ABSTRACT. Let M be a proximinal subset of the normed linear space X with metric projection P_M. Suppose that either M is an one dimensional subspace or that the set $\{x \in X | P_M(x)$ is a singleton $\}$ is dense in X. Then P_M has a continuous selection if and only if P_M is "2-continuous". Whether this characterization is valid for arbitrary proximinal sets is not known