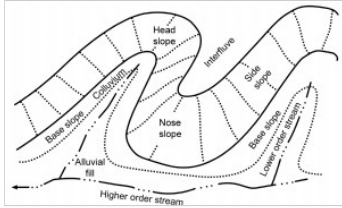


side slope

A geomorphic component of hills consisting of a laterally planar area of a hillside, resulting in predominantly parallel overland water flow (e.g., sheet wash); contour lines generally form straight lines. Side slopes are dominated by colluvium and slope wash sediments. Slope complexity (downslope shape) can range from simple to complex (Schoeneberger and Wysocki, personal communication, 2013). Compare base slope, head slope, nose slope.

side slope images/graphics:



Landscape positions and descriptors