

TRACY POND
T3 R10, Piscataquis Co.
U. S. G. S. Harrington Lake, Me.

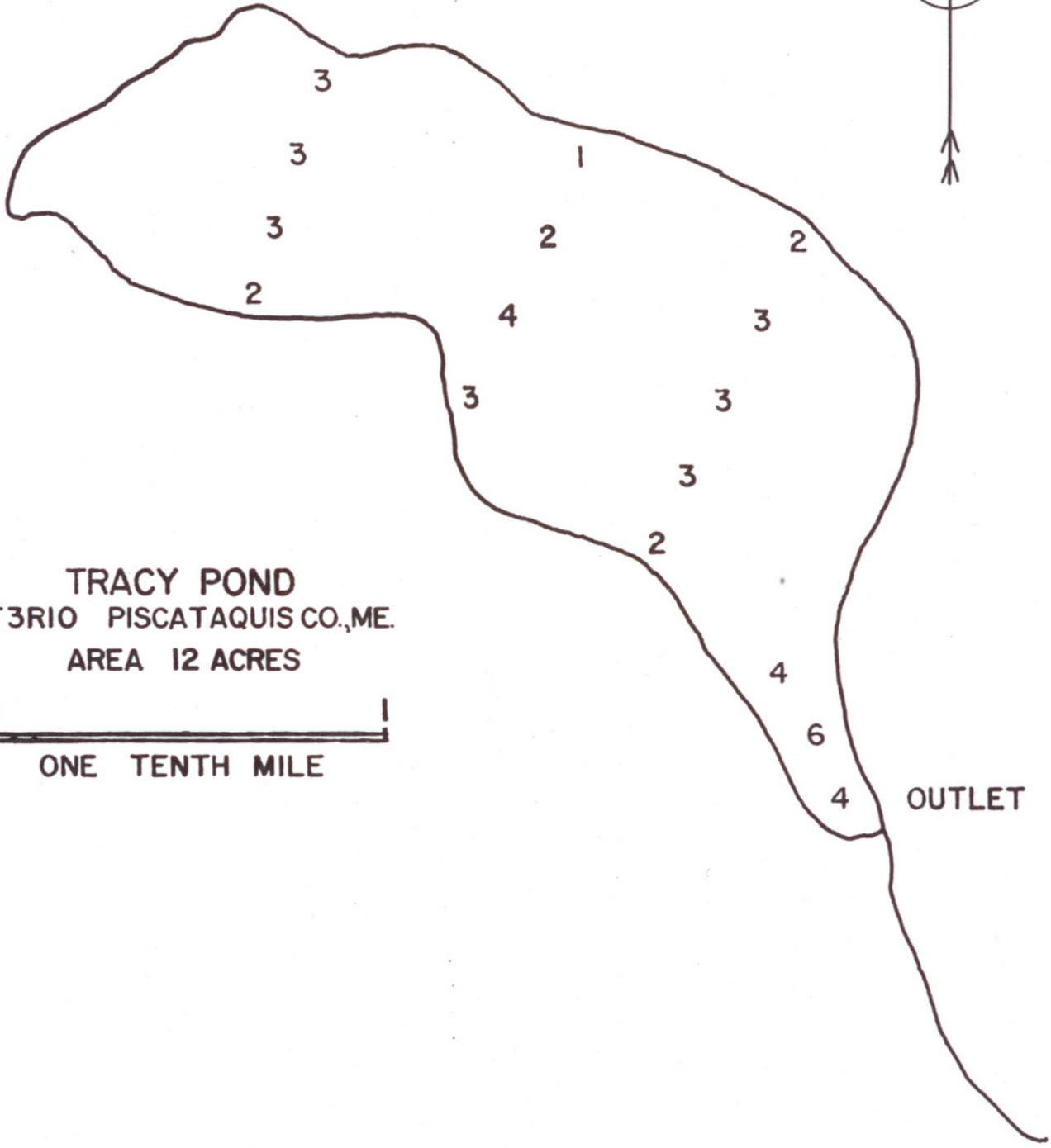
Brook trout (squaresail)	Fishes	Minnows
		Finescale dace
Area - 12 acres	Physical Characteristics	Temperatures
Maximum depth - 4 feet		Surface - 60° F.
Principal Fishery - Brook trout		4 feet - 60° F.

Tracy Pond is a small and extremely shallow body of water situated in Baxter State Park within 25 yards of the Nesowadnehunk tote road. The shoreline is cedar, spruce and fir with some small boggy areas. Much of the bottom is firm mud or rocky, gravelly areas partly covered by mud. Moose are often seen in the pond, feeding upon the emergent and submerged aquatic vegetation found growing there.

The water temperature of Tracy Pond is influenced predominantly by the air temperature and, being so shallow, the pond probably freezes to the bottom some winters. Trout may survive in the spring inlet or in a 5 to 6 foot hole near the old beaver dam at the outlet. The trout population is small and most of the adults were in the deep hole near the outlet at the time of our survey,

The inlet brook is cold and has sufficient spawning and nursery area to produce more trout than can probably survive through the winter in the pond in most years. An increase in water level is probably the only way by which this pond could be helped to produce more trout. At times, beaver have accomplished this improvement by building a dam at the outlet.

Baxter State Park regulations are sufficient to protect these waters.



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OUTLET