric Rating by Map Unit

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Description of Rating

Rating Options

Detailed Description

Advanced Options

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Irrigated Capability Class

Irrigated Capability Subclass

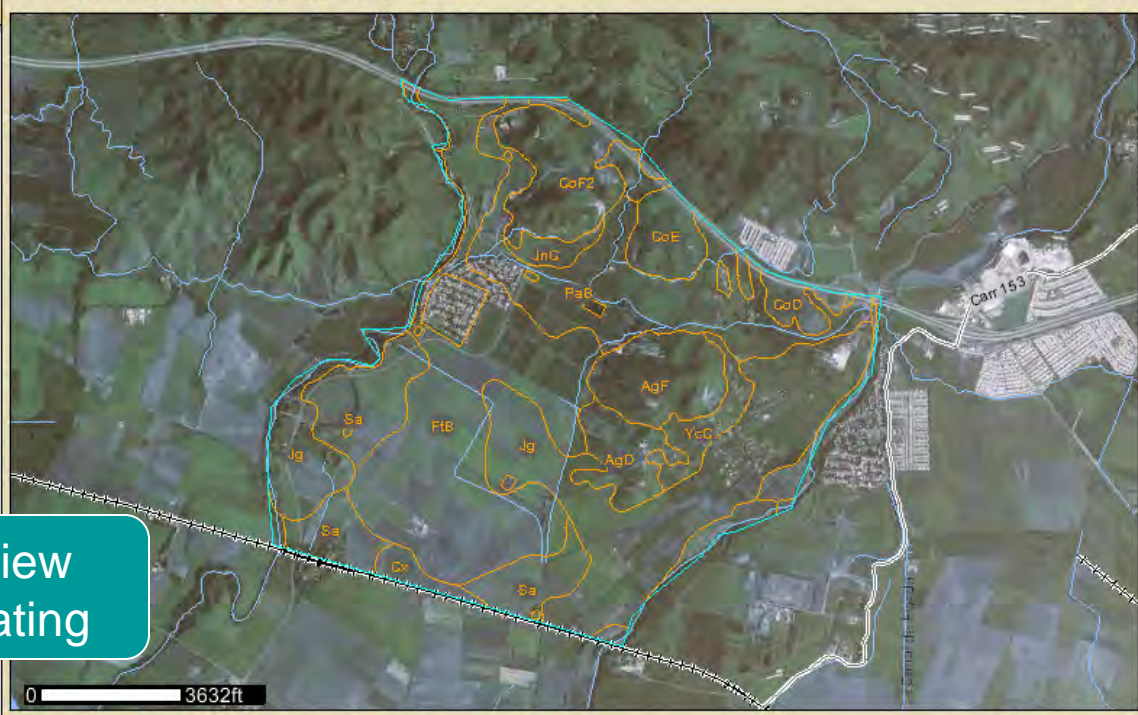
Nonirrigated Capability Class

Nonirrigated Capability Subclass

Military Operations

Soil Map

Scale (not to scale)



View Rating

Open All Close All ?

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- Disaster Recovery Planning ?

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**Hydric Rating by Map Unit**

