

WEST PIKE BROOK POND
T18MD, Washington Co.
U.S.G.S. Cherryfield, ME(7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout
Minnows
Golden shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area- 32 acres	Temperatures
	Surface- 75°
Maximum depth- 32 feet	18 feet- 63°
	30 feet- 48°

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

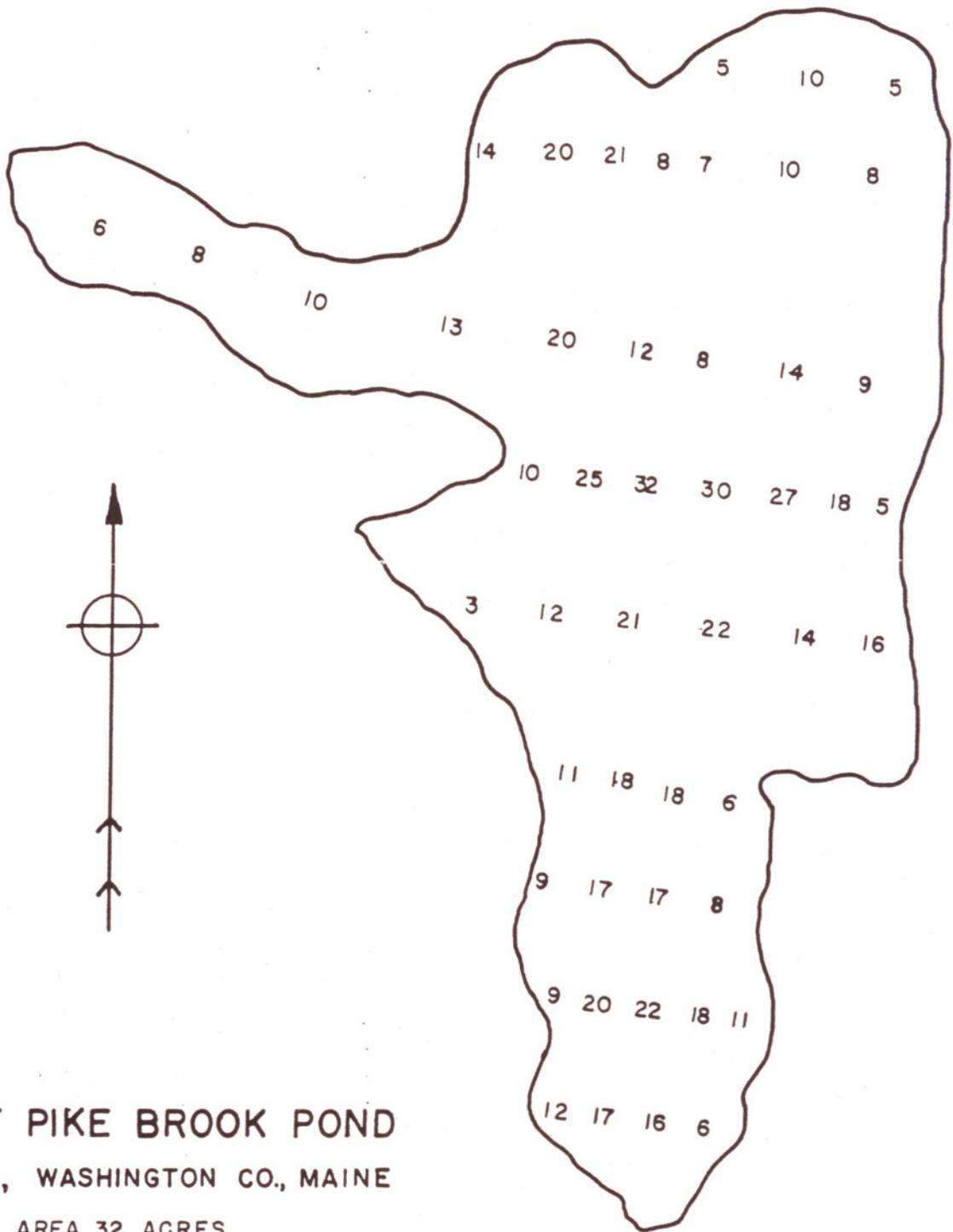
West Pike Brook Pond is located in the blueberry barrens of Washington County. Access is over a fairly rough gravel road. A 4-wheel drive vehicle is advisable in the spring. Canoes/small boats can be launched at a site near the western end of the pond.

This small, clear-water pond was reclaimed in 1987 to permit intensive management for brook trout. Since then, the pond has produced good spring fishing for 8 to 10 inch age I trout, but only fair fishing for 14 to 16 inch age II trout. The pond is heavily fished for about a month following ice-out. Creel survey data showed that a heavy harvest of age I trout substantially reduced the number of trout which survived to age II. Trout of this age comprised only 5% of the harvest in the late 1980's. In order to capitalize on the pond's proven

ability to grow well proportioned 14 to 16 inch trout, the following restrictive regulations are in effect: artificial lures only and a daily bag limit of 2 trout. If anglers comply with these regulations, an improved fishery for the desirable larger trout should result.

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