

Midland Texas,  
June 6th 1932.

Hon. J. H. Walker,  
Commsr Gen Land Office  
Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

The following together with enclosed Sketch is a report of a survey made for the purpose of locating and marking Block "H". G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co. situated in Terrell and Val Verde Counties.

The oldest survey in this vicinity is that of Meyers Spring section No. 335, surveyed by L.C. Navarro Dec. 11. 1878, and for which the field notes of the surveys in this vicinity call to begin, directly or indirectly.

L.C. Navarro called Painted rock or Myers Spring to be in the center of section 335,

Block D-2 G.C. & S.F.R.R. Co. was surveyed by Chas Archer June 12, 1881, and he begins off the Myers spring section, Block H. section No. 1. begins at the S.W. cor of section 12 of Block D2.

Survey No. 6. Antonio Bustillas has an identified rock mound at its S.E. corner and is tied to Myers spring,

Block H. has a line of old corners called for in its field notes along the entire South line, but no identifiable corners are called for on any of the other lines.

Block H. must be constructed on its South line, and on its West line respecting the calls of the intervening surveys between Myers spring and the said West line of Block H.

Block Y. on the North and the Surveys on the East of Blk. H. are junior.

Block D7 on the South is older and must be respected, but there is no evidence whatever that any trouble will ever arise between the South line of Block H. and the North line of the D7 and D8 Blocks, In fact H.K. Pierce in running a connection from a survey on the Rio Grande to the South line of Block H. calls for the identical cor that I find at the S.E. cor of Block H.

I begin my survey at Meyers or Painted rock spring at a hole in wall of bluff from which a portion of the water of the spring issues,

Thence due East 8580 vrs (1906 vrs to the mile for the intervening surveys) to a point in the West line of Block H. G.C. & S/F. R.R. Co.

Thence S.  $0^{\circ} 7' W$ . 4778.7 vrs (1911.5 vrs for each mile) to old rock mound on a bare spot from which a cedar stump brs N.  $41^{\circ} E$ . 22 vrs, called for in the original field notes for survey No. 6. Antonio Bustillas, and also in the field notes of survey No. 5. Mrs M.C. Dunn.

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Thence S. 0° 7' W. 3814 vrs to a point, placed 2" iron pipe in cement on West side of Meyers Canyon for the S.W. cor of Block H.

Thence N. 89° 12' 20" E. at 564 vrs pass old rock mound large rock marked 564 vs E. S.W. D. , 1944 vrs in all set an iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 89° 12' 20" E. 1944 vrs set Iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 89° 12' 20" E. 1944 vrs set iron pipe in cement, in an old rock mound in brushy flat, small rock marked S.W. 302. D

Thence N 89° 15' E, 1915.4 vrs to old rock mound in brushy flat, small rock marked S.W. 303. D set I.P. in cement.

Thence N. 89° 18' 40" E. 1913.5 vrs to old rock mound small rock marked S.W. 304 D set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 89° 13' E. 1930 vrs set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N 88° 59' 30" E. 1930 vrs set iron pipe in cement.

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Thence N. 88° 52' E. 1930 vrs to old rock mound rock broken lengthwise marked marked S.W. 320 D set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 89° E. 1972 vrs to an old rock mound rock marked S.W. 319 D set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 88° 51' 30" E, 1948 vrs to old rock mound rock marked S.W. 318 D set iron pipe in cement

Thence N. 88° 47' E, 1987 vrs to old rock mound 2 ft high on West edge of low cap rock rock marked N.E. 104 D Peak at North end ridge brs N. 64° 30' E. set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 88° 47' E. 1974 vrs to old rock mound rock marked S.W. 316. D set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 88° 55' E, 1944 vrs to old rock mound a 12"x12"x2", rock marked S.W. 315. D set iron pipe in cement.

Thence N. 88° 53' E. 1960 vrs to large rock mound, rock broken in two pieces marked S.E. 315 D. set iron pipe in cement. for the S.E. cor of Block H. G.C. & S.F. Ry Co. H.K. Pierce in his report of a survey of a connection from a survey on the Rio Grande to section 4, Block D8. found this corner and describes it exactly.

