

SYNOPSIS OF PROGRESS -- ROADSIDE DEVELOPMENT, 1937

1. Twenty-five States have effected cooperative agreements on soil erosion in accordance with the outline prepared by the Committee.
2. Several States have incorporated the basic stages of landscape development in initial design and construction.
3. Thirty-eight States have adopted a cross section design with flattened and rounded slopes.
4. The need for conserving top soil is increasingly recognized.
5. Top soiling, seeding, and sodding are being integrated with regular construction.
6. Native vegetation is favored for roadside plantings.
7. Safety factors of roadside development are gaining general recognition.
8. There is increasing interest in control of lands adjacent to the highway.
9. The scope of roadside development now recognizes three distinct zones: roadbed, roadside, and adjacent lands.
10. Iowa State College instituted the first regional short-course school for Roadside Development.
11. State highway departments are conducting roadside development schools for employees.
12. Educational programs are being advanced through demonstration projects.
13. The U. S. Bureau of Public Roads reports Federal participation in various States on 1,867 roadside projects. /MRB/