



<b>Labour</b>	Unskilled or Entry-level
<b>Swamper</b>	
<b>Job Description</b>	Helps drivers and heavy equipment operators with a range of tasks, such as loading and unloading goods, attaching chokers and chains, and cleaning equipment.
<b>Education/Certification</b>	No formal education requirements, but job readiness and safety training may be helpful. A certificate from the NWT Apprenticeship Board or Aurora College heavy equipment operator training (or equivalent training) would greatly benefit the applicant.
<b>Experience</b>	Experience determines the level of responsibility given.
<b>Skills</b>	Needs excellent physical condition, good vision and depth perception, good eye and hand/foot coordination, mechanical ability and fast reflexes. Should like operating machinery, taking a methodical approach to the work and troubleshooting problems.
<b>Salary Range</b>	Minimum wage to \$15 an hour.
<b>Transferability</b>	Swampers generally follow heavy equipment operators that are found in industries such as forestry, mining, excavating and railroads.

**Other unskilled labour jobs:**

**Labourer, Lead Hand, Nozzleman/woman, Oiler, Painter, Parts Runner, Welder's Helper, Mechanic's Helper (Heavy Equipment)**

<b>Nozzleman/woman</b>	Responsible for handling the nozzle for sandblasting in the cleaning and preparation of the pipe. Also operates the nozzle for all hand-held high pressure jet equipment. No minimum education. Needs physical strength and stamina, a safety-conscious attitude and the ability to work with others in a team. Skills: should like being physically active, working outdoors and using hand tools and power tools. Wage: \$24 - \$28 an hour. Similar tasks are found in mining, hydro and construction industries.
<b>Oiler</b>	Ensures that all mechanical equipment is well greased and oiled. No minimum education required, but oiler must have the ability to read equipment service manuals. Skills: similar to Nozzleman. Wage: \$22 - \$30 an hour.
<b>Parts Runner</b>	Drives a truck and transports parts to and from the work site. Must have a driver's licence that permits the operation of a service truck. Also should be able to read instructions in English. Skills: good vision and depth perception, good eye and hand/foot coordination, mechanical ability and fast reflexes. Wage: minimum wage to \$15 an hour.



**Welder's Helper**

Helpers assist welders with equipment, tools and clean-up. After they gain skills and experience, they may move to other positions on a crew. Most employers prefer to hire people with at least high school education. Some may have no minimum education requirement but want the applicants to be able to speak and write English. Skills: similar to above. Also need the ability to concentrate on detailed work and stand in one place for extended periods of time. Wage: minimum wage to \$15 an hour.

Note: These job descriptions represent positions frequently found in large pipeline projects. Appropriate education and experience will play a determining role when selecting candidates. Some positions may require extensive natural gas related expertise. Salaries and wages are based on 2001 data and may change according to market conditions.