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NJMC Allocates Funding for Shared Recreational Facilities

*Ballfields, playground will meet increased demand in Little Ferry and
South Hackensack*

LYNDHURST, N.J. – The Board of Commissioners of the New Jersey Meadowlands Commission today allocated \$150,000 to the Borough of Little Ferry to be used toward the creation of shared facilities at Losen Slote Creek Park.

The new ballfields and playground will help enhance access to active recreational areas in Little Ferry and South Hackensack.

The upgrades, designed by the NJMC Parks Department, include three new soccer fields, one baseball field, a parking area, a children’s play area and a concession building with restroom facilities.

“We are pleased to help District towns improve the quality of life of their residents,” said Robert Ceberio, Executive Director of the NJMC. “This project does just that by adding recreational opportunities for children in two District towns.”

The NJMC provided a \$350,000 grant to the Borough in early 2006. The additional funding approved today covers field costs, including the use of synthetic turf on at least one of the soccer fields. Synthetic turf fields have been shown to require less maintenance than grass fields.

The funding was provided under the NJMC’s Municipal Assistance Program, which provides property tax relief to the District’s municipalities for flood control, the purchase of public works equipment for a regional shared services program, passive and active municipal recreational facilities, police and fire equipment.

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