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To whom it may concern,

For years I have coach youth sports, of all types, on dozens of Petaluma City park fields. All of these fields have presented the same issue and that is safety. They're not maintained properly and this results in uneven playing surfaces, gofer holes, irrigation issues and large cracks from the adobe soil. Before every practice or game, myself and other parents are left worried about our kids safety. The effort that it takes to minimize these issues makes it very difficult to find coaches to sign up and continue to come back.

Although turf fields can be considered dangerous to professional athletes, this isn't the case for our youth in Petaluma. It's is a privilege to practice, play or partake in any event on the Lucchesi turf fields. Please, on behalf of all the parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles and other, please don't take away the best fields that Petaluma has. Please don't downgrade the opportunities that our children have to get real skilled practices in. Please don't take away one of the few reliable places we have.

Thank you,

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Sent from my iPhone