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Mini-Quiz 5

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The use of fertilizer (mainly N and P) has undoubtedly increased crop yields globally. However, research suggests that this fertilizer use can have other impacts on terrestrial ecosystems because not all fertilizer is taken up by the crops. How might use of fertilizer impact ecosystem services?

2 Did you find any negative ecosystem service impacts in response to question 1? If so, how could we avoid these while maintaining crop productivity?

How might you expect fertilizer use to impact microbial (bacterial and fungal) communities? How might this impact the ecosystem?