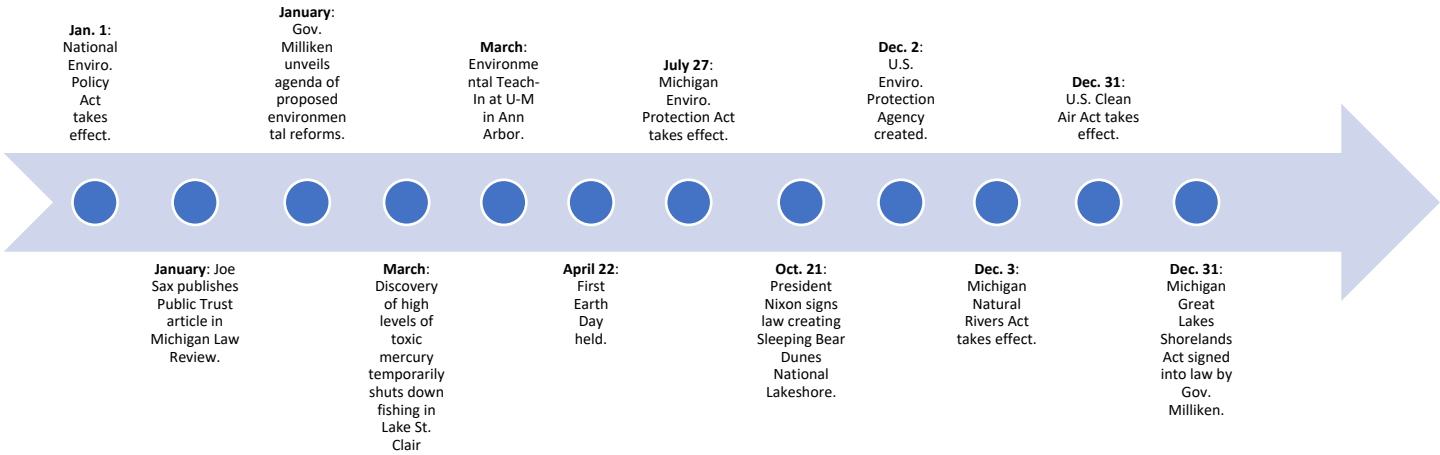
Jan. 1: National Enviro. Policy Act takes effect.
January: Joe Sax publishes Public Trust article in Michigan Law Review.
January: Gov. Milliken unveils agenda of proposed environmental reforms.
March: Discovery of high levels of toxic mercury temporarily shuts down fishing in Lake St. Clair
March: Environmental Teach-In at U-M in Ann Arbor.
April 22: First Earth Day held.
July 27: Michigan Enviro. Protection Act takes effect.
Oct. 21: President Nixon signs law creating Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore.
Dec. 2: U.S. Enviro. Protection Agency created.
Dec. 3: Michigan Natural Rivers Act takes effect.
Dec. 31: U.S. Clean Air Act takes effect.
Dec. 31: Michigan Great Lakes Shorelands Act signed into law by Gov. Milliken.