

Statement of FieldTurf in opposition to Maryland House Bill 1547
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Building for tomorrow. It's our sustainability commitment.

That means our innovation isn't limited to product specs. Our promise to keep players safe on our turf has naturally evolved into an obsession — one with a singular focus to completely eliminate its potential to harm not just people but the environment too. Now in everything we do, we strive for the lowest impact on people and the planet — from Cradle-to-Cradle™ manufacturing, to circular design, to the utmost care for those who play on and handle our products.

When it comes to waste, we have a simple mission: create a future where none of our products ever makes it to a landfill. Getting there isn't just a journey; it's a quest. It's why we've devoted our research and development efforts to tackle the complexity required to recycle old turf. It's why we repurpose key materials from end-of-life installations to create the advanced components of future products. And it's why we continue to be the forefront of developing technology to expand end-of-life turf applications — transforming would-be waste and dispersed materials into useful new products with renewed value.

For example, in 2019 alone, we diverted from landfills over 21 million pounds of infill from existing sports fields. We also repurpose our own material for landscape use.

We currently have one commercialized product that is made from post-consumer turf. We do have some other ideas in development:

- **GREENBOARD**

- The innovative technology combines “nonrecyclable” plastics and postconsumer turf to make a durable and 100% recycled fiber-reinforced composite board with zero wood content.

