Water. You can't grow without it.



Global Population Growth



Source: United Nations, World Population Prospects 2010 Revision



Worldwide Population Growth Requires More Food, Feed and Fuel



the world **population** will require **IVV** 7(more **food**,¹ and

of this food must come from efficiency-improving **technology**²

Source: Simmons (2009)



The Water Opportunity

Macro-economic trends:

- Population Growth
- Changing Diets
- Supply/Demand Imbalance
- Climate Variability/Change
- Biofuels
- Subsidies

Water Debate:

- Competing uses of water
- Water rights and policy
- Pricing issues
- Conservation vs. increased supply
- Environmental
- Control of resource

Opportunity





Agricultural Irrigation



Global Freshwater Withdrawals

Irrigated agriculture accounts for 18% of all agricultural land and 40% of all food production



Water Management Headlines

Drought

U.S. Drought 2012: Half Of Nation's Counties Now Considered Disaster Areas

By JIM SUHR 08/01/12 10:16 PM ET AP



Genetic Traits

Farmers turn to engineered corn to adapt to drought. But will it be enough?

Posted by Brad Plumer on August 15, 2012 at 8:40 am

Environmental Impact

Farming: Wasteful water use

Excessive water use for agriculture is leaving rivers, lakes and underground water sources dry in many irrigated areas.

Drought-Tolerant Corn Efforts Show Positive Early Results

Types of genetically modified corn could offer modest protection for drought tolerance and might help individual farmers recoup yield losses in drought conditions By Tiffany Stecker and ClimateWire

Westlands Water District facing imminent water shutdown

Idaho trout left high and dry by irrigation ditches

ROCKY BARKER Idaho Statesman



Impact of Water on Field Variability

Key factors of field variability

- Water -too little or too much
- Nitrogen
- Crop establishment
- Hybrid or variety
- Seed rate
- Soil fertility



Corn Yield

Minimum to 80.00
80.00 to 120.00
120.00 to 150.00
150.00 to 180.00
180.00 to 200.00
200.00 to 220.00
220.00 to Maximum





Water Management Investment Areas

Drainage

- Tiling
- Land Leveling
- Waterways

Irrigation

- Drip/Micro
- Mechanized
- Gravity

Management

- Soil Moisture monitoring
- Environmental monitoring
- Remote management



"How much drainage is yet to be done?"

Percent Cropped by County

Percent Drained by County



Jaynes, D. B. and D. E. James. (2004) "The Extent of Farm Drainage in the United States," Available at: http://www.ars.usda.gov/SP2UserFiles/Place/36251500/TheExtentofFarmDrainageintheUnitedStates.pdf



Red River Valley, MN

No tile

Tile

No tile

Growth of Mechanized Irrigation and VRI Technology









Expansion of Drip Micro Technology



- GPS Installation and Management
- Expansion in broad acre crops
- Difficult fields
- Fertigation/chemigation





John Deere Field Connect – Making Sense out of Soil Moisture Monitoring





Field Connect Product Line and Technology

Field Components





Web Application

Data Collection - Graph Types

Field Connect graphs soil moisture readings both at individual sensor levels and over the monitored profile.

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Quantify the Customer Value

2010 QTV Results*	
Avg. Energy Cost Savings	\$11.35 per Acre
Avg. Increase in Yield	5.5 Bushels per Acre
Avg. Additional Yield Income	\$25.00 per Acre
Avg. Net Profit Increase	\$36.35 per Acre

Additional Savings

Avg. Amount of Pumped	2 acre inches per Pivot
Water Saved	

*Fontanelle Hybrids 2010 Aqua ViewSM