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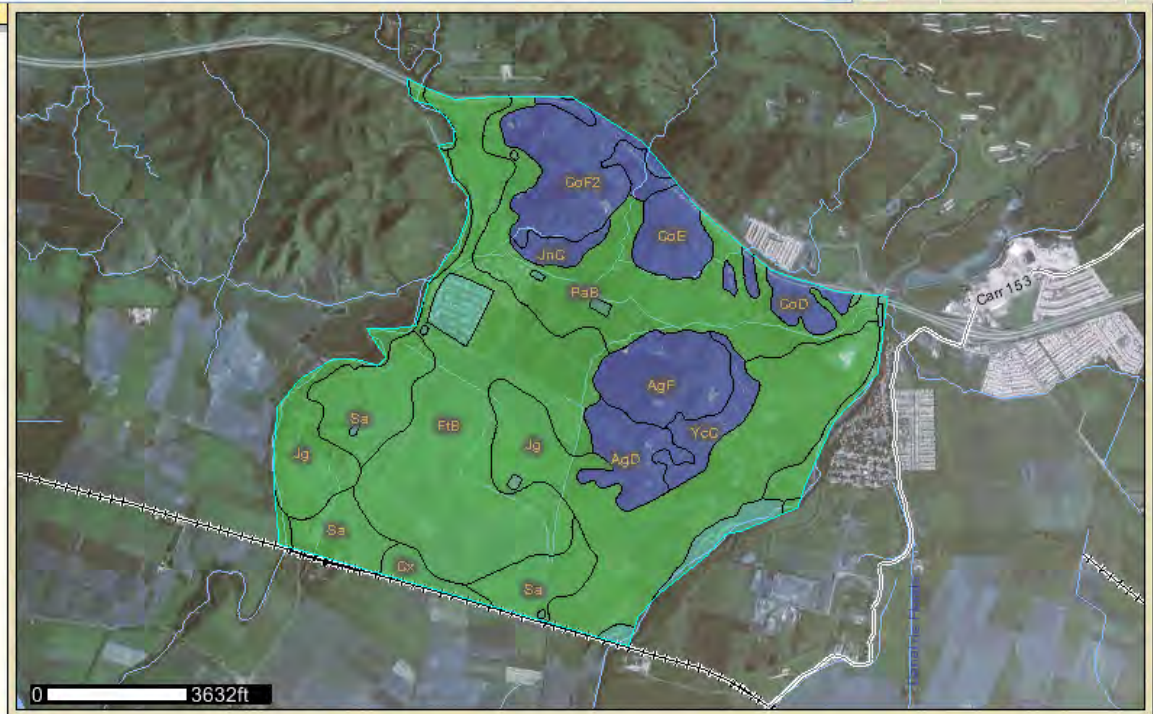
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**Tables — Hydric Rating by Map Unit — Summary By Map Unit**

**Summary by Map Unit — Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part**

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Area of Interest (AOI) | Soil Map | **Soil Data Explorer** | Shopping Cart (Free)

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**Suitabilities and Limitations for Use**

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**Suitabilities and Limitations Ratings**  
 Open All Close All

- Building Site Development
- Construction Materials
- Disaster Recovery Planning

**Land Classifications**

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- Hydric Rating by Map Unit**

View Description View Rating

**View Options**

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- Description of Rating
- Rating Options

Detailed Description

**Advanced Options**

View Description View Rating

- Irrigated Capability Class
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- Nonirrigated Capability Subclass
- Military Operations
- Recreational Development

**Printable Version Options**

**Report Options**

Title: Hydric Rating by Map Unit; Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part

Subtitle (optional):  
 Area of Interest Name: (none defined)  
 Custom Subtitle:   
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**Map Options**

