Meet the Newest Member of the CIRAS Team: Eric Forsythe

The Center for Industrial Research and Service (CIRAS) is pleased to announce the addition of Eric Forsythe as its new Manager of Automation and Controls. Eric will primarily work in the Cedar Rapids/Marion area, with a focus on implementing automation and controls projects and demonstrating industrial scale automation and maintaining automation systems. With a background in Lean implementation by working with industrial scale automation, Eric has gained experience managing and facilitating teams. Over his career, Eric has managed and maintained automation systems, adding to the CIRAS team’s resources and bringing a wealth of industry knowledge to the state.

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