

Feasibility Evidence Description (FED)

Farmworkers Safety Application

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1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose of the FED Document

The Feasibility Evidence Description document aims to quantify the benefits of and evaluate all aspects of the Farmworkers Safety Application project in an evidence-driven manner.

The feasibility study presented here aims to uncover the strengths and weaknesses of our proposed plan for the Farmworkers project, list opportunities and risks associated with our project, and quantify the resources required to make our project a success.

In our feasibility analysis, we are mainly concerned with establishing the technological, economic, and operational feasibility of our proposed solutions for the Farmworkers safety application. We also conduct an in-depth benefit analysis to quantify the benefits of using our system.

1.2 Status of the FED Document

This document is a revised draft of the FED document that was prepared for the FCR ARB. It now includes updated information about costs involved in the project, benefits of the project, an analysis of the return on investment from the completion/execution of the project, feasibility of the project, risk assessment, and an analysis for the selection of NDIs used in the project.

2. Business Case Analysis

Table 1: Program Model

<p>Assumptions:</p> <p>Farmers have phones and Internet connectivity; They can use their phones at work. They have nearby access to water and shade. Farmers want to improve working conditions. Contractors and farmers are obligated to provide safety for farmworkers.</p>			
<p>Stakeholders (Who?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Developer - System Administrator - Maintainer - Farmworker - Contractors - Farmers - Regulators 	<p>Initiatives (What?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop the system - Manage data and content on system. - Keep the system up and running - Setup a profile with correct phone number and accurate location - Update locations of farmworkers based on their farm assignments - Manage farmworkers through profiles and provide feedback - Set standards for farmer safety 	<p>Value Proposition (Why?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide temperature based notifications. - Educate farmers and improve their quality of life. - Improve productivity of farmworkers. - To keep the system up to date. 	<p>Beneficiaries (For Whom?)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Farmworkers - Consumers of farm products - Farmers and contractors
<p>Cost:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Development cost - Maintenance cost - COTS products: weather, and SMS API - Backend server and database 		<p>Benefit (Metrics):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decrease the number of people who suffer from heat illness. - Increase the productivity of the farms. 	

2.1 Cost Analysis

2.1.1 Personnel Costs

Table 2: Personnel Costs

Activities	Time Spent (in hours)
Valuation and Foundations Phases (CSCI 577a)	147.5
Client/Team Communications via email, phone, BaseCamp, and messaging: 4hr/wk * 12 wks * 2 people	96
Win-Win Negotiation Sessions: 2 sessions * 1 hr/session * 2 people	4
Meeting with Farmer: 1.5 hr * 1 person	1.5
Meetings with Farmers and Contractors: 8 hrs * 5 people	40
Architecture Review Boards: 1.5 hrs * 2 sessions * 2 people	6
Development and Operations Phases (CSCI 577b)	132
Client/Team Communications via email, phone, BaseCamp, and messaging: 4hr/wk * 12 wks * 2 people	96
Architecture Review Boards: 1.5 hrs * 2 sessions * 2 people	6
Core Capability Presentation: 1.5 hrs * 2 people	3

Deployment of system: 40 hrs * 3 people	120
Training of system admins and stakeholders: 3 hrs * 4 people	12
Total	384.5

2.1.2 Hardware and Software Costs

Table 3: Hardware and Software Costs

Type	Cost	Rationale
Ownership Cost	Cost of COTS + Web server	Need to deliver weather and SMS services and store data
Maintenance Cost	\$0	No foreseeable maintenance costs
Hardware	\$0	No foreseeable hardware costs
Total	Cost of COTS + Web Server	The system does not have a fixed cost. Costs are variable depending on the number of deployed farms.

We can currently forecast the cost of COTS + Web Server

Table 4: Estimated COTS Costs

Year	Number of Active Farms	SMS Costs per Year	Weather Costs per Year	Total Cost
2017	5	\$42,525	\$0	\$42,525
2018	20	\$170,100	\$0	\$170,100
2019	100	\$850,500	\$24	\$850,524
2020	400	\$3,402,000	\$96	\$3,402,096

2.2 Benefit Analysis

The main benefits of the Farmworkers Safety Application/System are the following:

- Automatically provide temperature-triggered warnings for unsafe working conditions to prevent heat-related injuries and illnesses
- Improve access to educational materials that explain how to avoid heat-illness and that promote healthier lifestyles

We measure the benefit that our system provides by accounting for (1) the number of hours that Farm or Contractor staff have to spend monitoring environmental conditions at work locations, and (2) the number of labor hours lost from inefficiency or safety incidents caused by misjudgments about farmworker safety based on incomplete or incorrect information about working conditions.

