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BLOCK YOUR SHEAR



As part of your Lockout procedure, make sure you eliminate the danger presented by gravity when working inside a machine. In this shear for example, this welder is using an I-beam as a block. He's welded solid ends on the I-beam to help keep it in place and make it more substantial. This is a great idea especially with older equipment that does not have a mechanism to pin up the head.

Remember that gravity is always working against you. Be sure and consider this source of energy when determining what it takes to completely Lock Out a machine.

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