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Playing Conditions

New Putting Green Turf Improves Frequency of Spraying

Frequently Sprayed?

Water Quality Worries

Battery-Powered Valves Extend Irrigation Coverage

Case Study

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