

Ms. Lachapelle,

I strongly encourage Toronto Public Health to undertake a thoroughgoing study of SBR (waste tire) infill on athletic fields in Toronto. The fact that environmental toxins (Class 2A carcinogens and endocrine disruptive chemicals) are present in this type of material should be reason enough to warrant further study of the public health threat they represent. The additional facts that in scientific studies it has been shown that the amount of these chemicals in a given sample may vary widely due to differences in source material, and that many ingredients in tires are unknown (held as trade secrets), should underscore the necessity of an investigation by TPH.

Expressed concerns of parents and public health advocates in Toronto and elsewhere should not be ignored.

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