

Benton County Surveyor's Office
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Statement of Evidence:

H153

East Quarter Corner of Section 15, Township 37 North, Range 29 West, Gilmanton Township, 4th Principal Meridian, Benton County, Minnesota.

- 1855 Original US General Land Office survey established corner marked with a wood post with bearing trees noted as:

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| 7" W Birch | N 57 E | 12 links |
| 12" W Birch | S 61 W | 14 links |

- 1879 County Surveyor's Record Book 1, page 460, contains a road survey by Richard Cronk laying out the road on the section line north-south.

- 1907 County Road Book, pages 4-6, contains a road survey by Felix Parent, County Surveyor, for State Road. Stationing gives distance of 2640 feet to the SE corner and 2708 feet to the NE corner of Section 15.

- 1912 County Engineer's notebook No. 2, page 37, contains a road survey by Cleveland for road running north and south. Notes show post at corner with ties:

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| Rock (Grey Granite) | N 74-45 E | 98' |
| Fence Corner | West | 33.5' |
| T.P. | N 44-30 E | 33.2' |
| 8" Blk. Oak | S 60-45 E | 113' |

Stationing shows distances of 2610 feet to the SE corner and 2704 to the NE corner of Section 15.

- 1949 C. H. West, LS 932, with MN/DOT found an 8" square granite monument. He set an 8" x 30" concrete monument with an aluminum cap. He filed Certificate of Replacing Section Corner (2/9/1951). Ties:

NE 139.6 feet and SE 137.8 feet to 2 1/2 " x 5 foot iron R/W pipes

MN/DOT alignment map for TH 218 (TH 25) shows corner marked by the 8" x 30" concrete monument at center of roads north, south, and east. Corner is 36.2 feet east of new centerline.

- 1961 Benton County Highway ties:

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| Hole in top of 18" CMC | NE | 22.78 feet |
| Hole in top of 18" CMC | SE | 21.95 feet |
| Centerline of TH 25 | West | 36.31 feet |

- 2004 Westwood Professional Services, Inc. found R/W pipes as noted in 1949. Computed position for corner from the pipes, which fit within a foot from highway stationing. From computed point measured 2610.63 feet to the SE corner and 2700.27 feet to the NE corner of Section 15, which checks well with Cleveland's 1912 distances.

County Coordinates to computed location:

NAD 83 (1996 Adjustment)

N- 150902.559

E- 531925.257

- 2009 The Benton County Surveyor's Office excavated and found a 8-inch by 30-inch concrete monument, fitting that described by C.H. West in 1949, at the computer location. The concrete monument is accepted as marking the obliterated corner position.