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I'm not sure if this is the right channel, or whether it makes any difference, but I would invite you to just watch children play on the grass at Roosevelt Park for a couple minutes, or any other park with a natural surface. Some may be digging at a bare patch, others may be looking at clover flowers or insects, in the back a few may be practicing cartwheels. Even the ones that are kicking a ball are laughing as it takes a bounce off a clump of weeds they weren't expecting.

The chemicals need to be cleaned up, and the drainage could be better, but covering the whole lot with a sheet of plastic is not the right direction.

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