

UPPER POND
Bristol Twp., Lincoln County
U.S.G.S. Bristol Maine

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) Pumpkinseed sunfish
Chain pickerel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 10 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 80° F
Maximum depth - 22 feet	22 feet - 52° F

Principal Fishery: Brook trout, chain pickerel

Upper Pond is a small, isolated, clear water pond located east of Route 130 in Bristol. Public access is restricted to snowmobile trails that go by the pond. Canoes or car-top boats are suitable watercraft for fishing the pond.

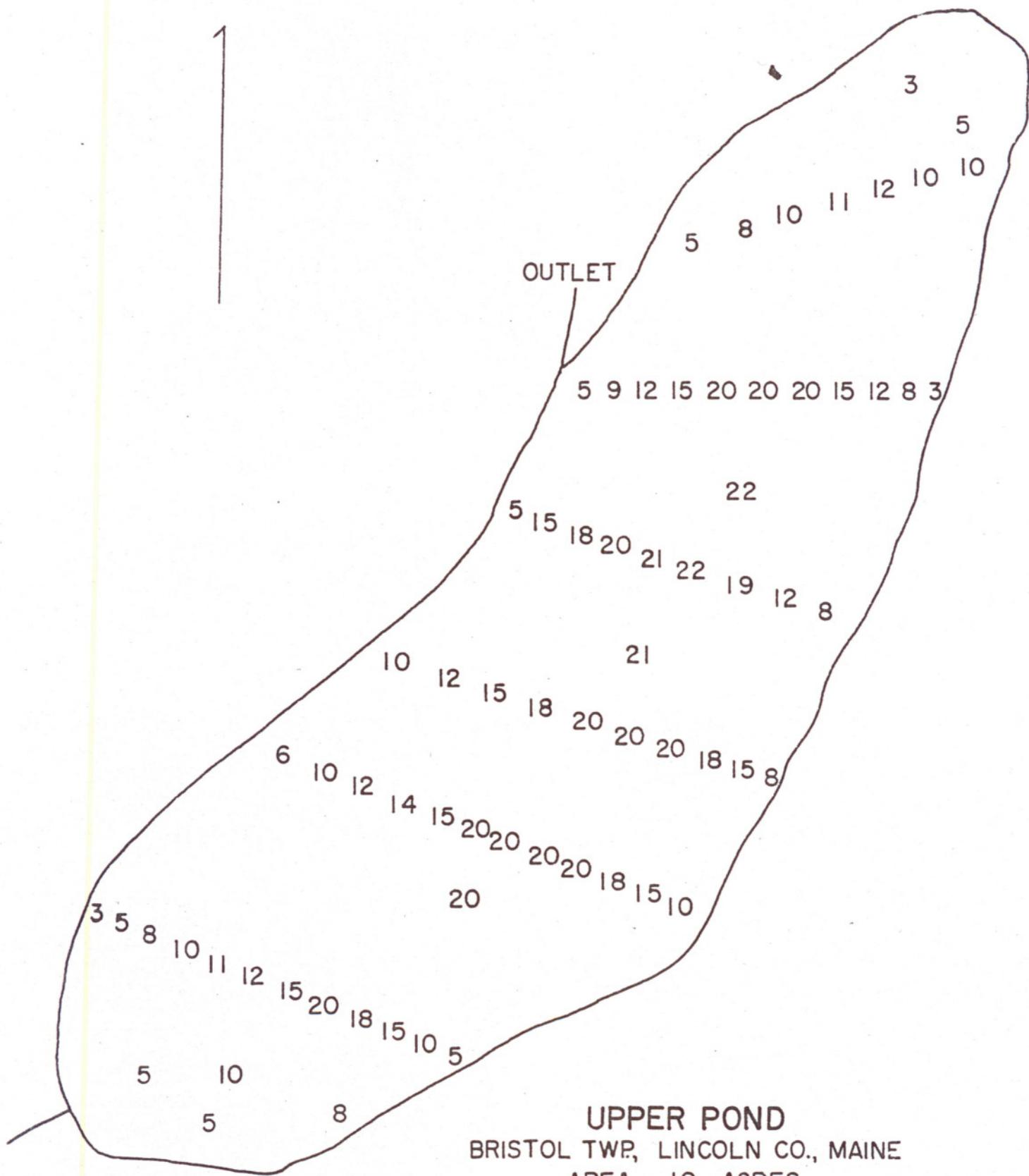
Our 1985 survey of Upper pond found only chain pickerel and sunfish in the pond. Water quality was determined to be adequate for brook trout. A spring yearling brook trout stocking program commenced in 1986. The fish were stocked by aircraft. Additionally, the pond was closed to ice fishing to slow exploitation and enhance survival of the trout to older age classes.

Anglers reported good fishing until the summer of 1988. The poor fishing reported in 1988 was confirmed by our failure to locate any brook trout during our 1988 survey. The failure of the 1988 stocking was believed to be related to stocking technique. Future stockings will utilize 4 wheel drive vehicles.

Brook trout management at Upper Pond would benefit greatly if the pond was chemically reclaimed to remove the sunfish and pickerel. If agreement with local landowners can be secured, the Department, in cooperation with the Samoset Fish and Game Club, will proceed with the reclamation.

Anglers who use Upper Pond can assist fishery biologist by reporting their catches to: 8 Federal Street, Augusta, ME, 04330.

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