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Soil, Fertilizer, Mulch and Compost Tips

- Be careful to keep ice melting products away from landscape plants. Avoid using granular fertilizers to melt ice. The fertilizer when used in the amount needed to melt ice can cause browning of nearby landscape plants, and is corrosive to concrete and metal. Also, the run-off onto paved surfaces is washed down storm drains and into waterways. Use coarse sand to improve traction on walkways and magnesium chloride products to melt ice.

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