Major Land Resource Area 010X Central Rocky and Blue Mountain Foothills

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Ecological site keys

John Day Mountain Foothills LRU

- I. Soil has an abrupt textural change within 10 inches of the surface (well-developed claypan)
 - A. Sites occurring on north aspect slopes ... R010XB081OR JD Claypan North 12-16 PZ
 - B. Sites occurring on south aspect slopes ... R010XB096OR JD Claypan South 12-16 PZ
 - C. Sites that are not influenced by aspect
 - 1 Soil moisture regime is aridic ... R010XB029OR JD Claypan 9-12 PZ
 - 2 Soil moisture regime is xeric
 - i. The surface soil is often three to six inches thick over a non-fractured substratum. In the reference state, little sagebrush is the dominant shrub with very low cover of antelope bitterbrush and yellow rabbitbrush ... R010XB080OR JD Claypan 12-16 PZ
 - ii. The surface soil is often five to ten inches thick over a fractured substratum. In the reference state, antelope bitterbrush is dominant with little sagebrush being subdominant ... R010XB082OR JD Shrubby Claypan 12-16 PZ

II. Not as above

- A. Soils are very shallow over highly fractured bedrock, interspersed with areas of rock outcrop ... R010XC059OR SR Mahogany Rockland 12+ PZ
- B. Not as above
 - 1 Soils are very shallow over lithic bedrock
 - i. Sites occur below 4000 feet elevation. Surface fragment cover is typically around 60 percent and extremely gravelly subsoil ... R010XB032OR JD Very Shallow 12-16 PZ
 - ii. Sites occur above 4000 feet elevation. Surface fragment cover is typically less than 30 percent ... R010XC039OR SR Very Shallow 12-16 PZ
 - 2 Not as above
 - i. Soils are very shallow over sediments ... R010XY015OR Buckwheat Scabland 9-12 PZ
 - ii. Not as above
 - a. Sites occurring on north aspect slopes
 - 1) Soils are shallow ... R010XC075OR SR Mountain Shallow North 12-16 PZ
 - 2) Soils are moderately deep to deep
 - i) Surface soils have an ashy influence with textures being ashy loam to ashy loamy sand ... R010XB085OR JD Mountain North 12-16 PZ
 - ii) Soil surface not ash influenced
 - a) Surface soils are often a shaly loam with very shaly loam to gravelly clay loam subsoils... R010XB071OR JD Shrubby Mountain North 12-16 PZ
 - b) Surface soil textures are silt loam to clay loam and subsoils are clay loams ... R010XC066OR SR Mountain North 12-16 PZ
 - b. Not as above
 - 1) Sites occurring on south aspect slopes

- i) Soils are shallow ... R010XC054OR SR Mountain Shallow South 12-16 PZ
- ii) Soils are moderately deep to deep ... R010XC047OR SR Mountain South 12-16 PZ
- 2) Not as above or sites that are not influenced by aspect
 - i) Soils are shallow
 - a) Soils are clayey. Surface textures are stony silt loams with clay loams and clays in subsoils ... R010XC037OR SR Mountain Shallow 12-16 PZ
 - b) Surfaces are very gravelly to very stony and may be ashy. Soils are loamy formed predominately from tuffaceous materials ... R010XB086OR JD Shrubby Mountain Shallow 12-16 PZ
 - ii) Soils are moderately deep to deep
 - a) Family particle size class is clayey
 - (1) Surface texture is a silt loam to silty clay loam ... R010XC032OR SR Mountain 12-16 PZ
 - (2) Surface texture is gravelly loam to very stony loam ... R010XB028OR JD Shrubby Mountain 12-16 PZ
 - b) Family particle size class is loamy
 - (1) Soils are moderately deep over fragmented tuffaceous bedrock. In the reference condition, curl-leaf mountain mahogany is the dominant shrub ... R010XC082OR SR Dry Pine 14-16 PZ
 - (2) Soils are moderately deep over bedrock. In the reference state, mountain big sagebrush is the dominant shrub and western juniper may be present in low amounts ... R010XC080OR SR Mahogany Mountain Loam 14-18 PZ