

**EARTH-FRIENDLY FERTILIZERS RECOMMENDED FOR
WATER QUALITY PROTECTION, SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN**

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 50% or more W.I.N. or controlled-release component

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%
Corn Gluten Products	9-0-0	85%
Clean Green Soy Fertilizer	7-0-0	High
Espoma Organic Weed Preventer	9-0-0	91%
Fertrell Lawn Fertilizers	9-1-4 or 8-1-8	70% - 85%
Ringer Lawn Restore	10-2-6	76%
Scotts Organic Choice Lawn Food	11-2-2	91%
Soil Science	5-0-7	High
Sta-Green Xtended Feed	35-5-5	55%
Turf Nurture (10 lb bag only)	15-2-7	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.. See also www.socwa.org for healthy lawn care tips and store locations.