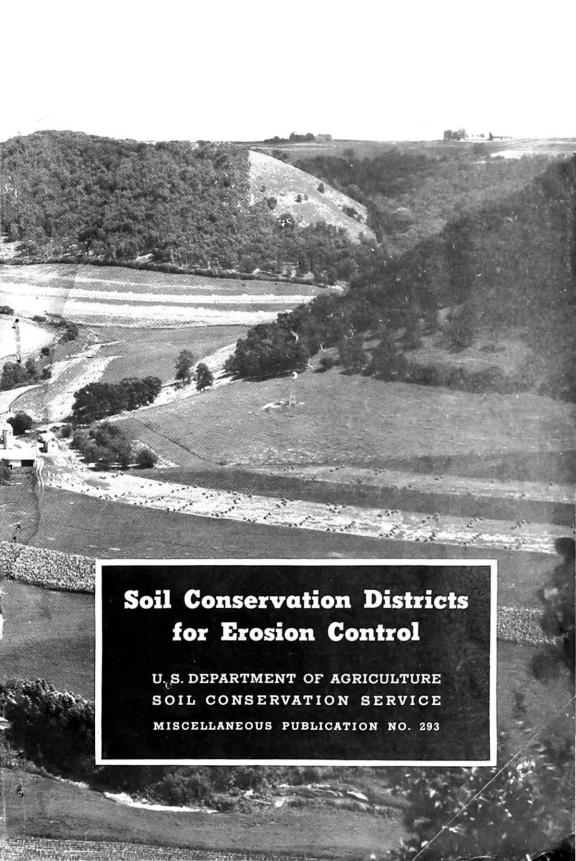
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FOREWORD

SOCIETY AND THE FARMER have a mutual interest in the land. They share the responsibility of preserving its productivity. To meet this responsibility they must act as partners. In the past, however, society and the farmer have been unable to enter fully and freely into such a partnership. The mechanism for doing so has been lacking. Now, however, a number of States have hassed soil conservation districts laws which enable the farmer and society to cooperate to control accelerated soil erosion. This legislation has an immediate bearing upon the soil conservation program of the Department of Agriculture. Early in 1936 the Department reached the conclusion that while soil conservation demonstrations could point the way, the States must provide adequate legal means of spreading tested soil conservation practices to all land suffering from erosion, if the problem is to be solved. The purpose of this publication is to discuss how the Department of Agriculture, as an arm of society, may cooperate with farmers through the mechanism provided by this State legislation.

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