

Design Project Final Summary

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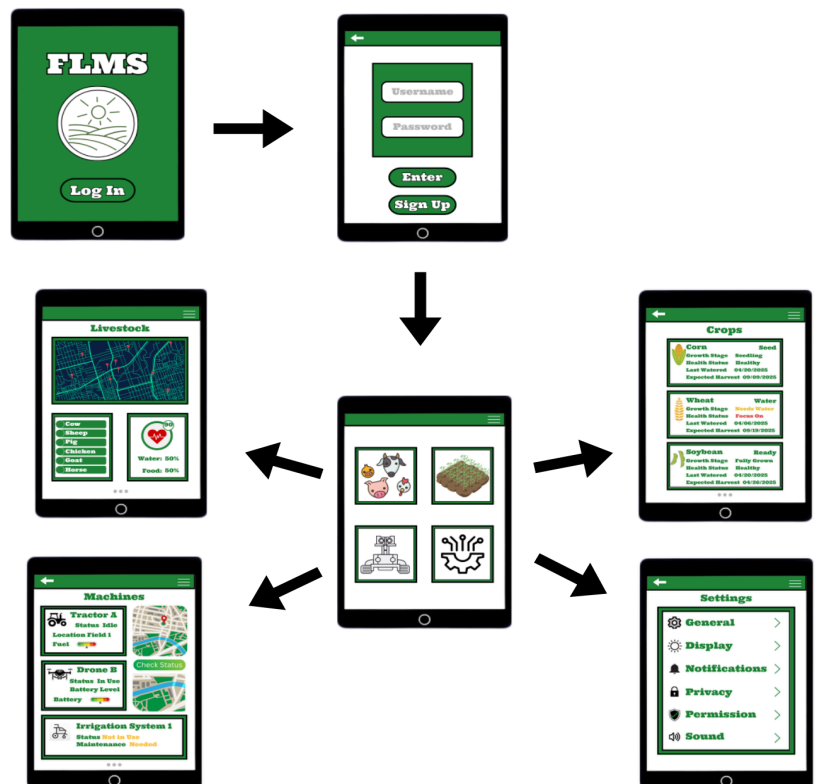
Agriculture and environmental conservation face major challenges, including labor shortages, rising costs, climate change, habitat destruction, and declining biodiversity. To address these pressing issues, this report presents Farm & Livestock Monitoring System (FLMS), a comprehensive AI-powered smart farming and ecosystem monitoring system. By integrating advanced technologies such as IoT sensors, AI-driven analytics, satellite imaging, and automation, FLMS provides farmers, conservationists, and policymakers with real-time insights and tools to enhance productivity, sustainability, and environmental protection. Many requirements have been added to the system to ensure that it is functional, performs well, dependable, long-lasting, protects user privacy, and truly reduces environmental impact.

The purpose of FLMS is to automate key agricultural and conservation tasks while empowering users to make decisions based on the data collected. Farmers will benefit from tools that make work easier, help grow more crops, and use less fertilizer and pesticide. Conservationists can monitor habitats and spot dangers like poaching with greater accuracy and speed. The system is designed to reduce manual labor by at least 30%, lower livestock mortality rates by 20%, cut pesticide and fertilizer use by 15%, and achieve a 90% accuracy rate in detecting illegal activities.

FLMS offers a wide range of features, including automated crop irrigation, livestock health monitoring, precision pesticide spraying, and environmental hazard alerts. Smart collars, IoT sensors, drones, and satellite imaging work together to provide comprehensive farm and environmental oversight. Unlike other existing products that typically focus on a single function, FLMS combines multiple critical tasks into one integrated system.

FLMS follows a modular, scalable architecture to ensure easy maintenance and future growth. Major components include sensor management, drone control, AI based analytics, user friendly dashboards, and secure cloud data storage. The system's tablet based user interface is optimized for outdoor use, offering high visibility and touch friendly controls even in harsh weather conditions.

The main users for FMLS include farmers, veterinarians, agricultural managers, conservationists, and policy makers. While the primary users are farmers and ranchers who operate the system daily, environmental specialists and policy advisors benefit from access to aggregated data reports. To ensure users are able to use FLMS with ease training and help guides will be offered.



In addition to its core features, FLMS also emphasizes security, reliability, and future growth. The system will include role based access controls, this meaning users will only see the information and tools they are allowed to use. This helps protect sensitive data such as livestock health records and crop management information. All data sent between devices and the cloud is encrypted to prevent hacking and unauthorized access.

FLMS should be designed with dependability in mind. It should continue to work even if the internet connection is lost, allowing farmers and conservationists to still monitor fields and animals during an outage. Hardware like sensors, collars, and drones should be made to survive tough outdoor conditions like rain, heat, and dust.

A major focus in the design of FLMS is to ensure that the AI models will be as accurate as possible. Since mistakes in watering crops or treating livestock could cause serious problems, the plan is to include regular updates in the system. These updates would retrain the AI models using new information, helping to improve accuracy over time as more data is collected.

Scalability is another important goal for the system. FLMS should be able to support both small farms with a few animals and large operations covering hundreds of acres. The system should allow users to easily add more devices and sensors without needing a complete redesign, making it flexible for different user needs.

The design also includes plans for a monthly reporting feature. These reports will help farmers and conservationists plan ahead by providing summaries of water usage, fertilizer application, crop yields, and incidents such as livestock illnesses or pest outbreaks. The reports will be simple and easy to understand to support better decision making.

Environmental protection is a major part of the FLMS design. The system will monitor pesticide and fertilizer usage and recommend the minimum necessary amount to reduce the risk of pollution and run off. In addition, FLMS will help conservationists by tracking wildlife movements and detecting possible illegal activities like poaching, which will help protect endangered species.

The overall project budget for FLMS is planned to be \$500 million. This includes approximately \$150 million for hardware and software such as gateways, sensors, and drones, \$50 million per year for cloud services like data storage and processing, \$250 million for development by engineers and data scientists, and a \$50 million contingency fund for unexpected expenses. Careful budget management will be important to ensure that the system is completed successfully and meets all requirements without exceeding the funding limit.

Overall, the Farm & Livestock Monitoring System (FLMS) is designed to address the major challenges in agriculture and environmental conservation, such as labor shortage, rising costs, climate change, and habitat loss. By combining IoT sensors, AI driven analytics, satellite imaging, and automation, FLMS aims to help farmers, conservationists, and policy makers make better decisions while improving sustainability. The system is planned to be dependable, long lasting, secure, and environmentally responsible. Once developed, FLMS will offer a major step forward for the future of farming and conservation, helping users manage resources more efficiently while protecting natural ecosystems for future generations.