<u>MPSTMA Announces 2011 Field of the</u> <u>Year</u>



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Minneapolis, (Jan. 26, 2011) – The Minnesota Park and Sports Turf Managers Association (MPSTMA) presented the annual Field of the Year Award to the Noble Sport Park Complex in Brooklyn Park, Minn., on Jan. 5. The annual award, sponsored by Turfco¬ Manufacturing, recognizes a Minnesota athletic facility for outstanding maintenance, aesthetics and overall playing conditions.

Park maintenance superintendent, Greg Hoag and six other employees accepted the award on behalf of Brooklyn Park. Noble Sport Park Complex opened in May 2004 and hosts baseball, softball and soccer games on its eleven fields.

Hoag said, "This is an honor that shows the dedication of my entire maintenance division in maintaining not only the Noble Sport Park Complex, but the 60 other parks that we maintain. It shows that our peers see us as a premier facility in the state of Minnesota."

The award was presented by Greg Brodd of Turfco at the MPSTMA annual meeting in Minneapolis.

"The quality conditions at Noble Sport Park Complex showcases Brooklyn Park's dedication to safe and consistent playing conditions and also confirms the commitment and professionalism throughout our industry," Brodd said. "Turfco is proud to sponsor this program, and we look forward to participating in this event for many years to come."

The Field of the Year Award is given to an athletic facility that exemplifies resourcefulness of staff, budget and maintenance practices and demonstrates the ability to overcome challenges in the management of an athletic field. Condition and aesthetics of the field are also considered, as well as the

number and type of games and events held at the site.