EVER WONDER WHY SO MANY FARMERS FLOCK TO CHICKEN MANURE AS A CROP FERTILIZER? It turns out, chicken manure not only makes a great fertilizer—it actually builds healthy soils. The organic matter in manure helps the soil store nutrients, soak up water, and ward off erosion. It even promotes the growth of beneficial organisms that make the soil more productive.

To protect nearby waterways, farmers follow strict environmental rules when applying manure. After all, healthy soil and clean water go hand in hand. Learn more.

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