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## Featured Addressing Common Concerns About Putting Green Data Collection

Many superintendents find data collection invaluable, especially when it comes to putting green management, but some still have reservations. Superintendents that commit to data collection highlight the return on investment from spending just a little extra time and effort collecting data like green speed, clipping volume, firmness and percent organic matter. So why is there still some reluctance about diving into data? We asked superintendents what was holding them back to see if we can put some of those concerns to rest.

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## Multimedia Content



### Why Do Golf Courses Aerate Putting Greens?

If there's one thing most golfers can agree on, it's their dislike for putting green aeration. However, the many benefits of aeration more than outweigh the short-term inconvenience.

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### Diving Into Data for Better Golf Course Maintenance

Data collection is an increasingly important part of course maintenance. Let's look at some of the key data points superintendents use to improve playing conditions and optimize efficiency.

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## Latest From Course Care



### Tee Options on Golf Courses: Supply, Demand and Opportunities

Do courses offer tee options that are a good fit for a range of players? Are there mismatches between the tees golfers choose and their ability? This research helps answer these questions.

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### The Many Facets of Firm Approaches

Firm approaches add a lot to the golf experience, but these conditions can be surprisingly hard to deliver because of the many different factors at play in these relatively small areas.

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## Regional Updates



### Water Summit a Resounding Success

Over 220 industry professionals representing an eclectic background joined together for a day of education and discussion on the topic of golf course water use in Southern California.

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### Times are Changing

Summer still has the Northeast in its grip, with many golf courses battling heat, humidity and no rain. If these conditions last into fall, there will be implications for turf health.

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### Successful Fairway Regrassing Starts With Proper Planning

Converting golf course fairways to an improved grass variety has many benefits, but seeding at the proper time is critical for success and often requires closing the course in late summer.

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### Setting a High Standard at the Inaugural U.S. Adaptive Open

A lot can be learned from how the maintenance team at Pinehurst No. 6 managed a busy golf course and delivered great conditions for a national championship with relatively few staff.

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