

EARTH-FRIENDLY FERTILIZERS FOR WATER QUALITY PROTECTION
Recommended by the Healthy Lawns and Gardens Technical Advisory Committee
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Criteria for designation as an earth-friendly fertilizer:

Low-phosphorus or no-phosphorus:

- Ratio of nitrogen-to-phosphate is 5:1 or greater

Slow-release nitrogen:

- Natural organic fertilizer; or
- Synthetic fertilizer with 40% or more W.I.N.; 40% controlled-release component or stabilized nitrogen fertilizer with equivalent performance capacity.

Free of all pesticides (including herbicides); no weed-and-feed.

BRAND NAME	N-P-K	% Slow-Release Nitrogen
ACO Fall Lawn Food	21-0-4	50%
Bradford Organics Lucious Lawn <i>Corn gluten product</i>	9-0-0	85%
Capitol Fertilizer – Washington Elevator	16-0-4; 24-0-8 & 30-0-10	40%
Espoma Organic Weed Preventer <i>Corn gluten product</i>	9-0-0	91%
Fertrell Lawn Fertilizers	9-1-4 or 8-1-8	70% - 85%
Grass Magic	15-0-7	70%
Greenview Spring Fertilizer – Fairway Formula	27-0-12	77%
Jonathan Green Organic Weed Control <i>Corn gluten product</i>	9-0-0	76%
Ringer Lawn Restore	10-2-6	76%
Scotts Natural Lawn Food	11-2-2	91%
Scotts Organic Choice Lawn Food	11-2-2	91%
Soil Science	5-0-7	High
Turf Nurture (small bag only)	15-0-7	75%
Organica Lawn Booster	8-1-1	94%



Other products meeting these criteria may be available. To submit products for consideration, please contact SOCWA, the Southeastern Oakland County Water Authority 248-288-5150 or LFDean@aol.com.