In the table below, we forecast the number of farms that will actively use our system, and we attempt to quantify the cost savings (in the form of saved time and improved health) that our system will enable for these farms.

Assumptions:

1. We estimate that an average farm employs 450 farmworkers at any given time.
2. We assume that a farmworker works **6 days a week, for 10 hours a day, for 50 weeks.** This equates to 27,000 labor hours per week per farm or 1.35 million labor hours per year per farm.
3. We assume that in one work day, for every 100 farmworkers, 2 hours are dedicated to monitoring working conditions at farms. Put another way, for every 1000 labor hours, 2

hours are dedicated to monitoring working conditions. This equates to 2,700 management hours spent on monitoring working conditions per farm per year.

4. We assume that 25% of farmworkers' efficiency will be negatively effected by poor working conditions so as to cause a 20% reduction in output on a daily basis. This would mean that work that would normally take 10 hours to complete would now take 12.5 hours (2.5 hours or 20% longer). This equates to 84,375 labor hours lost due to sub-optimal efficiency per farm per year.
5. We assume that 5% of farmworkers will suffer from poor working conditions on a daily basis so as to cause a 100% loss of efficiency. This equates to 67,500 labor hours lost due to complete loss of production per farm per year.
6. We assume that with the new system, only 30 minutes will be spent on monitoring working conditions per 1,000 labor hours. This reduction is caused by the automation of processes that our system enables and by the ease of use of our system.
7. We assume that with the new system, 10% of farmworkers will have a 20% reduction in output efficiency, and only 1% of farmworkers will have a 100% reduction in output efficiency due to heat-related illness.

Table 5: Benefits of the Farmworkers Safety System

Year	Number of Active Farms	Hours lost due to farmworker safety without new system	Hours spent on farmworker safety with new system	Time Saved (Hours/Year)
2017	5	442,125	172,125	270,000
2018	20	1,768,500	688,500	1,080,000
2019	100	8,842,500	3,442,500	5,400,000
2020	400	35,370,000	13,770,000	21,600,000
		6.55% of total labor hours per year are spent on safety issues without the system	3% of labor hours per year are spent on safety issues with the system	

Note: There are several calculations performed outside this document that lead to the numbers presented here. To see these calculations, please see the "Benefit Analysis" sheet in the "BenefitAnalysis-FED.xlsx" spreadsheet included in the DCR Package.

2.3 ROI Analysis

As there are no known financial or other measures for efforts being made to monitor working conditions or to educate farmworkers, it is not possible to calculate an ROI for our project at this time. Our team will be visiting a farm on October 29th, and we will have the opportunity to

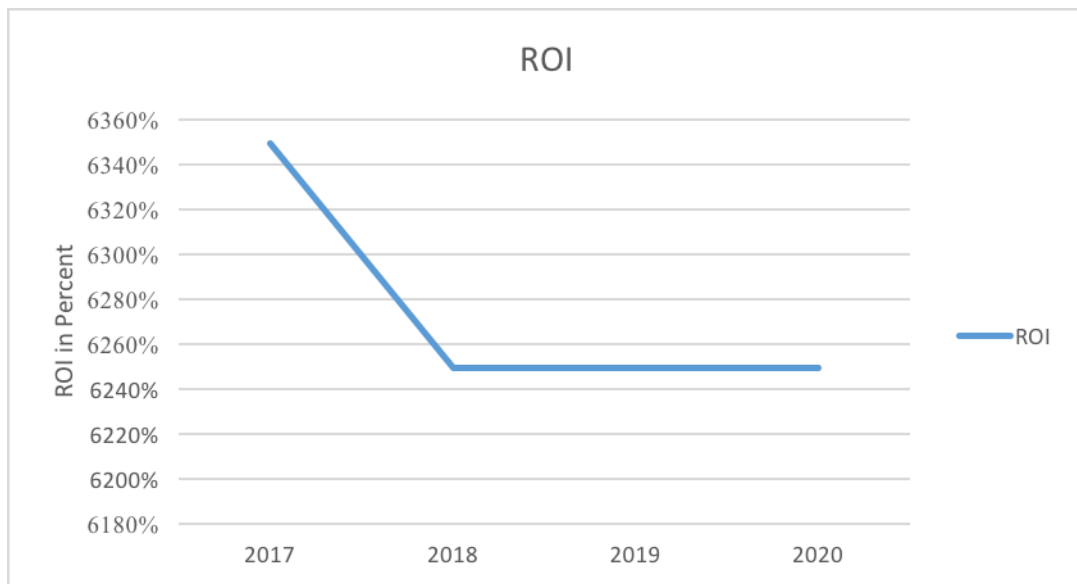
acquire information regarding the number of man-hours and resources spent in monitoring the health of farmworkers and educating farmworkers at that time.

