Dear Party Chief:

As you well know, soil classification is quite variable, and can be set up to express one or several soil properties for any number of needs. With this thought in mind, I would like to propose 4 additions to the 7th Approximation which will express several secondary characteristics of soils, which may (or may not) be important.

1. There are those soils with properties which lead to costly problems when used for suburban development, such as slipslides, foundation failure, septic tank malfunction, etc. The classification would be:

Tragic Disastrochrepts - to be avoided.
(This soil occurs in, around, and about all other soils with which it is associated!)

2. There are very wet soils which may or may not have a fragipan. The problem is that these soils are usually too wet to locate the fragipan which is so poorly expressed in the first place that we mostly imagine that it is there at all, which really doesn't matter as the soil is so wet anyway. Other than for the excess water, these soils are not usually as wet as they seem. The classification would be: