



**Cherie Telker**

**Director at Large**

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Following graduation from S&T, Cherie interned at Layne Energy and Chevron Energy Technology Company. Her first full-time position in the petroleum industry was in Houston, Texas, at MicroSeismic, Inc., where she started as a member of the geology team and was quickly promoted to Geology Team Lead. Four years later she brought her expertise in microseismic interpretation and data integration to Occidental Oil & Gas (Oxy). Initially, she exclusively worked on Oxy's microseismic projects, but later transitioned to a production geology role in the Midland Basin business unit. To gain exposure to other functions in Oxy, Cherie is now Senior Planning Analyst on the Enhanced Oil Recovery Portfolio Planning Team, but gladly shares her technical expertise with others when needed.

Previously, Cherie founded Environmental Consulting & Remediation, Inc., which specialized in performing soil and groundwater investigations to identify and delineate petroleum contamination throughout Missouri, and designing and implementing remedial work plans. After 6 years in business doing environmental geology, Cherie decided to pivot to petroleum geology.

Cherie earned her bachelor's degree from University of Missouri-Columbia. She earned her Master of Science in Geology and Geophysics at Missouri S&T while winding down her environmental business.

Cherie served on Missouri S&T Geology & Geophysics Advisory Board for six years, and was the chairperson for three of those years. She was also a member of the GGPE Departmental Advisory Board for one year.

Cherie grew up in Arnold, Missouri. She enjoys planning alumni gatherings such as St. Pat's and happy hours for alumni in Houston.