Table 6: ROI Analysis

Year	Cost	Benefit (Assuming \$10/hr minimum wage)	Cumulative Cost	Cumulative Benefit	ROI
2017	\$45,525	\$2,700,000	\$42,525	\$2,700,000	6349%
2018	\$170,100	\$10,800,000	\$212,625	\$13,500,000	6349%
2019	\$850,524	\$54,000,000	\$1,063,149	\$67,500,000	6349%
2020	\$3,402,096	\$216,000,000	\$4,465,245	\$283,500,000	6349%

Note: There are several calculations performed outside this document that lead to the numbers presented here. To see these calculations, please see the “ROI” sheet in the “BenefitAnalysis-FED.xlsx” spreadsheet included in the DCR Package.

Figure 1: ROI Analysis Graph



3. Architecture Feasibility

3.1 Level of Service Feasibility

Table 7: Level of Service Feasibility

Level of Service Requirement	Product Satisfaction
LOS-1: The system shall be scalable to up to at least the 400,000 farmworkers in California	Product Strategies: Paid COTS are capable of handling large volumes of concurrent users
	Process Strategies: Monitor number of concurrent users and purchase premium COTS plans as required
	Analysis: Monitoring of users and purchase of COTS will allow us to proactively scale-up our system
LOS-2: The system shall have cross platform and cross system capabilities	Product Strategies: Use SMS and a Web Application for platform-independent support
	Process Strategies: Deploy new features of web application before porting for mobile applications.
	Analysis: Using a web-first strategy and deploying on multiple platforms will enable all types of users to access the service
LOS-3: The system shall not be down for more than 24 hours in a month	Product Strategies: Choose COTS and service providers that offer priority support and that have a proven record of quality
	Process Strategies: Use Sundays for preventative maintenance and deployment of new versions of application. Beta test new versions of application before public releases.
	Analysis: Performing preventative maintenance is a proven method of avoiding downtime, and selecting well-reputed COTS ensures critical components of our system remain online

3.2 Capability Feasibility

Table 8: Capability Requirements and Their Feasibility Evidence

Capability Requirement	Product Satisfaction
CR-1: Fetch weather	Software/Technology used: Weather API (darksky.net)
	Feasibility Evidence: Prototype Weather API integration
	Referred use case diagram: Use Case Diagram 2.1.5 in the SSAD document
CR-2: Send text based notifications	Software/Technology used: SMS API (Nexmo)
	Feasibility Evidence: Prototype SMS API integration
	Referred use case diagram: Use case diagram 2.1.5 in the SSAD
CR-3: Host Educational Media Content and Store User Profiles	Software/Technology used: Database
	Feasibility Evidence: Evaluate different database providers (Amazon, Google)
	Referred use case diagram: Use case diagram 2.1.5 in the SSAD

3.2 Evolutionary Feasibility

Table 9: Evolutionary Requirements and Their Feasibility Evidence

Evolutionary Requirement	Product Satisfaction
ER-1: Enable dynamic educational content	Software/Technology used: Content management system
	Feasibility Evidence: Create a a prototype that enables system administrators to upload new content and to specify where this content should be displayed

4. Process Feasibility

Table 10: Rationales for Selecting Architected Agile Model

Criteria	Importance	Project Status	Rationales
30 % of NDI/NCS features	3	3	We will use NDI/NCS features to access weather information for farms across California and to send text message notifications to farmworkers
Single NDI/NCS	1	1	We will certainly be using more than one NDI/NCS
Unique/ inflexible business process	1	1	The business processes are very flexible
Need control over upgrade / maintenance	2	2	The system should be able to be updated and upgraded in order to support more and more farmworkers
Rapid deployment	0	0	We will first develop and deploy a system on one small test farm before expanding the solution to cover farms in Southern California then in California as a whole.
Critical on compatibility	0	0	There are no compatibility issues between the selected NDIs/NCIs or with other technologies used in the project
Internet connection independence	1	1	The system will not be independent of an Internet connection. An Internet connection is required to fetch weather information and to send automated text messages to users of our system
Need high level of services / performance	3	3	It is critical that we maintain a high level of service as our system is used for ensuring the safety of thousands of laborers.
Need high security	2	2	Controlling access to our

