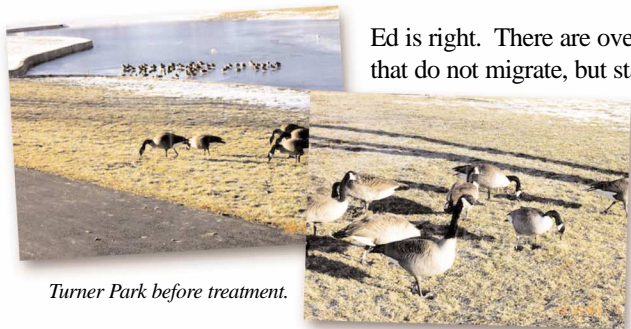


Geese find another place to “Park.”

Turner Park is a 15 acre recreational area in the Village of Roselle, Illinois in Cook County. The park has been home to two soccer fields, volleyball and basketball courts, a baseball diamond, playground, fishing opportunities—and about 80 resident Canada Geese.

“It’s gross and nasty,” exclaimed Ed Reidy, the Superintendent of Parks for the Roselle Park District. “They poop on the sidewalk, in the grass, and near our nice gazebo where we have concerts. These geese don’t migrate, they’re here all the time. They’re not afraid of people and can even be mildly aggressive at times.”



Turner Park before treatment.

Ed is right. There are over 3.5 million “resident” Canada geese in the U.S. that do not migrate, but stay year round in urban settings, choosing to feed in areas containing well manicured turf and free of natural predators.

“When people came with blankets it would be hard to find a spot to sit without getting goose poop on you,” said Reidy.

The Roselle Park district knew it was time to take action, so they decided to use FlightControl PLUS, an effective and humane Canada goose repellent. “FlightControl PLUS is effective by denying geese key feeding areas, and is cost effective for large turf areas,” says Rich Rollins, a Certified Applicator for FlightControl PLUS and owner of Aquatic Weed

Technology in Roselle. “Geese get a visual warning because they can see the compound in the ultraviolet light spectrum. They learn not to eat the grass because they get a strong, temporary gut reaction the first time they eat the treated turf.”

The park district didn’t have to worry about using FlightControl PLUS in their public areas because it only affects turf-feeding birds. The compound will not affect children, dogs, other mammals, plants or fish when used according to the label. It is also appealing to use in public places because it is invisible to humans, yet visible to geese in the ultra violet spectrum.

Four days after the first application, Rollins exclaimed, “The goose population went from about 100 pond hoppers to only one pair that had already nested at the site. But the hoppers are no longer stopping at the park!”

And that’s just fine with Ed Reidy and the guests of Turner Park. “It was a visual nuisance, a real deterrent to go to the park when there were droppings,” said Reidy. Now park visitors no longer have to pay attention to where they step.

“And this area is right beside the pond, too. I can’t believe the difference!” added Reidy.

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After treatment.



“The Roselle Park District is committed to promoting and providing responsive recreational programs that provide the opportunity for fun, fitness, and development of skills for all. We strive to maintain open space, quality parks, and facilities through sound financial principles.”

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