

**1573.0090 ALTERNATIVE MANAGEMENT TOOLS; ALTERNATIVE PROTECTION REQUIREMENTS.****Subpart 1. Alternative management tools.**

A. The commissioner shall maintain a list of alternative management tools on the Department of Agriculture website.

B. The commissioner shall identify on the list of alternative management tools if an alternative management tool can be substituted for a nitrogen fertilizer best management practice in the nitrogen fertilizer best management practice evaluation.

C. A responsible party subject to a water resource protection requirements order may implement an alternative management tool as an alternative to a specific requirement in a water resource protection requirements order only if the commissioner states in the list of alternative management tools that the alternative management tool is a substitute for a nitrogen fertilizer best management practice. A responsible party must keep records of all alternative management tools used and the specific water resource protection requirements order that allows the alternative management tool to be used.

D. A responsible party may use an alternative management tool in addition to the requirements in the water resource protection requirements order.

**Subp. 2. Alternative protection requirements.**

A. A person subject to a water resource protection requirements order may apply to the commissioner to suggest an alternative protection requirement pursuant to Minnesota Statutes, section 103H.275, subdivision 2, paragraph (e).

B. All applications for alternative protection requirements shall be made on a form approved by the commissioner.

**Statutory Authority:** *MS s 103H.275*

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