

April 13, 2021

Good Morning Victoria,

Rich Lajoie and I walked around and inspected the track in hopes that it can be used for competition this season. Unfortunately, that is not the case.

The long jump/triple jump runway is adequate. The pit needs more sand so that the sand is level with the end of the runway. The take off boards are ok for now, but will eventually need to be replaced.

The pole vault approach must be resurfaced. There are a few holes.

The high jump area is ready to go.

The shot put circle is in great shape. However, the landing area needs to be leveled. You may also consider using the circle closer to the start of the 100 meters as opposed to the 200 meters. It seems as though the throws from the 200 meter circle will be shorter, as the athletes will be throwing at a slight uphill angle.

The discus circle and cage are adequate.

The javelin area is in good shape, as long as the toe board is visible and it is roped off during practice and competition.

The track is a different matter. It needs to be entirely resurfaced. All around the track, there are several (close to 100) patches that are separating from the original track itself. There are several areas around the track that are uneven footing. There are several areas where the track is splitting horizontally. There are several small holes that will eventually become bigger. Lane 3, from the start of the 200 to the start of the 100 is separating. There are several areas that seem to have recent patches that are uneven to the surface of the track. There are also areas around the track that have yet to be compromised, but, with continued use, will be.

It is not only unsafe for competition, it is also unsafe for practice, training.

Historically, this track should have been resurfaced 2-3 times, but has never been.

All of these issues are unsafe and can lead to athletic injury.

Sincerely and respectfully
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