

# STATE of WISCONSIN



## OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

# Proclamation

*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 -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*  
TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

*Sarah Godlewski*  
SARAH GODLEWSKI  
Secretary of State