Garden Soil Mix

I make my own soil. The bottom fill can be anything. I use compost from green dump for that. Only the top 4” need mix because other than carrots everything else in a normal vegetable garden gets all of it nutrients in the top 4”.

The mix:

1/3 compost again the green dump stuff works great - $20 a yard and you can buy a 1/2 a yard.

1/3 perlite - IFA has the best price. Get the big white bag outside.

1/3 peat moss- this is the most expensive part. As long as it is spagnum all peat moss is the same. Walmart usually has the best price or IFA.

The mixture of compost and peat moss is your fertilizer. I have not fertilized in the 20 years I have been growing here in American Fork nor in the 28 years prior to that. The perlite is for water retention. This makes it so you water 1/4 the amount of normal gardens.