

# Commuter Tracking Sensor Network

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## Updated Milestone Chart

<b>Milestone</b>	<b>Team Member in Charge</b>	<b>Modified Completion Date</b>	<b>Original Completion Date</b>	<b>Comments</b>
5.1 Install software (Django, Apache, etc.)	Seth	6/21/2014	6/17/2014	COMPLETE Apache, Django, MariaDB are installed and ready to go.
6.1 Disable root login test	Seth	6/21/2014	6/16/2014	COMPLETE Done automatically when Raspbian was updated
6.2 Set the SSH port to a non-standard port test	Seth	6/21/2014	6/17/2014	COMPLETE SSH Port is set to 1315, not the default port of 22
7.1 Begin playing with Pixy Cam in USB tethered mode	Jared, Alex, Seth	7/11/2014	5/1/2014	COMPLETE We've all experimented and interfaced with the PixyCam now, and familiarized ourselves with its basic operation.
5.3 Install and configure fail2ban	Seth	9/1/2014	6/21/2014	COMPLETE
6.3 Disable password login test - must log in with SSH key	Alex, Jared, Seth	9/5/2014	6/21/2014	COMPLETE SSH Keys are required to login to the server via SSH
12.1 Create status webpage, hosted somewhere else	Seth	9/5/2014	9/5/2014	COMPLETE Status webpage that pings the gateway is functional. Its currently hosted on one of Seth's pis, located at <a href="http://people.rit.edu/~srh7240/cts_n_status">http://people.rit.edu/~srh7240/cts_n_status</a> .

10.1 Code Review for Pixy Software	Alex, Seth, Jared	9/8/2014	9/8/2014	COMPLETE Code review was completed. Information was documented regarding each file's contents.
<b>11. Database Creation</b>		9/23/2014	9/14/2014	
11.1 Create mysql or mariadb database so data from trail can be saved to it	Seth	9/23/2014	9/5/2014	Done for now. There will probably need to be some work done once the nodes need to save data to the database.
12.3 Link website to database	Seth	9/23/2014	9/21/2014	Done for now. There will probably need to be some work done once the nodes need to save data to the database.
<b>12. Website Creation</b>		9/26/2014	9/28/2014	Front end is complete, but there may need to be some work done on the backend down-the-road when nodes need to send data to the database
12.2 Create web front end	Seth, Alex	9/26/2014	9/14/2014	Front end is complete. There may need to be some backend work down the road when the nodes need to save data to the database.
16.2 Activate website	Team	9/27/2014	11/9/2014	Complete. Website is located at <a href="http://ctsn.student.rit.edu:1415">http://ctsn.student.rit.edu:1415</a> (login required)
<b>3. Windbelt power module design</b>		10/2/2014	6/18/2014	
<b>5. Server/Gateway setup</b>	Seth	10/6/2014	7/1/2014	The server is a Raspberry Pi located at <a href="http://ctsn.student.rit.edu">ctsn.student.rit.edu</a> .
2.1 Configure XBees for DigiMesh and have them	Seth, Jared	10/10/2014	6/1/2014	Awaiting antenna order to complete this task. Configuration should be fairly quick upon arrival of the order.

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8.1 Use CAD tools to design sensor enclosure	Jared	10/10/2014	7/1/2014	This can continue with the maximum values for board size taken into account, which is 4 x 3.2 inches. We will most likely need this size board to fit all of the resistor configurations for the boost converters, along with other peripherals.
7.2 Interface Pixy Cam with an XBee	Jared, Alex	10/10/2014	6/22/2014	Antennas are ordered. They should be here this week.
3.4 Spice Transient Analysis	Alex, Jared	10/11/2014	9/22/2014	Extending analysis process to cover secondary boost converter with MPPT disabled, and different undervoltage and overvoltage resistor networks. We are looking for 6-10V or 5V to power the CMUCam. The XBee requires 3-3.3V, so we will need to do transient analysis on one of TI's step-down regulators.
<b>13. Website Testing (See Gantt Chart)</b>	Team	10/12/2014	10/4/2014	Almost done, just need the security majors to see if there is anything unsafe about the site. They won't be able to get to it until next Sunday
3.1 Breadboard prototyping	Alex, Jared	10/12/2014	6/1/2014	Cad work for the stencil is complete, and Jared is currently making them. The next step is to apply solder paste, the QFN chip, and use Nick Conn's oven to bake the board.
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3.2 PCB design	Alex	10/12/2014	6/10/2014	Prior to continuing with PCB design, breadboard prototyping should be completed. Awaiting QFN to DIP converter for this.
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<b>2. Networking Architecture Configuration and Testing</b>		10/13/2014	6/15/2014	Soldered the xbee usb programmer and downloaded the program that will help program the XBees.
2.3 Small-scale trail deployment	Seth, Jared	10/13/2014	6/15/2014	
2.2 Range Test	Seth, Jared	10/14/2014	6/9/2014	Waiting for antennas to arrive to complete this task.
14.1 Sensors communicate target data with each other	Seth, Alex	10/14/2014	10/4/2014	
5.2 Interface XBee with Pi	Seth	10/15/2014	7/1/2014	New antennas are ordered. Awaiting arrival of order, so date must be pushed back
10.3 Train camera for identifying walkers, bikers, and horses	Seth	10/15/2014	8/1/2014	Algorithms researched and added to project database. Continuing research. Jared will be moving to assist with hardware, and Seth will continue with this after finishing the website (hence the date change).
8.2 Use 3D printer to print the enclosures	Jared	10/15/2014	7/15/2014	8.1 Must be done first

