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SFMANJ SUMMER FIELD DAY 2010

Lacey Township, NJ

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The Sports Field Managers Association of New Jersey (SFMANJ) Activities and Education Committee has finalized the details for this year's Summer Field Day to be held Lacey Township, NJ. This full day program of events will be held on June 22, 2010 at two of Lacey Township's premier parks. Attendees will begin their day at Hebrew Park – the

At the conclusion of morning presentations and demonstrations, attendees will be provided a complimentary lunch to enjoy during the one hour trade show portion of the program. After a hearty lunch with colleagues and an additional networking opportunity, the afternoon educational program will begin. The program starts off with a backpack sprayer calibration seminar presented by Dr.



2009 SFMANJ Field of the Year. After registration and morning refreshments, Director of Public Works J. Casey Parker, CPWM will present the award winning field and give attendees an overview of its construction and maintenance program. At the end of the presentation, attendees will move just down the road to Gille Park for the remainder of the Field Day activities and events.

Shortly after arrival at Gille Park, attendees will be greeted by industry leading professional vendors of turf and sports field maintenance products. Plenty of time has been allocated so that attendees can network and talk some shop with all of these professionals. After vendor introductions, there will be several turf and sports field maintenance equipment and product demonstrations throughout the park. This will be a great opportunity for sports field managers and decision makers to see some of the newest and most innovative tools of the trade in action.

John Grande of the Rutgers Snyder Research and Extension Farm. At the conclusion of Dr. Grande's seminar, attendees will be able to ensure the proper application of liquid pesticides. As pesticide applications in New Jersey and other states are being regulated more and more heavily, this will be a great opportunity to learn from the best in the business and stay within compliance of pesticide laws. As more and more emphasis is being placed on proper cultural practices, the second part of the educational program will be presented by Craig Tolley, Professor of Horticulture, County College of Morris. Professor Tolley will cover a broad range of topics for the best ways to manage municipal and school grounds. After Craig Tolley's seminar, the educational program will be concluded by Brad Park, Rutgers University. The

focus of this seminar will be turfgrass species identification. This will be a hands-on exercise that is an important component of good integrated pest management practices. Pesticide credits will be available at the conclusion of the educational program for those attendees who need to keep their pesticide applicator licenses up-to-date.

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and Equipment Demonstrations at
Rutgers Adelfia Field Day:
July 28, 2010**

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