



## How Smart Agriculture Transforms Farm Management: Veeva Drives Innovation at Cyr Farms

The demand for food production continues to rise amidst challenges such as limited resources, climate change, and labor shortages. Smart farming is essential to modern agriculture as traditional methods often lack the precision needed to maximize yields sustainably.

Without smart farming, the result is wasted water, energy, and materials.

By adopting smart agriculture technologies — such as IoT-connected sensors, real-time data monitoring, and automated systems — farmer owners gain detailed insights into crop health, soil conditions, and weather patterns.

### Challenges of Smart Agriculture Implementation

Smart farming brings greater resilience to agricultural systems and paves the way for a more efficient, sustainable approach to food production that benefits the environment while focusing on farm profitability.

Current challenges to implementation include:



Limited access to advanced technology in remote or rural areas



Increasing demand for sustainable and eco-friendly farming practices



Soil degradation and water scarcity issues



Need for real-time data and analytics in farming decisions



Variability in climate conditions affecting crop yields



High operational costs and resource inefficiency



Challenges in managing large-scale farms effectively



Dependency on traditional farming methods limiting productivity



Balancing profitability with environmental responsibility



Adapting to rapidly changing market demands and consumer preferences



Veeva's focus is on harnessing technology to overcome these hurdles, ensuring that farmers are equipped to meet the demands of a rapidly growing world.



### Partners

- Mainstream Fiber
- Microclimates
- AmeriCrew

### Project Overview

- **Customer:**  
Cyr Farms, Indiana
- **Solution:**  
Veeva Wi-Fi Connectivity & LoRaWAN
- **Outcomes:**
  - 20%-plus improvement in crop yields<sup>1</sup>
  - 30% reduction in energy consumption<sup>2</sup>
  - 40% reduction in water usage, with mitigated flooding risk<sup>3</sup>

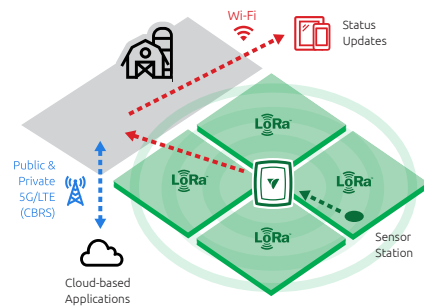
## Cyr Farms' Smart Approach: The What & How

Veea is the first-to-market pioneer in hyperconverged multiaccess platform products for edge-cloud computing and communications. When deploying its Climate Smart Agriculture solutions at Cyr Farms in Benton County, Indiana, Veea partnered with Mainstream Fiber Networks, Microclimates, and AmeriCrew.

The Old Way	The New Way	The Benefits
 Static data collection and reactive crop management	 Edge-based real-time data collection and processing	 Providing predictive analytics and prescriptive intelligence
 Micromanagement of different applications & platforms	 Single pane of glass across disparate end-points and platforms.	 Simplified deployments and management
 Siloed focus that does not address digital inclusion	 Ease of Access Connectivity First approach which maximizes adoption and utilization	 Community benefits through broadband equity and inclusion (tele-health, remote learning, etc.)
 Static and centralized data analytics	 Edge-based actionable data collection	 Real-time decision making and data processing
 Reliance on passive and historical indicators to manage farms	 Bringing Industry 4.0 to the farm edge	 Using technology to increase yields and productivity
The Past	Today	Future

### The use cases implemented are:

- High-speed Wi-Fi network and long-range wide-area network (LoRaWAN) across the outdoor workspace and farming fields.
- Grain elevator and bin monitor and control to monitor energy consumption, CO<sub>2</sub>, temperature and humidity, and fill and volume level of each of four bins.
- Soil, weather and land monitoring including soil moisture, temperature and pH, and weather station data.



Mainstream Fiber provides the high-speed, reliable broadband network necessary to implement and access Veea's infrastructure. Their connectivity solution ensures that Cyr Farms has the capacity to run real-time monitoring and control systems.

The dashboard solution from Microclimates is designed to provide a universal control system that automates the different climate control, soil information and irrigation systems, thus reducing costs, maximizing efficiency and increasing crop value — all of which are essential for staying competitive.

The Veea Edge platform seamlessly supports the Microclimates environmental automation solution. Leveraging the enterprise-level computing and connectivity capabilities of VeeaHubs, this combination provides a comprehensive and reliable solution for indoor farming automation.

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