

The background features a blue-tinted city skyline at night with illuminated buildings. In the foreground, a large, detailed image of a rocket engine is visible, showing its complex internal structure and various components.

Mr. Chad Summers started his NASA career as a co-op at the Kennedy Space Center in 1990, working in the Space Shuttle Orbital Maneuvering and Reaction Control Systems (OMS/RCS) Group until his transfer to Stennis Space Center in 1997. At Stennis, Chad served as a Test Conductor for various launch vehicle and rocket engine test programs including the X-33 Multi-lobe Composite Liquid Hydrogen Tank, various subscale and full-scale pre-burners, turbo-pumps, and thrust chamber assemblies, and MSFC's Fastrac Engine. He transferred to Marshall Space Flight Center in 2001 where he worked in the Space Launch Initiative/Next Generation Launch Technology Project Offices, responsible for the integration of all of the project's propulsion test hardware into NASA, Air Force, and industry test facilities being utilized across the country. He became the Deputy Branch Chief of the Liquid Engines and Main Propulsion System Branch in 2005. In 2007, Mr. Summers became the Branch Chief of The Spacecraft and Vehicle System's Requirements, Interfaces, and Verification Branch. His group supported NASA's Space Launch System Program design and development. Since 2019, Chad has served as the Division Chief for the Design and Analysis Division, leading the organization to successfully support the final design, certification, and launch of the SLS.

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