			system is not of high priority, although maintaining the privacy of our users is crucial.
Asynchronous communication	2	2	Asynchronous communication is key to providing our service at scale. If calls for fetching weather information happen sequentially instead of in parallel, our system may suffer from high latency
Be accessed from anywhere	3	3	It is essential that our system enable high-temperature alerts for any region within California, later within the United States, and, at some point, potentially the world
Critical on mass schedule constraints	0	0	There are no schedule constraints as of yet. However, the system must be deployed as soon as possible.
Lack of personnel capability	0	0	The groups who will work on this project will be proficient in many languages and confident with a broad-range of topics in Computer Science and Software Engineering
Require little upfront costs	2	2	Our project has a limited but non-zero budget. We are authorized to select COTS that have some costs associated with them, provided that such spending is justified
Require low total cost of ownership	2	2	There is a mild cost of ownership caused by the pay-per-use of NCIs used in the project and for web-hosting
Not-so-powerful local machines	3	3	Machines used in practice will be assumed to have limited computational power, and, as such, most processing needs to take place at the server-side

5. Risk Assessment

Table 11: Risk Assessment

Risks	Risk Exposure			Risk Mitigations
	Potential Magnitude	Probability Loss	Risk Exposure	
Scope Constraint: The multifaceted requirements might evolve and change with the development of the system.	8	8	64	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prioritized win conditions and expect commitment from the clients. • Expect the client to have negotiable outlook.
Design Constraints: The app will cater to users with different language proficiency. Also, a lot of data needs to be conveyed from time to time. Thus UI design needs to be on point.	9	5	45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Test designs before deployment • Visit the farms to understand the best-practices and use conditions.
System Constraints: The lack of good data service in farms makes it difficult to accurately get the location.	7	4	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPS vs Zip Code accuracy analysis. • Analyze frequency of location change • Implement a fail-safe system
NDI/COTS Conflict: COTS/NDI might have interoperability issues. We also need to consider the cost constraints.	9	3	27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review the interoperability of different COTS • Consider COTS cost

6. NDI/NCS Interoperability Analysis

6.1 Introduction

6.1.1 COTS / GOTS / ROTS / Open Source / NCS

Table 12: NDI Products Listing

COTS	Type	Links
Laravel, ASP .NET, AngularJS	Application Framework	
C#, C++, Java	Programming Language	
Twilio, Trumpia, Nexmo, SMSGlobal	Programmatic SMS Messaging	Twilio.com trumpia.com Nexmo.com smsglobal.com
OpenWeatherMap, Weather Underground, Yahoo Weather API, DarkSky	Programmatic fetching of working conditions	openweathermap.org wunderground.com developer.yahoo.com/weather darksky.net

Table 13: Weather API Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation Criteria for Weather API	
Criteria	Weight
Update Latency	25
Has Forecast	15

Cost	30
Accepted inputs	5
Output format	10
Comments	15
Total	100

Table 14: Comparison of Weather APIs

Programmatic Fetching of Temperature Data						
Service	Update Latency	Has Forecast	Cost	Accepted inputs	Output format	Comments
OpenWeatherMap	<p><u>Free and \$40/mo:</u> < 2 hours (95% LOS)</p> <p><u>\$470/mo:</u> < 10 min (99.5% LOS)</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Includes hourly and daily</p>	<p><u>Free:</u> 60 cpm <u>\$40/month:</u> 600 cpm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • more 	<p>City name, City ID, Lat/Long, Zip Code</p>	<p>JSON, XML, or HTML</p>	<p>Open source. Created to emulate Wikipedia and OpenMaps</p>
Wunderground “Hyperlocal”	<p>15 minutes</p> <p>Includes some real time data sources</p>	<p>Yes</p> <p>Including hourly, daily (3-day and 10-day)</p>	<p><u>Free:</u> 500 cpd, 10 cpm <u>\$20/month:</u> 5,000 cpd, 100 cpm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • more 	<p>City name, Zip Code, Lati/Long, Airport Code, PWS (personal weather station) id, AutoIP address location, IP address</p>	<p>JSON or XML and GIF, PNG or SWF</p>	<p>Supports multiple languages (80+)</p>
Yahoo Weather	<p>Unknown</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>2,000 cpd</p>	<p>City Name, Zip Code</p>	<p>JSON or XML</p>	<p>Minimal documentation and complicated query structure</p>

