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### Managing Weather Impacts During USGA Championships

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Preparing golf courses to host USGA championships is challenging. For a major championship, such as the U.S. Open, logistics both inside and outside the ropes can seem overwhelming. Fan experience and television broadcast windows impact the agronomic preparation of a golf course. Most golf facilities will never host an event that has the scale and complexity of a major championship. However, lessons can be learned from championship preparation that apply to daily maintenance and the preparation for events at any course.

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