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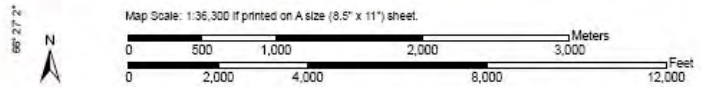
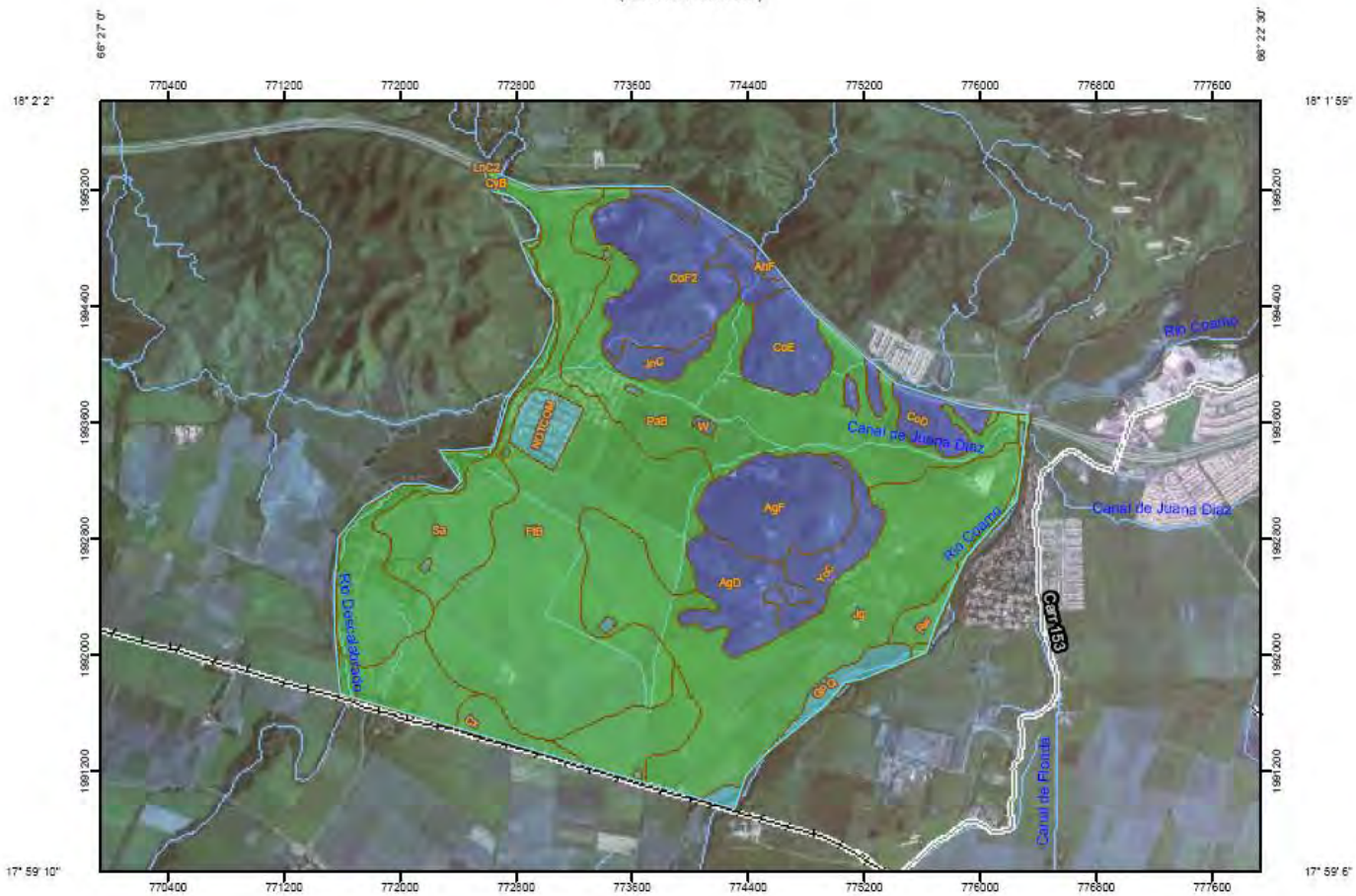
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Hydric Rating by Map Unit  
(Finca La Ponderosa)



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Hydric Rating by Map Unit—Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part  
(Finca La Ponderosa)

**MAP LEGEND**

- Area of Interest (AOI)**
  -  Area of Interest (AOI)
- Soils**
  -  Soil Map Units
- Soil Ratings**
  -  All Hydric
  -  Partially Hydric
  -  Not Hydric
  -  Unknown Hydric
  -  Not rated or not available
- Political Features**
  -  Cities
- Water Features**
  -  Oceans
  -  Streams and Canals
- Transportation**
  -  Rails
  -  Interstate Highways
  -  US Routes
  -  Major Roads

**MAP INFORMATION**

Map Scale: 1:36,300 if printed on A size (8.5" x 11") sheet.  
 The soil surveys that comprise your AOI were mapped at 1:20,000.  
 Please rely on the bar scale on each map sheet for accurate map measurements.

Source of Map: Natural Resources Conservation Service  
 Web Soil Survey URL: <http://websoilsurvey.nrcs.usda.gov>  
 Coordinate System: UTM Zone 19N NAD83

This product is generated from the USDA-NRCS certified data as of the version date(s) listed below.

Soil Survey Area: Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part  
 Survey Area Data: Version 5, Dec 27, 2006

Date(s) aerial images were photographed: 2004

The orthophoto or other base map on which the soil lines were compiled and digitized probably differs from the background imagery displayed on these maps. As a result, some minor shifting of map unit boundaries may be evident.

### Hydric Rating by Map Unit

Hydric Rating by Map Unit— Summary by Map Unit— Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part				
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FIB	Fraternidad clay, 2 to 5 percent slopes	Partially Hydric	707.0	23.5%
GPQ	Gravel pits, quarry	Unknown hydric	42.8	1.4%
Jg	Jacaguas silty clay loam	Partially Hydric	690.2	22.9%
JnC	Jacana clay, 5 to 12 percent slopes	Not Hydric	31.2	1.0%
LnC2	Llance clay, 5 to 12 percent slopes, eroded	Not Hydric	0.4	0.0%
NOTCOM	Not complete	Unknown Hydric	43.6	1.5%
PaB	Paseo Seco clay, 2 to 5 percent slopes	Partially Hydric	422.4	14.0%
Rw	Riverwash	Partially Hydric	31.9	1.1%
Sa	San Anton clay loam	Partially Hydric	285.0	9.5%
W	Water >40 acres	Unknown hydric	12.2	0.4%
YcC	Yauco silty clay loam, 5 to 12 percent slopes	Not Hydric	105.9	3.6%
<b>Totals for Area of Interest</b>			<b>3,068.6</b>	<b>100.0%</b>

