**September 19, 1933** - Soil Erosion Service is created as temporary agency in the Department of the Interior to demonstrate practical conservation methods to farmers.

**March 11, 1934** - A fierce windstorm from the Great Plains swept fine soil particles across areas as far away as Washington D.C. Congress decides action must be taken immediately.

**April 27, 1935** - The Soil Conservation Service is established in the Department of Agriculture to help landowners carry out soil conservation practices.

**February 27, 1937** - President Franklin D. Roosevelt urges governors to enact conservation district law that will allow landowners to organize conservation districts.

**August 4, 1937** - North Carolina forms the first conservation district in the nation: Brown Creek Soil Conservation District.


**August 1954** - The Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Act is enacted to help communities protect, improve, and develop watersheds.

**July 2, 1957** - Arizona forms its first American Indian conservation district: Parker Valley Soil Conservation District.

**September 27, 1962** - The Resource Conservation and Development Program is created to advance community development and environmental protection in multi-county areas.
The Natural Resources Conservation Service provides leadership in a partnership effort to help people conserve, maintain, and improve our natural resources and environment.

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