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This homemade weedkiller can also be used to remove weeds that grow between pavers of walkways or patios.

Mix in a container:

- 1 gallon of white vinegar
- 2 cups of Epsom salt
- 1 cup of Dawn detergent

Note: Mix vinegar and Epsom salt first. Then add Dawn detergent, being careful not to over shake and create too many suds.

Use a 2-gallon or other size container with sprayer to apply the mix.

**From:** Ken Kukovich & Sandy Lockhart <inthewind2@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, February 17, 2019 3:19 PM  
**To:** Anne Owen  
**Subject:** Re: Weed suppressant formula

Hi Anne,

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On Sun, Feb 17, 2019 at 9:03 AM <[aowen@loudounwildlife.org](mailto:aowen@loudounwildlife.org)> wrote:

Hi Sandy, I know that you sent this to me once before, but I am sorry to say that I can't lay my hands on it – can you resend?

Thanks!

Anne