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Hydric Rating by Map Unit--Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part Finca La Ponderosa

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### Description

This rating indicates the proportion of map units that meets the criteria for hydric soils. Map units are composed of one or more map unit components or soil types, each of which is rated as hydric soil or not hydric. Map units that are made up dominantly of hydric soils may have small areas of minor nonhydric components in the higher positions on the landform, and map units that are made up dominantly of nonhydric soils may have small areas of minor hydric components in the lower positions on the landform. Each map unit is designated as "all hydric," "partially hydric," "not hydric," or "unknown hydric," depending on the rating of its respective components.

Hydric soils are defined by the National Technical Committee for Hydric Soils (NTCHS) as soils that formed under conditions of saturation, flooding, or ponding long enough during the growing season to develop anaerobic conditions in the upper part (Federal Register, 1994). Under natural conditions, these soils are either saturated or inundated long enough during the growing season to support the growth and reproduction of hydrophytic vegetation.

The NTCHS definition identifies general soil properties that are associated with wetness. In order to determine whether a specific soil is a hydric soil or nonhydric soil, however, more specific information, such as information about the depth and duration of the water table, is needed. Thus, criteria that identify those estimated soil properties unique to hydric soils have been established (Federal Register, 2002). These criteria are used to identify map unit components that normally are associated with wetlands. The criteria used are selected estimated soil properties that are described in "Soil Taxonomy" (Soil Survey Staff, 1999) and "Keys to Soil Taxonomy" (Soil Survey Staff, 2006) and in the "Soil Survey Manual" (Soil Survey Division Staff, 1993).

If soils are wet enough for a long enough period of time to be considered hydric, they should exhibit certain properties that can be easily observed in the field. These visible properties are indicators of hydric soils. The indicators used to make onsite determinations of hydric soils are specified in "Field Indicators of Hydric Soils in the United States" (Hurt and Vasilas, 2008).

