System Architecture Overview

This page defines the **AOFS system architecture**, including all layers, their responsibilities, interactions, and data flows. It establishes **authority boundaries**, **offline operation rules**, and **federation/synchronization requirements** for AOFS controllers.

All AOFS-compliant systems **must conform** to the rules specified here.

1. Architecture Layers

AOFS defines three core layers:

- Field Controller Layer
- Farm Controller Layer (Local / Federated)
- HQ / Federated Controller Layer

All controller layers **expose a human interface appropriate to their authority and audience**, while **never bypassing Field Controller safety rules**.

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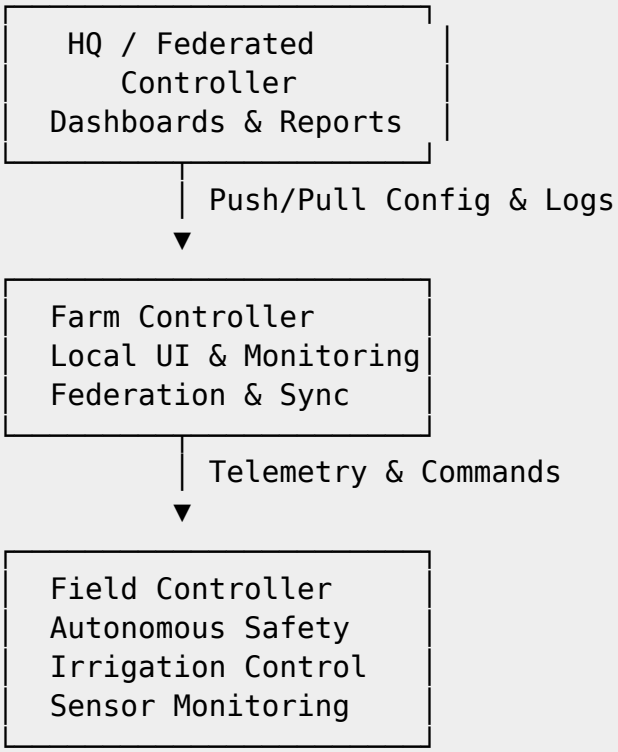
2. Authority & Data Flow Diagram



Legend:

- **Field Controller:** authoritative for safety-critical irrigation. - **Farm Controller:** local supervision, configuration, and federation; respects Field Controller authority. - **HQ Controller:** multi-farm oversight, reporting, analytics; may propose updates but cannot override Field Controller safety logic.

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3. Controller Responsibilities

Layer	Primary Role	Human Interface	Connectivity	Authority
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Field Controller	Execute irrigation & safety	Embedded UI for monitoring / non-critical overrides	None (offline)	Authoritative locally
Farm Controller	Local supervision & federation	Full UI: monitoring, configuration	Optional (for federation)	Supervisory (non-critical only)
HQ Controller	Multi-farm oversight & analytics	Dashboards, reporting, config proposals	Required for federation	Supervisory (proposals only)

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4. Federation / Sync Model

* **Push/Pull:** Farm Controllers sync with HQ and/or peer farms. * **Conflict Resolution:**

1. Timestamp precedence
2. Operator approval for schedule/config conflicts
3. Field Controller safety rules **always take priority**

* **Offline First:**

1. Controllers continue autonomous operation if disconnected
2. Logs and changes queue for synchronization once connectivity is restored

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5. Human Interface Rules

* All controllers expose interfaces appropriate to their role:

1. Field Controller: embedded status UI, safety alerts, non-critical operator overrides
2. Farm Controller: full local UI for monitoring, configuration, and federation
3. HQ Controller: multi-farm dashboards, analytics, authorized configuration proposals

* No interface may bypass Field Controller safety rules.

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6. Compliance Notes

* AOFS-compliant deployments **must implement all three layers** as defined. * Field Controller safety rules **cannot be overridden** by higher layers. * All push/pull, configuration changes, and operator actions **must be logged**. * Offline operation **must not compromise irrigation or safety**. * Failure to respect authority boundaries **invalidates AOFS compliance**.

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7. References

* Field Controller Layer * Farm Controller Layer (Local / Federated) * HQ / Federated Controller Layer * Hydraulic & Water Systems * Electrical & Control Interfaces * Measuring, Monitoring & Documentation Systems