

ACI Implementation to Enhance Network Architecture

Services Provided

- Discovery & Design
- Development
- Deployment & User Acceptance

Business Outcomes

As a result, the customer achieved the following:

- Successful design, plan, and implementation of ACI MultiPod/Multisite across three data centers
- Enhanced network architecture with improved scalability and reliability
- Comprehensive documentation and knowledge transfer to the customer's team for ongoing management and future expansion

Certifications



Background

The customer is the part of the US Farm Credit System, serves as a wholesale lender and business service provider to a network of local farm credit associations, wanted to enhance connectivity and management of their data centers, ensuring efficient operations and robust network infrastructure.

Solution

OnStak recommended deploying an ACI MultiPod/Multisite solution across three data centers—two located in Georgia and one in Columbia. This proposed deployment included:

Discovery: Conducted requirement gathering to understand the current network.

HLD Review: Reviewed High-Level Design (HLD) and Bill of Quantities (BoQ).

Design Recommendation: Finalized High-Level Design for Data Center (DC), Application Delivery Controller (ADC), and non-production environments, including MultiPod/Multisite and IPN/ISN design.

Requirement Gathering: Captured detailed requirements for ACI Bringup.

Low-Level Design (LLD): Designed ACI Fabric, including patching matrix, Layer 3 outs, VMM integration, Multi-Pod/Multisite traffic flows, service graphs, contracts, and IPN/ISN design.

Implementation Plan: Developed plans for APIC/vAPIC cluster bringup, standalone/Multi-Pod fabrics, Multisite (IPN), Nexus Dashboard Cluster, Nexus Dashboard Orchestrator, fabric policies, access policies, and tenant/logical policies.

ACI Implementation: Executed fabric bringup for Multi-Pod, Multisite, and Nexus Dashboard.

Test Cases: Conducted testing and verification through defined test cases to ensure the implementation's success and reliability.

Proposed ACI Multisite Design

