

STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE

Southeast Quarter Corner Section 31, T117N-R40W

- 1858 W.J. Neely was contracted by the United States Government Land Office to perform the Original Public Land Survey of the south line of this township. Neely records in his field notes that he "deposited coal made mound trench and pits"
- 1895 Jonah Peterson, County Surveyor, records in County Surveyor's Record Book, page 114, dimensions from this corner to the north and west but does not mention what type of monument was found.
- April 22, 2014 Joshua M. Stern, LS 46169, searched a large area with a metal locator and was unable to recover any monument. Section corners monuments were found at the Southeast and South Quarter corners of Section 32, along with a monument at the Southwest corner of Section 31. We computed this corner position using proportionate measurement along the south line of Section 32, between the Southeast corner and South Quarter corner of Section 32, according to the 1858 Government survey. An Iron Rod with a "46169 46171" stamped plastic cap was set at this corner position. This proportionate position was verified by the 1895 survey distances along the south line of Section 31. This computed corner position fits well with road center lines east, west, and north, along with use on Quarter and Sixteenth lines in both Sections 31&32. No large excavation was done for this corner because it falls within the road right of way and no record of a monument has been recorded since 1895.