



Meet Charlie Burgess, Superintendent



It started off as a summer job...something to earn some money before heading off to college. But it's safe to say that Charlie Burgess found a career and company that fits him like the saddle of a Suzuki LTZ 450 quad. He's a 17 year veteran of Geotech Services and he has definitely settled into an assignment that suits him perfectly.

Charlie currently serves as superintendent for the company. He helps with the scheduling of projects and assures that each job has the equipment, materials and personnel needed for the assignment. Burgess visits prospective work sites to evaluate the access crews will have, identify any obstacles and help formulate a plan of attack for the bid – or the execution of the work.

"I love the variety of this work. Every day is different and unique. It ranges from culvert lining to laying new pipe, slip lining, concrete restoration and erosion control. No two days are alike. It makes it interesting," says Burgess.

Charlie attended Springfield High School in Akron, Ohio, graduating in 1995 before attending Akron University in the construction technology program. Paul Stubbs recruited him to join Geotech Services and the rest, as they say, is history. "I just fell in love with the work and it's a great company with a good group of guys. I had a chance to work in the front office and, of course, in the field – so I got to know the company from different angles," says Burgess.

It's fair to say, when something feels good to Charlie, he stays with it. Seventeen years with one company is a testimony to that. He also moved back into the home in which he grew up in Tallmadge, Ohio. "I bought the home from my mom and live there with my dog, Jake (a 7 year old black labrador/chow mix)." When asked about recreational activities away from work, Charlie laughed, "I work long hours and I'm not complaining. I love what I do, but I don't take much time off." When he does take a break, you can find him four-wheeling in his back yard or in West Virginia where he has some property. He's also an avid hunter and camper.

"I like being outside," says Charlie, which makes sense given the career path he's chose.