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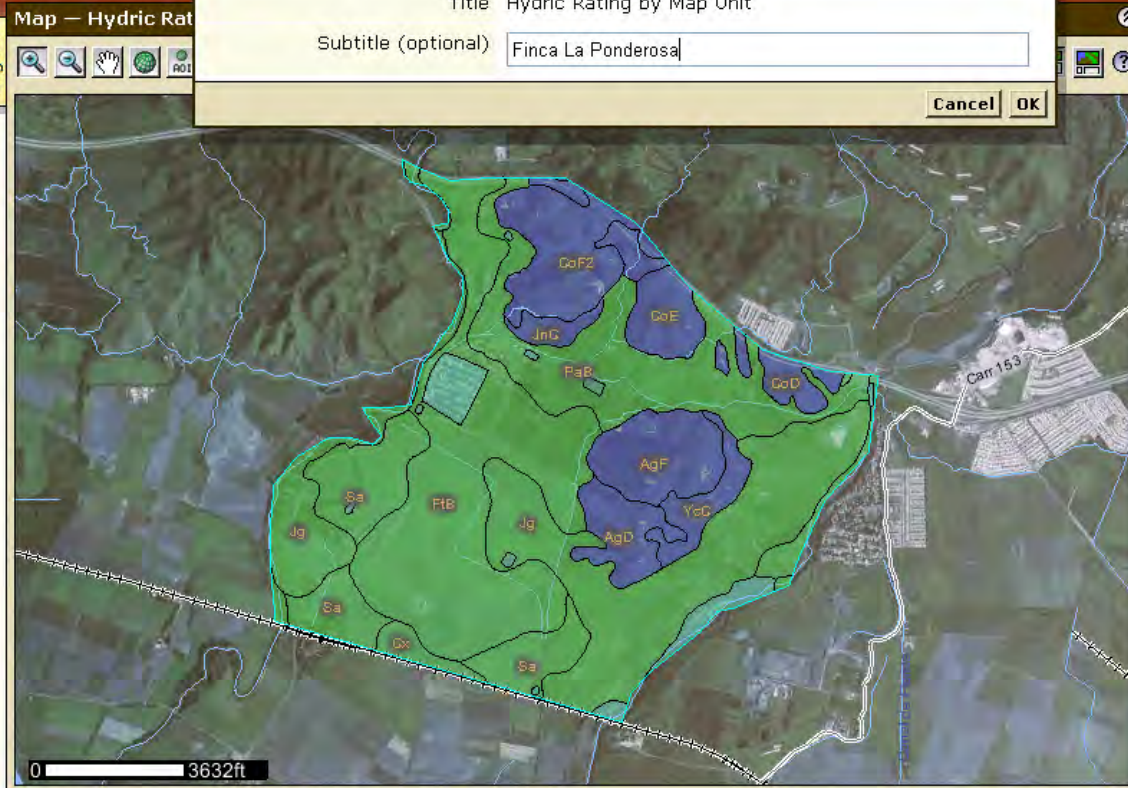
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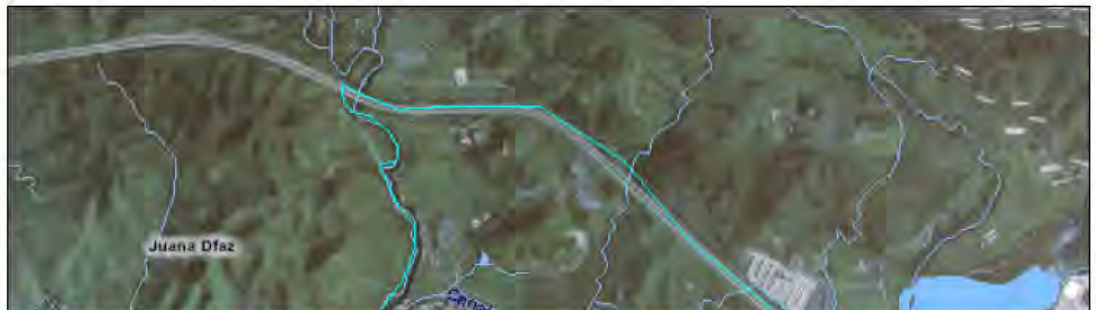
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Soil surveys contain information that affects land use planning in survey areas. They highlight soil limitations that affect various land uses and provide information about the properties of the soils in the survey areas. Soil surveys are designed for many different users, including farmers, ranchers, foresters, agronomists, urban planners, community officials, engineers, developers, builders, and home buyers. Also, conservationists, teachers, students, and specialists in recreation, waste disposal, and pollution control can use the surveys to help them understand, protect, or enhance the environment.

Various land use regulations of Federal, State, and local governments may impose special restrictions on land use or land treatment. Soil surveys identify soil properties that are used in making various land use or land treatment decisions. The information is intended to help the land users identify and reduce the effects of soil limitations on various land uses. The landowner or user is responsible for identifying and complying with existing laws and regulations.

Great differences in soil properties can occur within short distances. Some soils are seasonally wet or subject to flooding. Some are too unstable to be used as a foundation for buildings or roads. Clayey or wet soils are poorly suited to use as septic tank absorption fields. A high water table makes a soil poorly suited to basements or underground installations.

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## Ponce Area, Puerto Rico Southern Part

### AgD—Aguilita gravelly clay loam, 12 to 20 percent slopes

**Map Unit Setting**  
*Elevation:* 150 to 820 feet  
*Mean annual precipitation:* 25 to 45 inches  
*Mean annual air temperature:* 77 to 81 degrees F  
*Frost-free period:* 365 days

**Map Unit Composition**  
*Aguilita and similar soils:* 100 percent

**Description of Aguilita**

**Setting**  
*Landform:* Hillslopes  
*Landform position (two-dimensional):* Summit, shoulder, backslope  
*Landform position (three-dimensional):* Head slope, crest, side slope  
*Down-slope shape:* Linear, convex  
*Across-slope shape:* Convex, linear  
*Parent material:* Colluvium and residuum

**Properties and qualities**  
*Slope:* 12 to 20 percent  
*Depth to restrictive feature:* More than 80 inches  
*Drainage class:* Well drained  
*Capacity of the most limiting layer to transmit water (Ksat):* Moderately high to high (0.57 to 1.98 in/hr)  
*Depth to water table:* More than 80 inches  
*Frequency of flooding:* None  
*Frequency of ponding:* None  
*Calcium carbonate, maximum content:* 95 percent  
*Maximum salinity:* Nonsaline (0.0 to 2.0 mmhos/cm)  
*Sodium adsorption ratio, maximum:* 5.0  
*Available water capacity:* Moderate (about 7.3 inches)

