Prime Farmland Soils are those soils that have the best conditions for farm production. These soils
are among the most productive in the United States, and produce high yields of food, feed, forage,
fiber, and oil seed crops, and have the soil quality, growing
conditions, and management capabilities necessary for farming practices.

Improved Farmland Soils are those soils that have some of the requirements of prime
farmland and have commonly produced high yields of food, feed, and
forage crops.  It identifies productive soils that are suitable to be
for farms.  It identifies productive soils that are suitable to be
be protected in the Federal Farm and Ranch Lands Protection
Program (FRPP) which is reauthorized in the Food, Conservation

Low Potential Farmland Soils are those soils that are capable of
economic production of high value food, fiber or forage crops,
but do not meet all the requirements of prime farmland.  These soils
are not suitable for farms.  It identifies areas of high value
food, feed, and forage crops, and have the soil quality, growing
conditions, and management capabilities necessary for farming practices.

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https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/cpap/

DATA SOURCES

Related information is available at
http://soils.usda.gov/soil-survey/range-soils/ch2l1b1.html

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This map does not incorporate current land use changes which
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