PEER-TO-PEER: BETTER TURF THROUGH NETWORKING

MGCSA members were asked:

Has your course been impacted through use of Imprelis herbicide? What are the injuries and what are you doing about them?







Imprelis damage evident on spruce tips at Spring Hill Golf Club .

I wish we didn't have a report on this, but we do. Facts are as follows:

- Applied mid-May.
- Over 100 trees showing signs of uptake.
- White Pine, Black Hills, Norway and Colorado Spruce and several types of fur trees are affected. Black Hills seem to be most sensitive.
 - After 12 weeks, we are still seeing new trees showing uptake
- All trees are being photographed, identified, mapped and categorized for their value.
- Prior to removal, we employed an arborist to certify that the tree and not just its new growth is, in fact, dead. The tree is measured in height, diameter at base of trunk and diameter at five feet. This will enable us to assign a replacement value. Trees that are removed and ground up are not used in mulch around any other trees.
- Soil and needle samples have been collected and stored for future use.
- After speaking with many universities, we don't feel a complete assessment of the damage will be able to be obtained for at least two years due to the persistance of the product in the soil.

- Tim Johnson Spring Hill Golf Club



DOUG MAHAL, CGCS, The Jewel at Lake City, watches his sand shot during the 2011 MGCSA Championship on The Lakes course at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge in Deerwood, MN on August 15.



NICK MORTER, Windsong Farm Golf Club, tees off during the MGCSA Championship on No. 9, a 196-yard, par 3 at Ruttger's Bay Lake Lodge.

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