**Interpretive groups**  
*Land capability (nonirrigated):* 6e

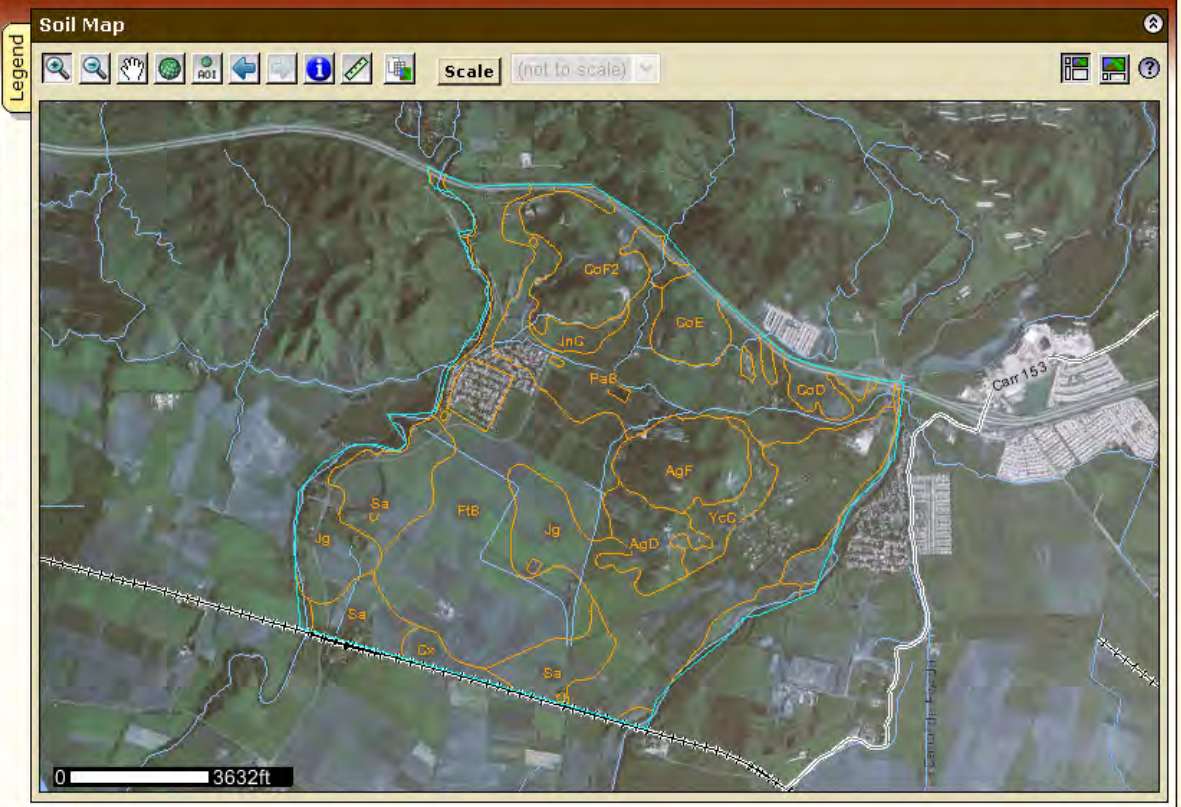
**Typical profile**  
*0 to 13 inches:* Gravelly clay loam  
*13 to 60 inches:* Gravelly loam

