

**BROWN BROOK POND**  
**T9R9, Piscataquis Co.**  
**U.S.G.S. Millinocket Lake, Me.**

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Physical Characteristics

Area — 6 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth — 4 feet

Surface — 70° F.

4 feet — 65° F.

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

Brown Brook Pond is a small, remote pond which contains an excellent brook trout fishery. Heath and bog make up the shoreline of the north and west sides of the pond with rocky areas on the other sides. The bottom is primarily black muck, common to many shallow ponds of this type. Water temperatures become warm during the summer but are moderated by cool spring influences.

An inactive beaver dam on the pond outlet is a hinderance to fish movement. Five more dams, three of which are inactive, are present in the first half-mile downstream. Their removal may be necessary in the future to allow trout access to excellent spawning and nursery areas in the stream below. Two four-foot-high natural falls are effective barriers to upstream migration of competitive species of fish. The native brook trout population in Brown Brook Pond maintains itself by spawning in spring influences and one very small tributary.

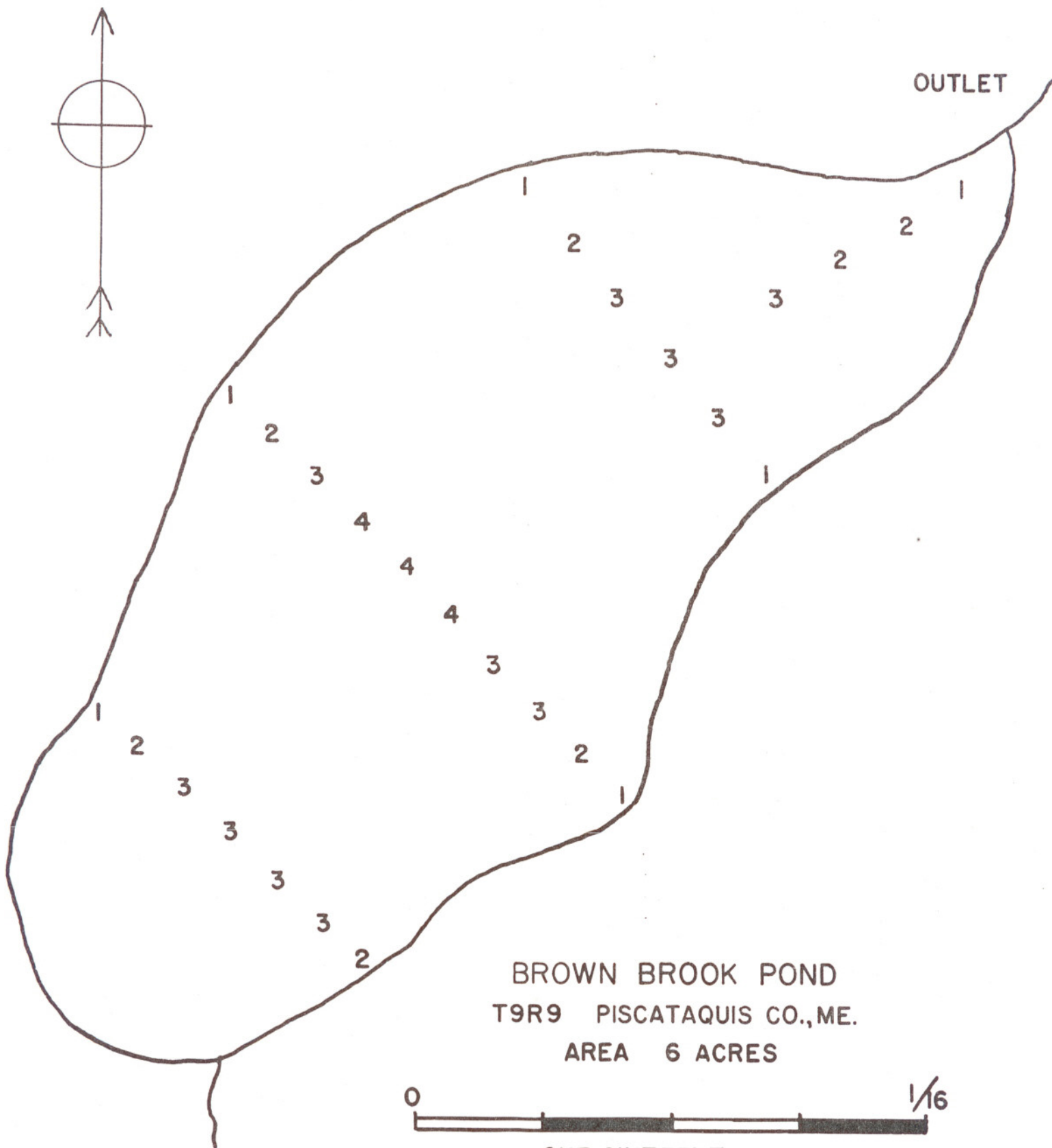
Brook trout are the only fish present in Brown Brook Pond and a "No Live Fish as Bait" regulation is recommended to prevent possible introduction of competing species.

Currently the only means of access is by a two and one-half mile walk through the woods from the Pinkham Lumber Co. road, or a three-mile trail up Yerxa Brook from Munsungan Lake.

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