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Martha's Vineyard Commission  
Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

RE: MVRHS Artificial Turf Playing Field Proposal

By E-mail to Lucy Morrison: [lucy@mvcommission.org](mailto:lucy@mvcommission.org)  
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Ladies and Gentlemen,

Here. Really?? Now??!!

I write in opposition to the artificial turf playing field proposal.

That anyone on this 'fragile outpost' could consider for one moment that a manufactured plastic/rubber field is a good idea is mind-blowing.

There are known devastating environmental and health impacts to humans, wildlife, marine life, water resources, the air we breathe, our environment and ecology.

It should never even have been proposed. Not here, not ever . . .

It is NOT sustainable. Its short shelf--life requires constant life-support.

It is disposable, yet impossible to dispose of. There is one recycling facility in the whole world, in Denmark. Please.


This is an entirely toxic proposal—toxic to the athletes who will play on it, toxic in its content, toxic in its maintenance, and toxic in its inevitable downward spiral.

It is toxic politically.

It is toxic that it was even proposed on this Island in this age of climate change and emphasis on sustainability.

Please vote to deny this staggeringly irresponsible and toxic proposal.

Sincerely,

  
Kerry Scott