### AgF—Aguilita gravelly clay loam, 20 to 60 percent slopes

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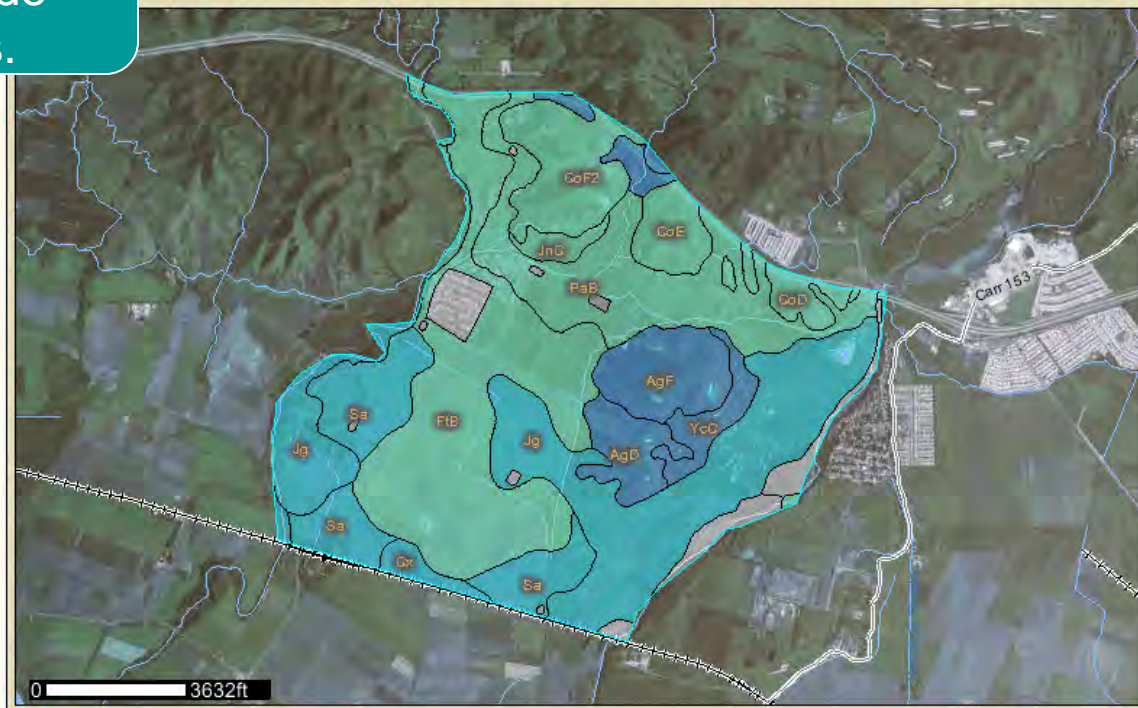
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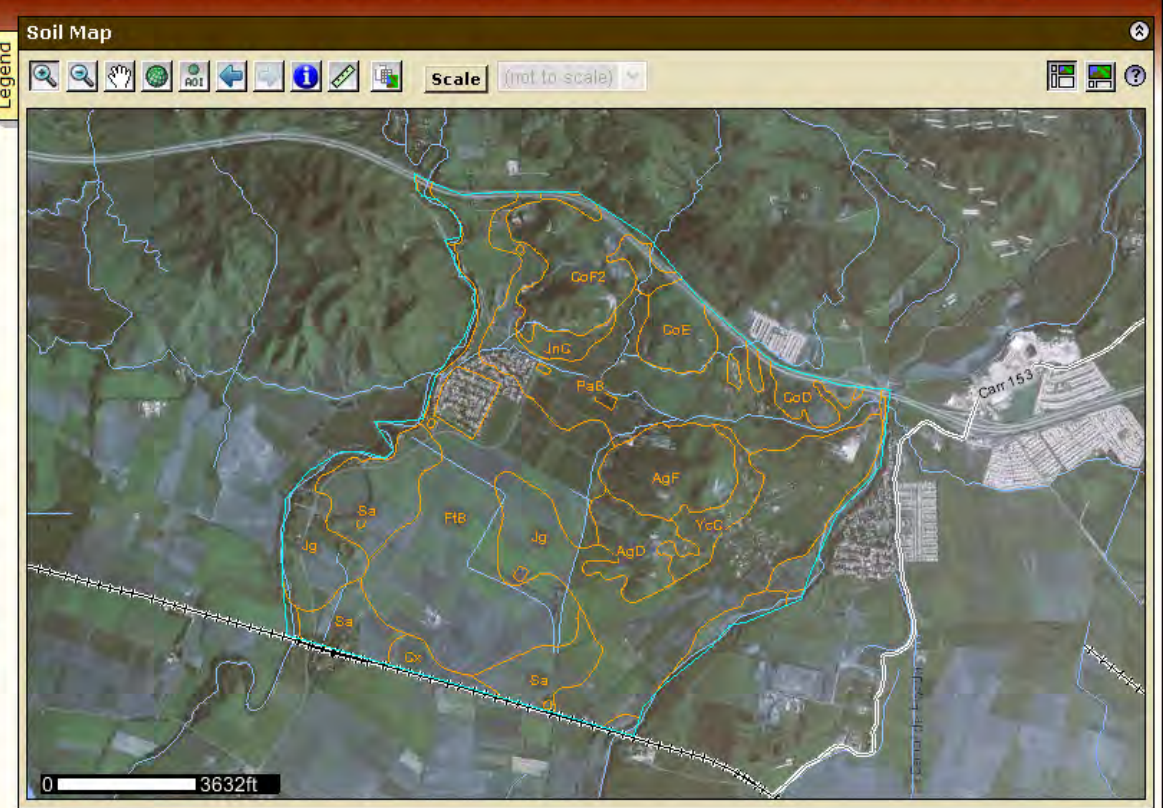