DarkSky “Hyperlocal”	< 1 hour Includes some real time data sources	Yes Including min-by-min, hourly, daily, weekly, and monthly	1,000 cpd + 0.0001 per forecast after that = 40 cents for 5,000 cpd	Lat/Long for hyperlocal weather	JSON Has wrappers for C#, C++, Java, Javascript, and more	Recently integrated with forecast.io Supports multiple languages Tool of choice for many developers
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Table 15: Scoring of Weather APIs

Service	Update Latency	Has Forecast	Cost	Accepted inputs	Output format	Comments	Weighted Score
OpenWeatherMap	95	100	100	60	97	100	96.45
DarkSky	80	80	92	95	95	85	86.6
Wunderground “Hyperlocal”	95	95	80	100	100	90	90.5
Yahoo Weather	20	80	90	80	95	20	60.5

Table 16: SMS API Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation Criteria for SMS API	
Criteria	Weight
Incoming + Outgoing	30
Cost	25

Customer Support	20
Documentation	10
Comments	15
Total	100

Table 17: Comparison of SMS APIs

Programmatic SMS Messaging				
Service	Send + Receive	Cost	24/7 Support	Comments
Twilio	Yes	\$1/mo for #, \$0.0075 per SMS (charges for inbound & outbound) \$1 = 133 texts	Yes with purchasable plans No guaranteed response time for free Plans from \$500- \$5000	Used by companies like Uber, Cocacola, and Nordstrom
Trumpia	Yes	Setup costs / monthly costs \$0.008 per outgoing SMS if pre-pay for 100k texts \$0.007 per outgoing text if pre-pay for 1m texts \$1 = 125-143 texts	Yes Free plan response within 4 <i>business</i> hours Premium plan response within 2 <i>business</i> hours	Used by various large companies, including Amazon, LinkedIn, Microsoft, eBay, Cocacola, Google, and more

Nexmo	Yes	\$0.75/mo for #, \$0.0063 per outgoing SMS \$1 = 159 texts	Yes 2h - 6h guaranteed response time for free 1 support plan for \$5000	Owned by Vonage Used by Alibaba and predominantly other European and Asian companies
SMSGlobal	No details	\$0.03 - \$0.045 per SMS \$1 = 22-33 texts	No mention	Used by Microsoft, Budget, Samsung, and IBM Website has significant issues

Table 18: Scoring of SMS APIs

Service	Incoming + Outgoing	Cost	Customer Support	Documentation	Comments	Weighted Score
Twilio	75	80	60	95	90	120
Trumpia	100	85	80	75	90	129
Nexmo	100	100	70	80	90	132
SMSGlobal	0	40	0	40	90	51

6.1.2 Connectors

The Farmworker Safety System will use a MS SQL database to store information critical for the application’s correct functioning. As such, our application will use a C# ASP.NET / MS SQL connector to fetch information from our SQL database and deliver weather information via SMS to our users. Additionally, it will use the C# ASP.NET / MS SQL connector to deliver educational content to the web application for educational videos and quizzes.

6.1.3 Legacy System

There are no existing legacy systems. However, some farms have their own weather stations which provide highly accurate information about environmental conditions for the benefit of the crops – not necessarily for monitoring the working conditions of farmworkers. In the future, we could develop a process by which to integrate these local weather stations into our system.

6.2 Evaluation Summary

Table 19: NDI Evaluation

NDI	Usages	Comments
Azure	Web Server	<p>Positive Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High level of service - Easily scalable - Relatively low cost - Reliable support - Up-to-date technology <p>Negative Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not free – contributes to overhead of offering service - Deployment requires knowledge of AWS - Initial setup requires significant time commitment
MS SQL Server 2014	Database	<p>Positive Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Well-tested - Internal optimization of queries using relational algebra to ensure fastest-possible results - Well-suited to our system, which has an unchanging structure of relationships between classes - Supports transactions to ensure data consistency - Widely available support

		<p>Negative Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hard to make changes to our schema once system is live - Requires significant system architecting, instead of allowing for instant, rapid development - Requires multiple phases of testing
ASP.NET	Web Application Framework	<p>Positive Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scalable - Lots of documentation and large support community - Robust - Reliable - Supports MVC framework <p>Negative Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not the most popular framework - Uses the C# programming language, which is not so widely known
Bootstrap	CSS Framework	<p>Positive Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Free - Allows for aesthetically-pleasing UI with minimal effort - Well-understood - Widely-used - Support for advanced UI elements (navbars, tables, forms) - Enables responsive layout (good for developing mobile views) <p>Negative Points</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Susceptible to change (though not likely to break website or code)