

Shyanne Wilson Geological Engineer

Shyanne Wilson, a passionate Geological Engineer at Tierra Group International, hails from the breathtaking landscapes of Colorado, specifically Elizabeth and Parker. She's the second of seven siblings in a close-knit family that grew up in a ranching community. Shyanne's childhood was a whirlwind of activities, from sports like volleyball, track, and rugby, to active involvement in the national honor society, theater, and art club. But her 18th birthday brought an unexpected gift from her mom – a goat she affectionately named Princess Jasmin. Shyanne now resides in Arvada with her partner, Payton, and her zest for life is infectious.

Her free time is a colorful canvas of hobbies that include weightlifting, painting, hiking, and any outdoor adventure she can find. Shyanne's favorite vacations are those that surprise her with new experiences, like exploring Moab in her trusty Jeep, traveling to Germany with her dad, or wandering through the bewitching streets of Salem in October. Her



dream is to venture to Australia and New Zealand, embracing the unknown.

Weekends are her sanctuary, where she soaks up the sunshine while enjoying quality time with friends and family.



In her professional life, Shyanne is mentored by Justin Knudsen, P.E., whose guidance has been instrumental in her development as an engineer. She values his professional and personal integrity deeply.

Her journey into geology has a comical twist – a childhood incident involving her little brother and a rock. Despite the initial concussion, Shyanne's fascination with rocks and geology never waned.

Her great-grandfather's legacy played a significant role in her career choice. He had started a geology program in the 1950s but couldn't finish it due to life's obstacles. Shyanne saw it as her mission to complete what he began, becoming the first Geological Engineer in her family.

Before joining Tierra Group, she interned in the landfill industry, gaining valuable experience in both field and office work. This experience emphasized the importance of hands-on fieldwork guiding desk engineering.

Her early career included a stint at her family's feed store in Kiowa, Colorado, where she learned the ropes of customer service and the care of various animals. This prepared her for the dirty but rewarding world of the mining industry.



In a surprising turn, Shyanne once worked as a zipline guide, entertaining thrill-seekers with her knowledge of rocks and witty puns.

One of her proudest moments was graduating from the Colorado School of Mines, an institution that pushed her beyond her limits and opened doors to a career she had never dreamed of.

Choosing to work at Tierra Group was a natural decision for Shyanne, driven by the company's culture of prioritizing clients, fostering strong teamwork, and encouraging individual growth. She

has found delight in the camaraderie with her colleagues, some of whom she had attended school with, proving that it's indeed a small world.



Working in the mining industry has thrilled Shyanne, as it offers opportunities for global problem-solving and continuous learning. It is a challenging field that requires collaboration with diverse teams and adapting to various circumstances. Her love for geology and geotech is matched by her fascination with the construction aspect of her work.





Her first Tierra Group Halloween party saw Shyanne dressed as Hulk Hogan, complete with an iconic mustache that drew laughter from her colleagues.

An enriching work trip took her to Elko, Nevada, where she learned more in six weeks than she ever thought possible, even while fending off the pesky Mormon cricket infestation.

Another significant achievement is her involvement in a slope stability modeling project at Tierra Group. Over the years, she has witnessed the project come to life and go to construction, a milestone in her professional development.

Shyanne expresses deep gratitude to Matt and Pete, the founders of Tierra Group, for creating a company dedicated to its vision and the well-being of its employees. She considers her career here the most exciting imaginable, as it allows her to be part of a team that truly cares about excellence, clients, and the environment.

