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## Prototype: "The Pooper Picker Upper"

Client: Davis Farms, Sioux City, Iowa

#### **Problem Statement**

- Design, manufacture and implement a prototype that improves the cleanliness of the chicken coop, while making the process effective and more time efficient.
- Reduce strain on the client by incorporating ergonomic driven design elements.

#### Objective

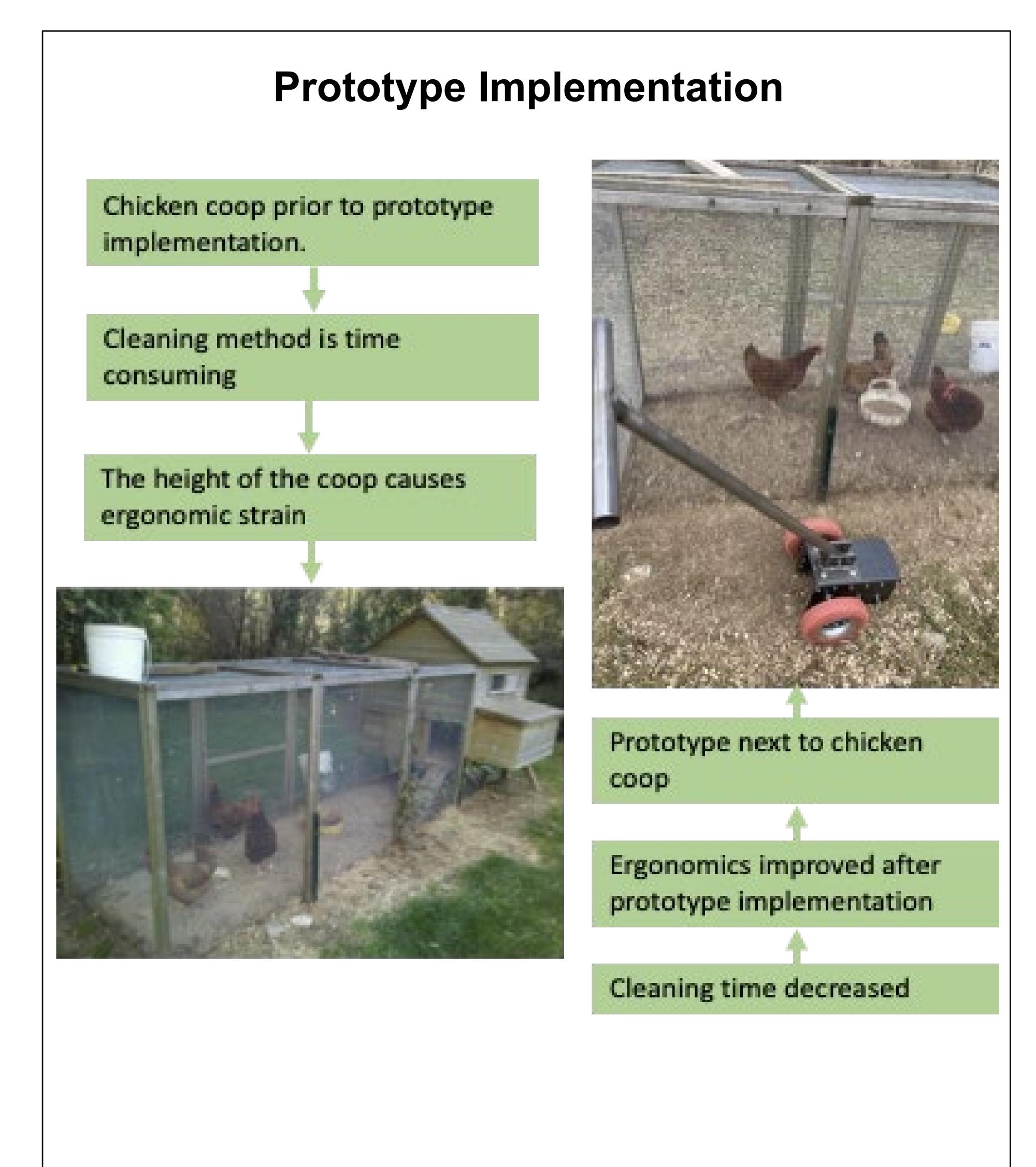
- Reduce the cleaning time below 45 min.
- Improve ergonomics.
- Create a prototype that effectively and efficiently improves the chicken coop cleaning process.

#### Constraints

- \$500 budget to produce product.
- Project Completion by 03/14/2021.
- Steel internals, aluminum as cover.

#### Scope

- Designing and manufacturing of prototype.
- Data logs involving chicken coop
- Quantifiable change seen in cleaning time and ergonomics.
- Improved chicken living conditions is a by-product of this project



### Methods/Approach

- Designing, manufacturing, and testing the prototype.
- Solid works will be used to design the prototype.
- The prototype will be tested for improvement in the cleanliness of the coop, time, and ergonomics.

#### Major Deliverables

- 20% reduction of time to clean coop
- Reduced strain on client
- Substantial change in cleanliness
- Prototype is:
- Durable
- Effective
- Efficient
- Affordable price range

#### Results

- Results were consistent with our wanted deliverables.
- The time data log showed a 33% improvement (12.5 average minute decrease).
- The ergonomics survey log showed an average 2 rating improvement with post implementation.

#### Recommendations

- permanently implementing our prototype into their chicken coop cleaning process
- possibly incorporating other ergonomic improvements into his lifestyle.

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