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Dr. Kent Kurtz of Cal Poly, Pomona, describes from a turf viewpoint the fields hosting the athletes of the XXIII Olympiad. Each field manager has gone the extra mile to insure the eyes of the world will focus on turf befitting the world’s greatest amateur athletes.

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