

Statement of Evidence:

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East Quarter Corner of Section 12, Township 38 North, Range 32 West, West Langola Township, 4th Principal Meridian, Benton County, Minnesota.

- 1849 Original US General Land Office surveyor, Theodore Conkey, established this corner and set a wood post in a mound at the corner location and notes a pit 6 links north.
- 1941 County Surveyor's Record Book 2, page 98 contains a survey by HG Elleston of Section 7, 38-31. Survey gives a distance of 5369.0 feet for the west line of Section 7. The survey shows an iron set at the 1/16th corner north of the southwest corner at 1342.2 feet. (This indicates that he determined the ¼ corner to be lost.)
- 1978 Paul Wellen, LS 10461, found a 1/2" iron pipe at the intersection of a fence line from the north, a fence line from the east and field lines from the south and west. A Certificate of Location was filed (#151875). He notes a distance of 2809.47 feet to the NE corner Sec 12.
- 1988 Bruce Skipton, LS 17768, found a 3/4" iron pipe, which fit Wellen's record, and set a cast iron monument over it and filed a Certificate of Location (#191237).
- 1996 William Lunser, LS 9394, used the CIM for a survey in the NE ¼ of Section 12. He notes the disproportionate distances north and south. He examined the fence running east from the center of Section 12 and noted that projecting the fence easterly falls 17 feet south of the CIM and projecting a line from the West ¼ corner through the fence near the center falls 169 feet north of the CIM. He concludes that unless the original government corner or accessory is recovered, the CIM should prevail.
- 2003 Westwood Professional Services, Inc. located a cast iron monument using GPS. We measured 5369.33 feet between section corners, which compared well with the 1941 survey. The CIM is 24 feet east of a straight line between section corners and 127 feet south of the midpoint. The CIM seems to be considerably out of place for a corner on a township line and is much more than would be expected when comparing it to others distance along this township line.
County Coordinates Obtained by GPS (Cast Iron Monument)
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)
N-188089.191
E-446281.907