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High School/Parks & Rec Softball Field of the Year

08 Designated simply as Oran Good 5, the fifth field of the Oran Good softball complex in Farmers Branch, TX, northwest of Dallas, is the Sports Turf Managers Association 2003 Softball Field of the Year.

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