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# CERTIFICATE OF LOCATION OF GOVERNMENT CORNER

NORTH QUARTER Corner of Section 12, Township 108 N, Range 43 W

5th Principal Meridian, State of Minnesota, County of MURRAY

At the corner location shown on the sketch:

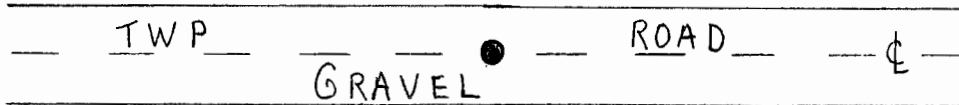
■ On 9/30/03 found a VERY OLD ROTTED WOOD POST, DOWN 3.8'  
DATE

left monument as found,  lowered monument,  removed monument (explain)

■ On 9/30/03 Placed a 3/4" BY 24" REBAR WITH A PLASTIC CAP STAMPED  
DATE  
"MN DNR LS 17003", DOWN 0.5', IN PLACE OF FOUND WOOD POST



NOTE: MONUMENT IS  
ON E E-W ROAD  
IN LINE WITH FENCE SOUTH



MURRAY COUNTY  
COORDINATE SYSTEM  
NAD 1983 1996 ADJ.  
N = 221851.639  
E = 451054.372

GOOD TIES NOT AVAILABLE

Statement of evidence for this corner location is on back of this page.

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I certify that this document was researched and prepared by me or under my direct supervision.

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North Quarter Corner Section 12, Township 108 North, Range 43 West

The DNR Division of Lands and Minerals contacted the following for survey information:

Minnesota Secretary of State's Office  
Murray County Recorder's Office  
Murray County Highway Engineer's Office  
Madsen Land Surveying, Inc. of Fairmont

1866 U.S. General Land Office notes, obtained from the Secretary of State's Office, show the corner marked with a post in a mound.

No A Surveyor's Record Book containing ties to government corners, obtained from the  
Date County Highway Engineer's Office, shows corner, but a description of what kind of monument was found or set is not given. The corner is shown:

2640 feet from the northeast corner of Section 12  
1320 feet from the north sixteenth corner of the Northeast Quarter of Section 12

1978 April 4, a Surveyor's Record Book, containing ties to government corners, obtained from the County Highway Engineer's Office, shows that Hagemester, PE, found a stone at corner, with the following ties:

fence post, north, 33.95 feet  
fence post, South 30° East, 33.25 feet  
fence post, North 40° East, 50.98 feet

2003 September 30, the DNR Division of Lands and Minerals found an iron pipe with plastic cap marked "RLS 5094" at corner, 0.7 of a foot below the surface. Searched for but found no evidence of the 1978 ties. The iron pipe was found to be:

3.0 feet south of the centerline of an east-west road  
in line with a fence south

Dug with a backhoe and found a 5 inch by 6 inch by 7 inch stone 2.5 feet below the surface and approximately below the found capped iron pipe (the stone came out with the backhoe bucket). Continued digging and found a very old rotted wood post with a square nail on its side leaning at a 45 degree angle to the north. The base of the wood fence post was found to be:

3.8 feet below the surface  
on the centerline of the east-west road  
in line with a fence south  
2.81 feet north and 0.71 of a foot west of the found plastic capped iron pipe  
2649.74 feet from the northwest corner of Section 12  
2622 feet from a metal attraction found in the area of the northeast corner of Section 12

Analysis of the above information led the DNR Division of Lands and Minerals to conclude that the found wood post on the centerline of the east-west road and in line with a fence south marks the obliterated location of the corner. The found capped iron pipe and stone were not used for the location of the corner because no records could be found on how their location was determined and the found wood post is evidence of occupation. A ¾ inch by 24 inch rebar with a plastic cap stamped "MN DNR LS 17003" was set directly over the base of the found wood fence post.

The found iron pipe and stone were discarded.