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AgF	Aguilita gravelly clay loam, 20 to 60 percent slopes	8.2	153.1	5.1%
AhF	Aguilita stony clay loam, 20 to 60 percent slopes	8.2	5.6	0.2%
CoD	Callabo silty clay loam, 12 to 20 percent slopes	6.7	58.9	2.0%
CoE	Callabo silty clay loam, 20 to 40 percent slopes	6.7	82.6	2.7%
CoF2	Callabo silty clay loam, 40 to 60 percent slopes	6.7	189.5	6.3%

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Map symbol and map unit name	Component	Percent of map unit	Landform	Hydric criteria
Cx—Cortada silty clay loam				
	Machuelo	2	Flood plains	3
CyB—Cuyon loam, 0 to 5 percent slopes				
	Machuelo	5	Flood plains	3
FtB—Fraternidad clay, 2 to 5 percent slopes				
	Aguirre	3	Depressions	2A, 3
Jg—Jacaguas silty clay loam				
	Machuelo	5	Flood plains	3
PaB—Paso Seco clay, 2 to 5 percent slopes				
	Aguirre	3	Depressions	2A, 3
Rw—Riverwash				
	Hydraquents	20	Flood plains	2B3, 3, 4
Sa—San Anton clay loam				
	Vayas	3	Flood plains	4

**Description — Hydric Soils**

**Hydric Soils**  
 This table lists the map unit components that are rated as hydric soils in the survey area. This list can help in planning land uses; however, onsite investigation is recommended to determine the hydric soils on a specific site (National

## Hydric Soils

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Cr: Cintrona clay	Machuelo	5	Flood plains	Yes	3
Hy: Hydraquents	Hydraquents	100	Flood plains	Yes	2B3, 3, 4
Ma: Machuelo clay	Machuelo	100	Flood plains	Yes	3

### Explanation of hydric criteria codes:

- All Histels except for Folistels, and Histosols except for Folists.
- Soils in Aquic suborders, great groups, or subgroups, Albolls suborder, Historthels great group, Histoturbels great group, Pachic subgroups, or Cumulic subgroups that:
  - are somewhat poorly drained and have a water table at the surface (0.0 feet) during the growing season, or
  - are poorly drained or very poorly drained and have either:
    - a water table at the surface (0.0 feet) during the growing season if textures are coarse sand, sand, or fine sand in all layers within a depth of 20 inches, or
    - a water table at a depth of 0.5 foot or less during the growing season if permeability is equal to or greater than 6.0 in/hr in all layers within a depth of 20 inches, or
    - a water table at a depth of 1.0 foot or less during the growing season if permeability is less than 6.0 in/hr in any layer within a depth of 20 inches.
- Soils that are frequently ponded for long or very long duration during the growing season.
- Soils that are frequently flooded for long or very long duration during the growing season.

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The three essential characteristics of wetlands are hydrophytic vegetation, hydric soils, and wetland hydrology (Cowardin and others, 1979; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1987; National Research Council, 1995; Tiner, 1985). Criteria for all of the characteristics must be met for areas to be

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Map Unit: AgD—Aguilita gravelly clay loam, 12 to 20 percent slopes

Component: Aguilita (100%)

The Aguilita component makes up 100 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 12 to 20 percent. This component is on hillslopes on hills. The parent material consists of colluvium and residuum. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is well drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is moderately high. Available water to a depth of 60 inches is moderate. Shrink-swell potential is low. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. There is no zone of water saturation within a depth of 72 inches. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 3 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 6e. This soil does not meet hydric criteria. The calcium carbonate equivalent within 40 inches, typically, does not exceed 85 percent. The soil has a slightly sodic horizon within 30 inches of the soil surface.

Map Unit: AgF—Aguilita gravelly clay loam, 20 to 60 percent slopes

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