

Benton County Surveyor's Office  
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**Statement of Evidence:**

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Northeast Corner of Section 1, Township 37 North, Range 29 West, Gilmanton Township, 4<sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian, Benton County, Minnesota.

- 1849 Original US General Land Office survey set a wood post at this location and bearing trees were recorded.  
14" W Birch N 40 E 241 links  
12" Elm S 38 W 90 links  
8" Elm S 6 E 160 links
- 1912 County Surveyor's Record Book 2, page 306 lists ties to an iron monument in the center of cross roads:  
Fence corner NW 42.5 feet  
NE corner School House S 55-30 W 133 feet
- 1912 County Engineer's Notebook No. 2, pages 49 and 50, contains a road survey for SR No. 14 by M. J. Cleveland. Survey runs north-south on section line. Notes show iron monument at the corner with same ties as above. Stationing gives distances of 2637 feet to the SE corner and 2688 to the NE corner of Section 12.
- 1912 County Engineer's Notebook 2, pages 61, is a road survey for SR No. 2 by M. J. Cleveland. Survey was run on section line east from this corner.
- 1921 County Engineers' Notebook No. 39 shows survey of road on town line east-west with corner marked by an iron monument with ties:  
NE Cor School S 55-30 W 133' Tel. Pole SW 44.0'
- 1922 County Engineer's Notebook No. 28 gives tie to granite monument in Road: T.P. SW 44.0'
- 1936 County Engineer's Notebook No. 101 is a road survey for a road running north from this corner. Ties to iron pipe:  
NE Cor School SW 133.2 6" B.E. NW 128.8
- 1941 County Engineer's Notebook No. 152 contains a road survey for CAR 32 running south to north on township line. Corner is shown marked by an iron in center of SAR 5. Ties:  
NE Cor School SW 133.2 10" Elm. NW 136.5
- 1955 County Engineer's Notebook No. 202 shows a survey of SAR 5 running west to east on town line. Corner is shown marked by a spike set in center of road with CAR 32 north and south. Same ties as in 1941 and 1961 are noted to placed iron same as in 1963.
- 1955 County Surveyor's Record Book 1, page 533 notes an iron with the following reference ties:  
NE Cor School SW 133.2 10" Elm NW 136.5
- 1963 County Surveyor's Record Book 1, page 533 notes an iron placed in 1961 with a spike in blacktop set in 1963 with the following reference ties:  
PP NE 69.15 TP SW 51.35 PP SE 112.9
- 1994 Kevin Festler, LS 22702, found a spike at the centerline of roads north/south and east/west. He replaced it with a cast iron monument and filed a Certificate of Location (#226898).
- 1995 Comstock and Davis performed GPS work under contract with Benton County and Coordinates Obtained by GPS NAD 83 (1986 Adjustment) to a CIM:  
N- 164407.932  
E - 542446.567
- 1995 William Lunser, LS 9394, notes per Doc. No. 234180 a distance of 2627.44 feet to the East ¼ corner Sec 1.
- 2000 Westwood Professional Services, Inc. found a cast iron monument at centerline/centerline.
- 2003 County Coordinates Obtained by GPS to CIM  
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)  
N- 164408.228  
E- 542446.242
- 2006 Excavated 12-foot x 8-foot x 6-foot deep hole. Neither the original government corner post nor bearing trees were found. Down 3 feet, under the existing CIM, a 1-inch by 18-inch iron rod was found. Down 5.5 feet, under the rod and CIM, a large granite field stone with wood post along side was found. These monuments fit the tie to the northeast corner of the school house within one foot. Believing this to be the best available evidence, a 1/2"-inch by 14-inch iron pipe was set with cap marked 19552 at the position of the CIM, rod, and stone/wood post. The 2003 coordinates were verified to be correct.
- 2009 Benton County Surveyor's Office set a PK nail with washer in place of the CIM because the CIM was destroyed during road construction in 2008 and 2009. The PK nail was set at the 2003 CIM position.