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Dear CEO Rivera, Chair Rabbitt and Board Members,

I wanted to provide a brief update on the all weather athletic fields at Tom Schopflin Fields.

The Trione fields are maintained by the Santa Rosa United Soccer club who have a long term ground lease with the County. The fields were updated with new synthetic grass and an elastomer infill material a few years ago. From speaking with the staff at Santa Rosa United Soccer, the infill material is not performing as designed which is causing it to stick to players shoes as well as creating clumps of material on and around the soccer fields. I believe this is the material that our park neighbor, Bob Cippola, has brought into the board chambers while making public comments.

Santa Rosa United has done a lot the work over the past few weeks to clean up this material and are currently working with the contractors who installed the field to address the infill failure. They will likely be replacing this infill material in the near future and our discussions have been focused on working together to evaluate the new infill and ideally utilize a more natural and recyclable material than the current substance.

Please let me know if you have any questions and I will provide an update to Mr. Cippola.

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