Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What are the responsibilities of the Anoka County Surveyors office?

A: The Anoka County Surveyors office is responsible for maintaining maps involving property boundaries, Public Land Survey records, Government corners, platted County Highways, and Anoka County owned property boundaries.

Q: Do you have Plats and Maps online?

A: Yes, all of our Plats, Half Sections, Benchmarks, Section Corner Ties, and Historical Section Breakdowns can be found on the Anoka County GIS Web application at: http://gis.anokacountymn.gov/

Q: Does the Anoka County Surveyors office survey private property?

A: We are not able to survey private property for the general public. A licensed Land Surveyor in private practice must be hired to provide this service.

Q: How do I find my lot corners?

A: We recommend that you hire a licensed Land Surveyor. If you would like to find them yourself you will need a plat or the dimensions of your property. Property corners are most often marked with an iron monument that can be detected by a metal detector. Please note that monuments may not have been placed at your property corners and that monuments found may not be in the correct location. The best way to certify that the monuments are in the correct location is to have your property surveyed by a licensed Land Surveyor in private practice.

Q: Will the Anoka County Surveyors office calculate my acreage?

A: The Anoka County Surveyors Office does not calculate the acreage of private property. However, an approximate acreage is listed within the Property Information box located on the Anoka County GIS Web application. The best method to determine an accurate acreage is to hire a licensed Land Surveyor.

Q: Does Anoka County sell Plat Books?

A: The Anoka County Surveyors office once sold a Resource Book containing information similar to a Plat Book. However, we no longer offer the Resource Book because the information contained in it is now available online. This information is on the Anoka County GIS Web Application at: http://gis.anokacountymn.gov/

Q: How accurate are the parcel lines shown on the Anoka County GIS Web Application?

A: Parcel lines shown on the Web application should not be used to determine property boundaries. Parcel lines shown are approximate and should not be used in place of a survey performed by a licensed land surveyor.