



July 10, 2019

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**Re: MSAD 75 Mt. Ararat High School Baseball & Practice Field**

Dear Ian:

The purpose of this letter is to request your presence at meeting on Thursday, July 18, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the Superintendent of School's Office and, further, to provide you with a list of items we would like to discuss at that meeting.

PDT and Gorrill-Palmer have forwarded several reports to you related to soil samples, grading verification, and infield mix review. PDT has also recently forwarded results of density tests and a small sample of infiltration tests. All testing has been done to help the owner and architect understand what factors may be contributing to the poor grass growth and slow drainage at both fields.

A check of the grading shows the baseball field grading almost perfectly matches that required by Gorill-Palmer's drawings but there are some problematic areas at the practice field which will require some remediation. The soil samples show the infield mix is not in compliance with the specification. The topsoil mix on both fields is different from the approved sample submitted at the start of the project. In general, the topsoil sampling has found the samples are low in silt and high in clay.

PDT and Gorrill-Palmer have never received any seed mix submission so we cannot verify the seed mix applied matches the specification requirements.

I assume you have been reviewing all test reports forwarded to your office and are aware of any deviations to the drawings and submittals.

At next Thursday's meeting we would like to review the findings of the survey and S. W. Cole samples, and to review any remediation program Crooker Construction will be proposing to bring materials and grading in conformance with the specifications and your remediation and maintenance plan for improving the grass catch at both fields. This would include any program

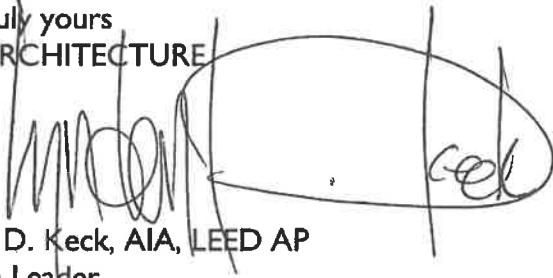
you are developing relating to aeration, herbicide, fungicide, and fertilizer, as well as any continued overseeding program you may be considering.

MSAD 75 is appreciative of your continued efforts to improve the grass situation and look forward to supporting Crooker Construction in their effort to improve the turf growth to make the field suitable for athletic play by Mt. Ararat's athletes.

Please be prepared to come to the meeting Thursday with specific and detailed plans on repairs and remediation.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Very truly yours  
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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lyndon D. Keck', is written over the printed name and title. The signature is stylized and cursive.

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