

Land-Grant Legacy – Your Connection

Information collected here will be used to validate the land grant map data. By completing these questions you agree to share information on this public website.

To complete these questions you will need access to the property's "Abstract of Title."

Once validated (within 1 – 2 weeks of submission), the parcel color will change to gold and an email confirmation sent.

Landowners of validated property will be extended opportunities to participate in future ISU Extension and Outreach promotions, activities and incentives related to the land-grant legacy program.

Legal Description from Abstract (not the web map)

County _____ Township _____ Range _____ Section _____ (required)

Original Quarter Section location descriptor

Most land-grant parcels were issued as ¼ sections (160 acres) parcels. Please identify the ¼ section descriptor which is generally found in the initial land description or in the first transaction to a private owner. (ex. N ½ -NE ¼ or S ½ - SW ¼)

_____ ½ - _____ ¼ (required)

Additional information: Please explain if the tract is still: a) ¼ section, b) part of a large tract, c) subdivided into smaller parcels or lots. (Limited to 200 words)

Abstract Validation:

Please record the verbiage from abstract on the first conveyances/transfers of ownership; starting with the federal government to the state of Iowa, up until the transfer to the first private owner: (required) OR A clear, legible photograph of the abstract page with this information may be electronically submitted with the form instead of completing the box below.

Action	From : to	Action Process	Date
<i>Example:</i> 1	<i>United States to State of Iowa</i>	<i>Act of Congress</i>	<i>06/02/1862</i>

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Current landowner(s): (required)

Name: _____

Contact info (email and phone): _____

Information submitted by: (if not current land owner)

Name: _____

Contact info (email and phone): _____

Submit the Form for Validation

1. Complete this form and save document using your last name to complete the file name, e.g., JonesParcel.pdf or HummelParcel.pdf
2. If you are submitting multiple forms, add sequential numbers following your name, e.g., JonesParcel1.pdf and JonesParcel2.pdf
3. Attach the document to an email and send to landgranthistory@iastate.edu
4. Landowners may also share information about the land, family ownership and use, and connections to Iowa State University using the [Submit a land grant parcel story](#) form at <https://www.landgrant.iastate.edu/submit-land-grant-parcel-story>

ISU Extension and Outreach Validation of Map Data

1. Abstract information forms will be reviewed and determination made if land is a land grant parcel.
2. Landowner will be notified of positive validation, or of an error in the map data and invalidation.
3. If validation is positive, color of parcel on map will be changed to gold; landowner will receive certificate stating validation of land as a land grant parcel, and invitations to participate in local and state land grant legacy recognitions.