

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

**A052**

Northeast Corner of Section 5, Township 38 North, Range 28 West, Granite Ledge 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.
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| 30" Pine N 80 E  | 63 links |
| 30" Pine N 56 W  | 31 links |
| 28" Pine S 52 W  | 27 links |
| 12" Sugar S 18 E | 25 links |
- 1914 Morrison County Surveyor's Record Book A, on pages 135 and 158, shows a survey by Phil S. Randall of Section 33, 39-28. This corner is shown marked by an iron pin. Same information on page 157 for survey in Section 32, 39-28.
- 1915 County Surveyor's Record Book 2, page 318 and 319, and Record Book A, Map No. 4 is a survey by JP Soderstrum of Section 5. He notes the corner set from stumps of 3 pine trees checking OK with Gov't distance and 2 with Gov't bearing. Corner set by Morrison County Surveyor was 4 rods west and 3 rods north. He also found a tree blazed on 4 sides S 39 E 41 links. He also notes the following reference ties:
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|------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| 10" R Oak  | N 50-30 W | 102 links                 |
| 6" W Oak   | N 33-30 E | 106 links                 |
| 10" Poplar | S 39 E    | 41 links (blazed 4 sides) |
- 1919 Nels Peterson, Morrison County Surveyor, notes he set a concrete monument at all government corners along the south line of Lakin Township in Morrison County.
- 1930 County Engineer's notebook No. 56 contains a road survey by H. G. Elletson for CAR No. 27. Notes show road survey run south to north along section line and terminating at this corner. Corner marked by a found cement monument with ties:
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| 15" R. Oak | SW | 44.95' |
| 10" W. Oak | NW | 40.9'  |
- Notes give a distance of 5459.3 feet to the SE corner.
- 1982 William Lunser, LS 9394, set a cast iron monument at the centerline of roads north/south and a fence line west. He filed a Certificate of Location (#173440). He notes a distance of 2644.27 feet to the North ¼ corner Sec 4 and a distance of 2754.55 feet to the East ¼ corner Sec 5.
- 2003 Westwood Professional Services, Inc. found CIM. We measured 5457.44 feet to the SE corner. This compared well with Lunser's 5457.73 feet, with Soderstrum's 5458.20 feet, and Elletson's 5459.3 feet.
- County Coordinates obtained by GPS to CIM:  
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)  
N- 196097.873  
E- 551931.960
- 2010 Benton County Surveyor's Office excavated the area where the CIM Lunser set in 1982 and found a 12" square concrete block 1 foot below the road surface. The concrete monument is 2.59 feet westerly of the CIM that Lunser set. We measured 5457.59 feet to the Southeast corner of Section 5 which compares well with the 5459.3 feet recorded in the County Engineer's notebook in 1930. The concrete monument was accepted as the Obliterated Section corner and a CIM was set above the monument.
- County Coordinates obtained by GPS to set CIM:  
NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)  
N- 196097.861  
E- 551929.367