Fertilizers to Consider

Organic vs Inorganic?

<u>The essential **macronutrients** (high percentages) needed by the soil are:</u>

- Nitrogen (N)
 Phosphorous (P)
 Potassium (K)
 Sulfur (S)
 Calcium (C)
- •Magnesium (Mn)

<u>The essential **micronutrients** (low percentages)</u> <u>are:</u>

- •Chlorine
- •Iron
- •Boron
- •Manganese
- •Zinc
- •Copper
- •Molybdenum

N-P-K = Nitrogen(up) – Phosphorus(down) – Potassium(all around)

• Organic

- Carbon based
- Plant or animal origin
- Granular or liquid format.
- Very low risk of soil damage.
- Generally, pH neutral
- Low levels of nutrients.
- Examples: 1-1-5, 5-4-2, 1-1-1 etc.
- Requires conversion by soil organisms
- Slow action & safer.
- Improves soil
- Best approach over time.

• Inorganic

- Chemical not living origin
- Granular or powder form
- Salt based generally lowers pH
- Higher risk of soil damage faster acting.
- Higher levels of chemical per application.
- Example: 8-10-8, 10-10-10, 20-20-20 etc.
- Higher concentrations overdose?
- Slow-release compounds available example => Osmocote.



Mills Magic Mix - Granular

Organic - This product is a combination of alfalfa meal, fish meal, steamed bone meal, cottonseed meal, blood meal, activated sludge, and an organic compost activator. NPK analysis is 6-5-1. 20lbs



Bloomkote plant food. - Granular Inorganic. A time released fertilizer that was specifically formulated for roses. 16-15-14 20lbs



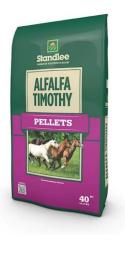
Rose-tone Organic – Granular 4-3-2. 18lbs



Ferti-lome Inorganic Granular 14-12-11. 20lbs



Shake 'n Feed Combination Organic and Inorganic 12-4-8. 8lbs



Organic – Alfalfa Pellets

40lbs



Magnum Rose Food Powder 8-10-8 1.5lbs



Organic. Produces beneficial results during every phase of plant growth. Starting with seed germination and following through to vegetative growth, budding and flowering, 1-1-5 quart



Scott's Combined Inorganic & organic 12-4-8 3lbs



Natures Nog

totally organic, natural compound designed to enhance root formation, increase vascular strength, promote green color, quart



Inorganic Powder 1.5 lbs



Organic. Beaty's seaweed with nutrients also carries bacteria, viruses, and fungi. 1-gallon



Organic- Neptune's Harvest quart 2-3-1 Examples of granular inorganic "balanced" Fertilizer.

10-10-10, 20-20-20, 7-7-7