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Abstract

Salinity and sodium hazard may be created by factors including: soil type, field slope and drainage, irrigation system type and management, fertilizer and manuring practices, and other soil and water management practices. In this study the effects of water quality (sodium adsorption ratio, SAR and salinity, EC) on soil consistency of a clay loam soil were investigated. Disturbed soil samples were collected from clay loam soil and were treated with different water with quality of none limitation, moderate limitation and severe limitation. NaCl and CaCl₂ salts were used to prepare the different water treatment. The percentage of dispersible clay, liquid limit, plasticity limit and shrinkage limit were determined. Results showed that the water with severe limitation resulted in the most dispersible clay that change the appropriate moisture condition for tillage, increase the plasticity index and decrease friability index.