



# ACP Construction Inspectors

**Construction of the Atlantic Coast Pipeline will require approximately 50 to 85 inspectors for each of the construction spreads. The majority of construction inspectors hired for this 600-mile underground, interstate gas transmission pipeline must be certified through the American Petroleum Institute’s Pipeline Construction Inspector program (API 1169).**

### ABOUT ACP

The Atlantic Coast Pipeline (ACP) is proposed to begin in Harrison County, West Virginia, traverse southeast through Virginia and then into Robeson County, North Carolina. The pipeline will be 42 inches in diameter in West Virginia and Virginia and 36 inches in diameter in North Carolina.

Three laterals are planned in Virginia including a 20-inch diameter lateral to Chesapeake and 16-inch diameter laterals in both Brunswick and Greensville Counties, Virginia.

Compressor stations are proposed in Lewis County, West Virginia; Buckingham County, Virginia; and Northampton County, North Carolina.

### PROJECT TIMELINE AND INSPECTOR NEEDS

The project is divided into construction spreads. Some inspectors have been hired for tree felling and other front-end work. Additional inspectors will be hired in 2018 for spreads under construction this year and next spring for spreads under construction in 2019.

Approximately 550 inspectors will be required for 2018 construction and 450 for 2019 construction. For the benefit of continuity, it is the project team’s intent to have inspectors hired in 2018 return for the 2019 construction season.

### API CERTIFICATION

The API programs are designed by inspection and quality subject matter experts specifically for the oil and gas industry. Requirements vary depending on the type of inspector. The programs are based on industry-developed standards recognized and used with confidence worldwide.

The Interstate Natural Gas Association of America (INGAA) officially endorsed API’s Pipeline Inspector Certification Program in 2016. INGAA is working with member companies to ensure pipeline inspectors within their membership become certified in the coming years.

More information is available on the API website ([www.api.org](http://www.api.org)).

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## TYPES OF INSPECTORS

The types of positions needed vary according to the facility being constructed (pipeline or station).

### Pipeline Construction

- Chief Inspector
- Bending
- Clearing
- Coating (NACE)
- Ditching
- Environmental
- Final Grade & Cleanup
- Grading
- Hydrostatic Testing
- Lowering-in
- Material Handling
- Non-destructive Test
- Padding & Backfill
- Road Bores
- Rough Grade
- Safety
- Stringing
- Surveying
- Welding (CWI/CPWI)

### Above-Ground Facility Construction

- Project Coordinator
- Assistant Project Coordinator
- Cathodic Protection Installation
- Coating
- Electrical
- Environmental
- General
- Structural/Concrete
- Project Material Coordinator/Administrator
- Welding

## HIRING PARTNERS

The ACP project team will work with six main companies to hire inspectors for the ACP. These companies have a wealth of knowledge and experience in pipeline inspection activities. Contact the companies below for additional information on inspection opportunities with the ACP.

- **EnSite USA**  
[jhutchings@ensiteusa.com](mailto:jhutchings@ensiteusa.com)  
[kbraswell@ensiteusa.com](mailto:kbraswell@ensiteusa.com)
- **UniversalPegasus International**  
[allison.weaver@hii-upi.com](mailto:allison.weaver@hii-upi.com)  
[lucy.salermo@hii-upi.com](mailto:lucy.salermo@hii-upi.com)
- **Quality Integrated Services**  
[dannie@qisinspection.com](mailto:dannie@qisinspection.com)  
[monte@qisinspection.com](mailto:monte@qisinspection.com)
- **Gulf Interstate Field Services**  
[anichols@gie.com](mailto:anichols@gie.com)
- **BJ Inspections**  
[britneybuffington@bjinspections.com](mailto:britneybuffington@bjinspections.com)
- **Cleveland Integrity Services**  
[randy.byers@clevelandintegrity.com](mailto:randy.byers@clevelandintegrity.com)

## FAQs

### Will there be any grandfathering into certification from other certifications not listed?

No. All inspectors are required to obtain the certifications required by the program. There is no ability to apply for equivalent certifications.

### Who will pay to certify inspectors?

As with other certifications and professions, inspectors are expected to pay to obtain certification. Pipeline inspectors are generally employed by inspection service providers. Check with service providers for possible incentive offering.

## APPLICATION AND EXAM SCHEDULE

Application Deadline	Exam Date
June 15, 2018	August 17 – 31, 2018
August 24, 2018	October 26 – November 9, 2018
October 5, 2018	December 7 – 21, 2018