EE 492 Weekly Report (DEC15-19)

Week 6

Project Title: Efficient Measurement of Soil Microtopography to Aid the Verification of European Space Agency and NASA Satellite Observations of Soil Moisture

Advisors: Brian Hornbuckle, ISU Agronomy and ECpE; Josh Bertram, Collaborator Instructor

Client: Brian Hornbuckle, ISU Agronomy and ECpE

Members (roles): Brant Walsh (Key concept Holder, Team communication leader), Dillon McDowell (Team Webmaster), Yan Yao Chan (Team Leader)

Weekly Summary

Each group member completed their respective research tasks such as possible new embedded board, processing software and power sources for the system.

Meeting notes:

10/01 Group Meeting with Dr. Hornbuckle

Duration: 50 minutes

Members Present: All

Purpose and Goals: To discuss what each group member found that can be useful to the senior design project.

Achievements: The group discussed what each group member found respectively to the advisor and each group member is to submit what they found to the client as necessary.

Pending issues

The power supply aspect has yet to be determined so far. As of now the team has decided to try modifying existing power adapter to see if building a custom power supply is feasible.

Plans for next week

To decide on what power source to be used for the project and to start working on hardware implementation once the ordered embedded board arrives.

Individual Contributions for this week

Brant Walsh (1 hour) – Attended the meeting with Dr. Hornbuckle. Researched and placed an order on embedded board to be used for the project.

Dillon McDowell (5 hours 50 minutes) – Attended the meeting with Dr. Hornbuckle. Researched on Mono the C# compiler and possible MATLAB implementation.

Yan Yao Chan (1 hour 50 minutes) – Attended the meeting with Dr. Hornbuckle. Researched on possible power sources for the project and completed the weekly report.

Total contributions for the project

Brant Walsh (6 hours 55 minutes) Dillon McDowell (11 hours 20 minutes) Yan Yao Chan (9 hours 35 minutes)