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Professional Biography

Melissa started her career with KDOT in Bridge Design; during her time at KDOT she organized highway cleanups for ASCE Younger Members Group and taught Certified Inspector Training courses. She was briefly at TranSystems before an opportunity to help design the NASA Mobile Launcher 2 arose with Bechtel. She left TranSystems with full intent to come back after working on this opportunity with NASA. During her time away from TranSystems, she helped design the base for the new Mobile Launcher 2 as well as, earned NASA Chiefs for approval for first time use of Fiber Reinforced Polymer members to be used as secondary members in the Mobile Launch Tower. After 2 years, Melissa returned to TranSystems to rejoin the Bridge Team. When she is not designing bridges in the Midwest, she is climbing bridges across the US inspecting them.

Personal Biography

Melissa enjoys sharing her Costa Rican culture by cooking typical dishes she learned growing up in Alajuela. In the evenings she explores downtown Kansas City with her dachshund, Ringo. One weekends when she is not following a YouTube video for basic car repairs, she is road-tripping to Indiana or Wisconsin to dote on her niece and nephews.