

## #7 TEE PROJECT

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At the Board of Directors meeting on Nov. 23, it was decided to proceed with the renovation of the White/Blue Tee on Hole #7. It was deemed an opportunity to utilize some of the excess dirt associated with the #6 Tee project and to leverage the contractor's resources currently on-site at a cost savings. As mentioned in the discussion at the MV Annual Meeting, the leveling of selected tees ranked high on the list of prospective projects as recommended by the combined Greens and Future Planning Committees. Also, in the 2004 survey by the entire membership, "tee leveling" was ranked very high on the list of preferences by the membership at that time. Consequently, \$20,000 was allocated for this purpose in 2005.

The estimated cost for completion of the #7 Tee Project is \$19,800. ~\$11,400 of the funds from the 2005 allocation will be used for this project with the remaining balance of \$8,400 coming from the Kirchner Funds. The new split tee will result in 2800 sq. ft. of level teeing area and better alignment with the existing fairway. This project will be completed (pending favorable weather) with no disruption to play as the winter tees will be utilized at the time of this project.

The term "Tee Leveling" warrants some clarification as it should really be termed "**tee reconstruction**" or "**tee renovation**". The process involves the use of a bulldozer to strip the current tee of its turf and topsoil then shaping and forming the new tee to permit a level and elevated area to allow for proper drainage. In the process, more topsoil and a combination of bent grass sod (for the new teeing area) and fescue sod (for the nearby areas) is placed. The nearby portion of the irrigation system is removed and the new sprinkler heads and lines/controls are installed. Other examples where we have used this process include the tees on #12 white and blue, #14 white/blue, #4 white/blue, #17 white/blue and more recently #2 forward, #10 forward, #16 white and #6 forward.