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Overuse and misapplication of fertilizers in our lawn care pollute our water and alter the fish and wildlife habitat in our lakes.

Why is Phosphorus bad for our lakes?

- 1. The cumulative effect of fertilizer application is significant.**
- 2. The nutrient Phosphorus harms clear water by creating algal blooms.**
- 3. Lawn clippings and decaying leaves contain phosphorus and should not be placed near the waters edge where they can easily run off into the water.**



Before fertilizing you should have your soil tested

Don't collect lawn clippings—they feed the lawn naturally

Use zero phosphorus fertilizers on your lawn

"We have used organic turf management products on athletic turf that is adjacent to wetlands for the past 4 seasons. We have been able to maintain the same high quality turf that we achieved with the previous synthetic turf management program at a similar cost."

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