3.3 Ship design for stamping	Alex	10/17/2014	6/18/2014	3.2 Must be completed first
4.1 Solder on components	Alex	10/20/2014	6/29/2014	3.3 Must be completed first
<b>4. Windbelt power module construction and testing</b>		10/22/2014	6/30/2014	
4.2 Continuity tests	Alex	10/22/2014	6/30/2014	4.1 Must be completed first
<b>8. Sensor Enclosure Design / Testing</b>		10/22/2014	8/7/2014	
8.3 Test (See Gantt Chart)	Jared	10/22/2014	8/7/2014	Dependent on 8.2
<b>10. Sensor Software - Identify targets</b>		10/24/2014	9/1/2014	
10.4 Train camera to figure out what direction the target is going	Jared	10/24/2014	9/1/2014	10.3 Must be done first
<b>1. Contact Monroe County Discuss deployment options for sensor nodes.</b>	Jared	10/28/2014	10/27/2014	Not a priority until we complete more of the technical requirements.
<b>14. Target Data Communication</b>		10/28/2014	10/5/2014	
14.2 Sensors can communicate and write target data to database	Seth	10/28/2014	10/5/2014	

6.5 Ping disabled test	Seth, Security Majors	10/31/2014	6/21/2014	DEFERRED While the server is on the RIT campus, this is completed since outsiders can not ping rit.edu. If the server moves off campus for whatever reason, this will need to be revisited
10.2 Compile GCC version of Pixy software and note differences	Seth	10/31/2014	9/8/2014	DEFERRED According to the pixy cam developers, GCC version is not ready to use yet. That's fine though, we can use Keil instead.
<b>7. Sensor hardware testing and integration</b>		10/31/2014	7/11/2014	
7.3 Integrate with existing power module	Jared, Alex	10/31/2014	7/11/2014	Will be done upon completion of the power module.
<b>15. Computer Vision Testing (See Gantt Chart)</b>	Alex, Seth	11/1/2014	10/28/2014	
<b>9. Windbelt Testing (See Gantt Chart)</b>	Alex	11/5/2014	5/27/2014	Beaglebone is ready for data acquisition using ADC, and sending test data to the database. Outdoor testing will begin early this week. MariaDB is also being configured for a larger timeout to allow for the Beaglebone to transmit data for extended period of time.
17.1 Advanced II integration testing with focus on single node in controlled environment	Team	11/5/2014		

17.2 Advanced II integration testing with focus on single node in an outdoor environment	Team	11/10/2014		
<b>17.Integration Testing</b>		11/13/2014		
17.3 Advanced II testing with focus on operation in outdoor environment for multiple nodes	Team	11/13/2014		
<b>16. Deployment</b>		11/17/2014	11/9/2014	
16.1 Deploy nodes on trail	Team	11/17/2014	11/5/2014	

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## Status

### Difficulties

Getting the BeagleBone to connect to the RIT wireless via the command line is very difficult to do. We are re-attempting to do so with a Wi-Fi adapter that is known to work for the distribution we are currently running on the BeagleBone. In order to eliminate the possibility that the Wi-Fi dongle is underpowered, an external hub will be used to provide power to it.

### Surprises

If an open connection to MariaDB is not used for a period of time, MariaDB will automatically close it. This will mean some rework is needed in some areas, since it was (incorrectly) assumed that the connection will remain open indefinitely.

The ADC on the BeagleBone is surprisingly easy to use. The user need only connect the ADC to one of the available hardware slots via shell, and then ping the open port using an executable.

### Successes

We are able to take measurements from the windbelt from the ADC on the BeagleBone and send the data to the database for analysis.

Research is progressing on CV algorithms. Jared has narrowed down results dependent on project needs.

### Open Questions & Problems

More research must be done to figure out which step-down converter to use with the 3.7V battery prior to plugging in the XBee devices. This will most likely be done this week, keeping in mind that we wish to use a TI device to be able to enter the design competition.

# Gantt Chart

