Minidoka School District covers eleven schools in the Minidoka region in Eastern Idaho.

The district recently embarked on a project to replace its outdated HVAC controls with a wireless, cloud-based solution that would give it better access and control over its facilities.

It had a fragmented system of controls across different schools and was looking for a solution that would enable it to unify all its schools under one platform. It also had various outbuildings across many of its schools which it needed to get access to, and Pelican’s wireless mesh network proved to be the most effective and economical way of doing so.

Maintenance Supervisor Patrick Swigert started out using Pelican by installing a TS200 thermostat in his office, to become familiar with it. After realizing how straightforward it was to use, he implemented the Pelican system at Paul Elementary in the nearby city of Paul.

“I’m loving using Pelican - I can access everything on my phone, and it was really easy to install. We’re looking forward to rolling it out across more of our schools,” Swigert said.

As the district replaces many of its lighting systems with more energy efficient lights in the coming months, Swigert is also looking forward to using the Pelican Web App’s usage graphs to track the energy savings he expects to achieve.

With more schools yet to be installed with Pelican, Minidoka is set to transform how it runs its facilities, and everyone - staff, teachers and students included, will benefit.