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Albion Sports Complex Artificial Turf Project – Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant

Maple Ridge, BC: Randy Kamp, MP for Pitt Meadows – Maple Ridge – Mission was in Maple Ridge today to announce that the City of Maple Ridge was successful in receiving the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program Grant in the amount of \$500,000. This funding will be used to refurbish two gravel surface playfields at Albion Sports Complex by converting them into an artificial turf facility.

"Participation in sport and physical activity is essential to healthy living and building social connections. We are extremely grateful for the support from the Federal government through the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program in the creation of a new turf field. The addition of this field will make a significant difference to sport user groups as well as future player development for the youth in our community," said Maple Ridge Mayor Nicole Read.

The new artificial turf field will make use of the existing field lighting which will support the addition of practice and playing times for a variety of field users. The existing sports users will see this as a welcome addition to the City's current field inventory.

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