

WHEREAS; phosphorus is an essential element for life and critical to crop growth in the state of Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS; although phosphorus is a vital nutrient in fertilizer, its chemical nature can be harmful to freshwater ecosystems, and the process of removing phosphorus from water can be costly and challenging; and

WHEREAS; raising awareness and educating Wisconsin communities about safe and effective fertilizer application methods and environmental considerations can significantly reduce phosphorous runoff and pollution; and

WHEREAS; the state is committed to protecting Wisconsin’s navigational and recreational waters and infrastructure, investing in conservation, and working to ensure that every Wisconsinite has access to clean drinking water, and the collective work of dedicated individuals, organizations, and businesses, as well as Tribal and local government leaders throughout Wisconsin, is paramount to fulfilling that mission; and

WHEREAS; this week, the state of Wisconsin encourages all Wisconsinites to do their part in practicing and promoting the responsible use of phosphorus and learning about strategies that enhance and protect the health of Wisconsin’s freshwater resources and infrastructure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim April 7 through 11 2025 as

**PHOSPHORUS WEEK**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state’s residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 28th day of March 2025.

TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:

SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State