

CERTIFICATE OF LOCATION OF GOVERNMENT CORNER

For the **East Quarter Corner** of Section 18, Township 143 North, Range 26 West of the 5th Principal Meridian, STATE OF MINNESOTA, County of Cass.

On May 13, 1986, to mark this corner position, we set a 2.5 inch (outside diameter) by 60 inch long galvanized iron pipe, with a polystyrene base containing an embedded magnetized pellet, and topped with a 3 inch diameter brass tablet, up 18 inches and stamped as shown in the sketch.

SKETCH OF REFERENCE TIES

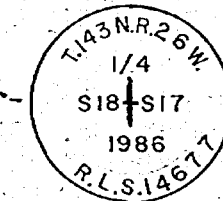
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(not to scale)

decl: 5° E

N 54° E, 18.41 feet to a 16d nail in the northwesterly face of an 8.4 inch White Pine, double blazed and scribed "1/4S17" and "BT".

3.0 ft.
8 ft. long metal post with USFS 54-2 "PROPERTY BOUNDARY" and 54-9 "LAND SURVEY MONUMENT" signs attached.



3.0 ft.
8 ft. long metal post with a USFS 54-2 "PROPERTY BOUNDARY" sign attached.

S 59° W, 19.11 feet to a 16d nail in the northwesterly face of a 10.6 inch White Pine double blazed and scribed "1/4S18" and "BT".

S 52° E, 16.14 feet to a 16d nail in the southwesterly face of a 10.0 inch White Pine, double blazed and scribed "1/4S17" and "BT".

All bearing trees are marked with red enamel, a USFS 54-3 "BEARING TREE TAG", and a 60d spike driven vertically into the base of the baseblaze.

Statement of evidence relative to this corner position is on the back.

I hereby certify that this survey, plan, or report was prepared by me or under my direct supervision and that I am a duly Registered Land Surveyor under the laws of the State of Minnesota.

Kenneth L. Whitehorn
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Date JUN 17 1986 Registration No. 14677

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OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER
County of Cass

I hereby certify that this document was filed in the office of the County Recorder this 24 day of June, 1986, at 9:10 A.M. and assigned DOCUMENT NUMBER 289669.

Claudine Kaylor
Claudine Kaylor, County Recorder
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STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE: For the East Quarter Corner of Section 18; Township 143 North, Range 26 West of the 5th Principal Meridian.

This corner position was originally established on August 30, 1872, by Eli W. Griffin, Deputy Surveyor, under contract to the General Land Office, now the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The record of this survey is on file in the Office of the Secretary of State, St. Paul, Minnesota, and indicates that a wood post was set to mark this corner position. This monumented position was referenced by: a 5 inch diameter Fir that bears NORTH 46 degrees EAST, a distance of 15 links (9.90 feet); and a 6 inch diameter Birch that bears SOUTH 69 degrees WEST, a distance of 6 links (3.96 feet).

I was unable to find any intervening record of subsequent visitations to this corner position and on February 20, 1986, I talked to Albert Hare, owner of the East One-half of the Southeast Quarter of Section 18 and the Southwest Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 17. We discussed the fences in the vicinity and he told me that his father had built the fences shortly after acquiring the land in the 1940s. He also told me that there had been a white post with a rounded top in the vicinity of the East Quarter Corner of Section 18 and that is what his father had used as a terminous point for his fence. We searched the area near this fence corner and recovered a very rotted piece of cedar but there were no discernable marks on the piece we found. During the 1930s the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) used to set a cedar post, having a sloping face with plantation identification, near corners of plantations. Since no record of a CCC survey could be found and Mr. Hare's description of the post, it is logical to surmise that Mr. Hare's father found and used one of these plantation markers. Based on our measurements it appears that who ever set the post referred to by Mr. Hare chained east 2640 feet from the occupation line at the South Quarter Corner of Section 18 and then northerly 2640 and placed the referenced post. This would not constitute proper survey methods because of other historical evidence of this corner position that has been of public record in the Cass County Courthouse since 1913 and 1922.

Without the record of the procedures used by the CCCs to establish the plantation corner I cannot accept the fence corner as evidence of this corner position. We can only speculate as to what transpired and historical evidence of procedures used by the CCCs to establish corners show a distinct probability of not bothering to look for or reestablish corners using proper procedures because they were not surveyors nor had they received the proper training to make the kinds of decisions required for surveying. Had they measured the entire East Line of Section 18 they would have reestablished this corner position using lost methods as I have chosen to do. Since I feel that the CCC's did not properly establish the position for the plantation corner I choose to use the lost position, determined using single proportionate methods, and monumented as shown on the front of this document.