

## Public Land Survey System (PLSS) Preservation Committee FY2024/25 Term Report & FY2026/27 Work Plan

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### Active subgroups and associated leadership:

- None

## FY2024/25 GAC Term Report

*Fiscal Year (FY) 2024/25: July 2023 - June 2025*

### GAC Priorities Owned by the Committee

*GAC priority projects and initiatives that the committee was responsible for during the term.*

- Remonumentation of all original federal section corners
- Statewide Survey Records Inventory

### Accomplishments

- Released PLSS Grant RFP to MN counties and awarded \$9.1 million to 34 counties for PLSS remonumentation work
- Monitored progress of the 34 grant projects
- Reimbursed \$2.9 million in grant reimbursements to date
- Had an initial discussion about the statewide survey record inventory
- Created an initial survey to be completed by MN counties asking them about their county's survey records

## Recommendations

*Recommendations for the Minnesota Geospatial Information Office (MnGeo) to support the Committee's goals.*

Continued support by and through MnGeo's Survey Coordinator

## Additional Comments

None

## FY2026/27 GAC Term Work Plan

*FY2026/27: July 2025 - June 2027*

### GAC Priorities Owned by the Committee

*GAC priority projects and initiatives that the committee is to be responsible for during the upcoming term – these may be subject to change based on results of the term's priorities survey.*

- Remonumentation of all original federal section corners
- Statewide Survey Records Inventory

### Planned Activities and Deliverables

- Continued monitoring and reimbursement of PLSS Monument Grants
- Conduct Land Survey Record Inventory survey and compile results
- If additional grant funding is legislated, we will develop and publish a new grant RFP and award new PLSS Monument Grants
- Oversee the completion of the current PLSS Monument Grants; most to be completed March, 2026
- Development of a statewide PLSS Corner Viewer

### Roles and Responsibilities

- [Committee Roster](#)

### Existing Resources

- MnGeo Survey Coordinator and other MnGeo staff and resources
- Limited, one-time, funding
- Committee members

### Committee and Subgroup Needs

- None

## Dependencies and Interrelationships

- PLRC's PLSS Remonumentation Legislation Subcommittee
- Need permeant funding source to remonument all original section corners

## Risks

- No funding; no grant program, minimum corners remonumented
- Reliance on county response to develop a statewide land survey record inventory

## Additional Comments

None

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