

General Description.

The east one half of this township lies in the Desatoya mountains, the main summit of which extends almost north and south, with an altitude of about 9000 feet. These mountains are mostly rolling and barren on the summit, breaking abruptly on the west by steep rocky slopes into mountainous foothills. The next tier of peaks lie in low foothills of the Clan Alpine range of mountains. Between these foothills and the Desatoya range is a low rolling pass, which forms a divide between the valleys on the north and south. The soil on the north slope of this pass is a deep rich, sandy and gravelly loam, while on the south slope in the southern part of the township the soil is mostly washed clay loam from the mountains, and generally too rocky for agricultural purposes. The soil of the mountainous portion is mostly a loose rich clay loam of fine texture, covered with a good growth of rich and nutritious grasses, which furnish abundant feed for horses, cattle and sheep.

The west slopes of the Desatoya mountains are covered with a good growth of pinion pine timber, with a scattered growth of junipers and scrub