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How to use the .exe and get Ubidots CLS sensor data for UNL delivery

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The ubidots_python_api_test_HTTP.exe file was created for easy data delivery to University of Lincoln-Nebraska (UNL) collaborators for piping data from the Colorado State University (CSU) Agricultural Water Quality Program (AWQP) cercospora leaf spot (CLS) sensors to the UNL-based, CLS website dashboard (PHREC) that calculates daily infection values (DIVs) for Western Sugar (WS) agriculturalists and sugar beet producers.

This document describes the procedure for obtaining the necessary data from CSU AWQP CLS sensors, and delivering it to UNL collaborators for display on the PHREC dashboard. It is intended for CSU and WS employees involved in this collaborative effort.

Step 1: Use Survey123 to obtain GPS data

CSU uses the ESRI platform, Survey123, to collect GPS data from WS agriculturalists when a CLS sensor is deployed. Login to Survey123 using CSU credentials at this link that goes directly to the CLS data page.

Username: agwaterquality_CSUrams

Password: Waterlab005

Click on each survey entry to view the gps location and record the lat/long values.

Step 2: Add GPS data to Ubidots for each sensor

The GPS data then need to be added to each sensor individually on the CSU Ubidots platform. Login to it here and use the following credentials:

Username: csuwaterqualitygroup Password: Waterqualitylab005

Use the Ubidots search bar to find each sensor and click on it to open their details. On the left side of the sensor page, you will find a "Location" section that has three categories, "Mode", "Latitude", and "Longitude". Ensure that "Mode" is set to "Manual", then copy and paste the correct lat/long values recorded in step one for each sensor.

Step 3: Run ubidots_python_api_test_HTTP.exe

The .exe file was built in python to webscrape the CLS device information that is needed for UNL collaborators to add each device to the PHREC dashboard. The .exe will only work on Windows PC operating systems (i.e., not Mac or Linux).

Run the .exe file by double clicking it. A command prompt window should open. It may take up to 1 minute to load, but then you can press enter, and the window should prompt the user:

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Please enter your API token:

The AWQP Ubidots API token is: BBFF-4ItEJK0VKKRz1NhGx4i96ozHVeS5Tl

Copy/paste this into the prompt and press Enter. The command prompt will then output a lot of text (i.e., it shows each sensor that it's trying to reach). The command window will close when complete. A new .CSV file will be found in the same directory as where the .exe file is stored. This CSV file, usually named something like unl_export_20240719_101718.csv contains the necessary columns to send to UNL.

All sensors are listed, so select the ones that need to be to delivered to unl and combine them into their own table:

| Name | rh | t | Latitude | Longitude |
|----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| WS27-XLU | 65d6457c7a715d000bf94dc0 | 65d6457d7a715d000c7d068c | 39.962214 | -102.29798 |
| WS25-F2W | 65d644066eb306000dee50f9 | 65d644067a7226000bcdb493 | 40.088832 | -104.418673 |
| WS19-ECW | 65c3c37648bb6b000e4e9979 | 65c3c377e858cb000eb4367a | 40.290692 | -104.523564 |
| WS48-ABS | 6644f0dd573ffb000ce2b97f | 6644f0ddb921b4000b90b85d | 40.790072 | -105.072431 |
| WS26-5KL | 65d644ba5ee5f8000c3ec157 | 65d644bb7a7226000c15eb7f | 40.130597 | -105.031846 |

Step 4: Select desired sensor data and email to UNL

The last step is to email the consolidated table to UNL. As of 19 July 2024, the UNL contacts are Xin Qiao (xin.qiao@unl.edu) and Wei-Zhen Liang (wei-zhen.liang@unl.edu)

Copy/paste your consolidated sensor data table and email it to both Xin and Wei-Zhen. It is also courteous to cc any relevant WS agriculturalists on the email to let them know that their deployed sensors will be online soon.

Questions?

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