departures from these requirements began as soon as the series category was introduced. Modifications in the concept and definition of the soil series began early as well. Those have been substantial over time but are not considered here because they do not alter the beginnings of the soil series and the soil type.

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Eroded Mollisols—The Saga Continues

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For years there has been discussion on the best way to name, classify, correlate, and interpret soils believed to be eroded Mollisols. The Map Unit Use File (MUUF) shows about 22.41 million acres of soils have been correlated as an eroded phase of some series in the Mollisol order. Figure 1 shows that 20.84 million acres have been correlated as eroded Mollisols. Figure 2 indicates that 1.575 million acres have been correlated as severely eroded Mollisols. This acreage is in about 30 states. About 5.7 million of the 22.4 million acres have been correlated as taxadjuncts to a series in the Mollisol order and this acreage is almost entirely in the midwestern USA (Fig. 3). Most are

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