In this connection it is also significant that the original surveyor of Block H. describes the N.E. cor of section 104, Block D7. in the correct position (allowing the excess of 44 vrs per mile) with relation to Meyers spring, - He describes it as the N.E. cor of section 104 and so marks it on one of the rocks composing the corner.

The North line of Block H. is constructed on a course of N. 89° 02' E. to the intersection with the East line, which is carried North parallel to the West line of Block H. as established, and given the same North-South length as the said West line. Block Y being junior cannot influence this construction, A line drawn from the S.W. corner to the S.E. corner of Block H. will take a course of N. 89° 02' E. but the old rock mounds found along the South line of Block H. will not fall in this line, but are in a long sweeping curve, from the S.W. to the S.E. cor of the Block, hence the North-South line of each section of the South tier will vary in length from 1905 to a maximum of 1944 vrs.

The North line of the South tier of section however, I make a straight line. and on a course of N. 89° 02' E. all other East-West lines through the Block are parallel to this line.

The old rock mound marked N.E. 104 D7. is the proper distance with the excess from the S.W. corner of Block H. which is 12 miles with average excess of 44 vrs per mile, this places section 104 Block D7 in proper position with relation to Meyers spring; but it is to be noted that in the field notes of section 79 Blk. H. this N.E. 104 D7 rock is called for at the S.W. cor of section 79, when it is actually at the S.W. cor of section 78. on the ground, and it must be there to be in the proper position for the N.E. cor of sec 104. In like manner all the old marked rock mounds found on the ground are actually called for in the field notes one mile out of position

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Taking the old rock mound marked N.E.104 D7. as the S.W. corner of section 79 Blk.H. then section 79 would fill the place on the ground that section 78 occupies, that is if section 78 is located the proper number of miles East from Meyers spring, allowing space on the ground for all the intervening sections,

This, therefore is obviously an error in the field notes calling for the S.E. cor of the survey when the S.W. corner is intended. The Surveyor did not make a mistake, however in calling it the N.E. cor of section 104.

Full detail of corner descriptions, both of the Originals found and those placed by me are shown on certified sketch submitted herewith.

Very Truly Yours,

*Robt E Ester*

Licensed Land Surveyor,  
Midland, Texas

Sketch File No. 23.

TERRELL (+ Val Verde) County

R.E. Estes Report on Survey  
of Sections in Blk. H.

Filed August 26th 1933

J. H. Walker, Comm.

C. F. Blucher

File Clerk

Descriptive: 35 Mi. S. 80° E. Sanderson

See Sk. File 24 for Surveyor's Sketch

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Del Rio, Tex.  
August 24, 1932.

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Hon. J. H. Walker,  
General Land Commissioner,  
Austin, Tex.

Dear Sir :-

I am herewith sending you a certified copy of the sketch and the signed original report, of the land survey which Robert E. Estes of Midland, made for me on Block H<sub>2</sub> of Terrell and Valverde Counties.

This survey and report was completed June 6, and I thought that I could bring it to Austin personally. But I have been delayed in getting to Austin so I am sending it on to you by mail.

After you and Mr. Clarke examine this sketch and report, and compare it with the original records you have on file in your office, please let me know whether this work as evidenced by the report, is satisfactory and acceptable to the land office.

All of the interested land owners who own land with any permanent improvements in Block -H-, were notified by registered mail of this contemplated survey, before this work was started, and several of them were with the surveying crew a different times while we were working.

Our survey did not change the ownership of any permanent improvements of importance, unless it might be the claim to some fencing which does not fall on the lines located by Mr. Estes. However, in view of the fact that this work was so carefully tied up to Meyer's Spring in Section 335, as well as the plainly marked and identifiable old rock piles on the west line ~~xxxx~~ and the south line of Block -H-, no one has expressed any desire to dispute or contest the relocation of the section lines and corners as shown in Mr. Estes' sketch and report. I trust that this report which shows the ~~xxx~~ location of the iron pipe which we marked and placed on the corners of the land in which we were interested, will meet your requirements, and will be placed in your files to become a part of the permanent records concerning Block -H-

Yours sincerely,

A. F. Holdeman  
214 Central St.  
Del Rio, Tex.

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