

GAC PLSS Preservation Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: May 4, 2026

Time: 10 AM –11AM

Location: Teams/ Virtual Meeting

Chair/ Facilitator: Kory Thurnau (MNIT)

Attendance List (16):

Kory Thurnau (MNIT); Curtis Carlson (MNIT); Jon Gustafson (WSP); Emilia Holstine (FDLB); Jennifer Tworzyanski (ADM), Ben Madsen (Madsen LS); Jared Baloun (Jackson County); Pat Veraguth (Douglas County); Brian Praske (Carver County); Chris Mavis (Hennepin County); Christy Christensen (McLeod County); Mary Jean Becker (Koochiching County); David Zieglmeier (Anoka County); Ryan Stovern (St. Louis County); Preston Dowell (St. Louis County); Dan Baar (Ramsey Co); Pet Jenkins (MnDOT-Retired)

Meeting Summary

1. 2024 Grant Program Updates & Lessons Learned:

- 21 counties have completed their projects
 - All final payments made except for Big Stone County
- 13 counties have extensions to fully utilize remaining funds or finish up projects
 - 5 will be completed by June, 2026
 - The rest by June, 2027

\$1.3 million remaining

Lessons Learned:

- Modifying RFP language should be modified to make roles clear and that this is not a state procurement
- County needs to own the project
- Simplify reporting and reimbursement process

2. Land Survey Record Inventory

GAC Priority Assigned to this group

- Discussed:
 -  [MN_SurveyRecord_Inventory.xlsx](#)
 -  [2025 MN LSRI_ExecSum.docx](#)
 -  [2025 Minnesota Land Survey Record Inventory.docx](#)
- Group agrees this is complete but do want results linked to GLO/ PLSS/ Map Webpage

3. Legislation Briefing

- Land Surveyor Day at the capitol was ok. No senators showed up.
- Bills likely not going anywhere and no funding expected this session
- PLSS Legislative Subcommittee will be exploring new ways to go at the funding effort