Effective Dec. 1, 2014, the Green Section regions will be realigned, reducing the current eight regions to four, to deliver better service.

The second departmental change is the promotion of Chris Hartwiger to Director, Course Consulting Service (CCS). Chris' duties will include overseeing the agronomic preparations of the other USGA championships. Darin has a wide breadth of expertise in his new role as he has been a staff agronomist in the Mid-Atlantic Region since 1996 and director of the region since 2012.

The USGA Green Section is pleased to announce the following positions:

**Northeast Region**
- **New York City**
- **Philadelphia**
- **Washington, D.C.**
- **Boston**
- **Worcester**
- **Providence**

**Mid-Atlantic Region**
- **New York**
- **New Jersey**
- **Pennsylvania**
- **Ohio**
- **Indiana**
- **Illinois**
- **Michigan**
- **Wisconsin**
- **Minnesota**

**Southwest Region**
- **Texas**
- **New Mexico**
- **Arizona**
- **San Diego**

**Northwest Region**
- **Oregon**
- **Washington**
- **Montana**
- **Maine**
- **New Hampshire**
- **Vermont**

**Promotions**

- **Regional Director**
  - Elliott Dowling, Adam Moeller, and Jim Skorulski are the agronomists available to the golf courses in the Northeast.
  - Dave Oatis will serve as the Regional Director. Keith Happ has been promoted to the new Green Section position.

- **Course Consulting Service Information**
  - To have a conversation about agronomic improvements or view updates from multiple regions as needed, you can contact your regional agronomist.

- **Course Consulting Service Information**
  - The USGA Green Section is divided into eight regions. For more information on the regions, please refer to the USGA Course Consulting Service digital brochure.

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