

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

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Minnows
Redbelly dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 38 acres

Temperatures
Surface - 68° F.
24 feet - 65° F.

Maximum depth - 26 feet

Daicey Pond is one of several good trout ponds located in the Southwest corner of Baxter State Park. The sporting camps on some of these ponds were there prior to the establishment of the park, and they have binding agreements about their continued operation as commercial enterprises.

The road to Daicey Pond Camps is private, and permission from the proprietor is necessary to use the camp's access facilities. The Appalachian Trail passes very close to the pond.

The pond is mostly shallow, but at this latitude and elevation, most waters remain cool enough to support trout populations. A small minnow is the only other species of fish living with the trout. These minnows naturally consume some of the food, but the larger trout feed on them.

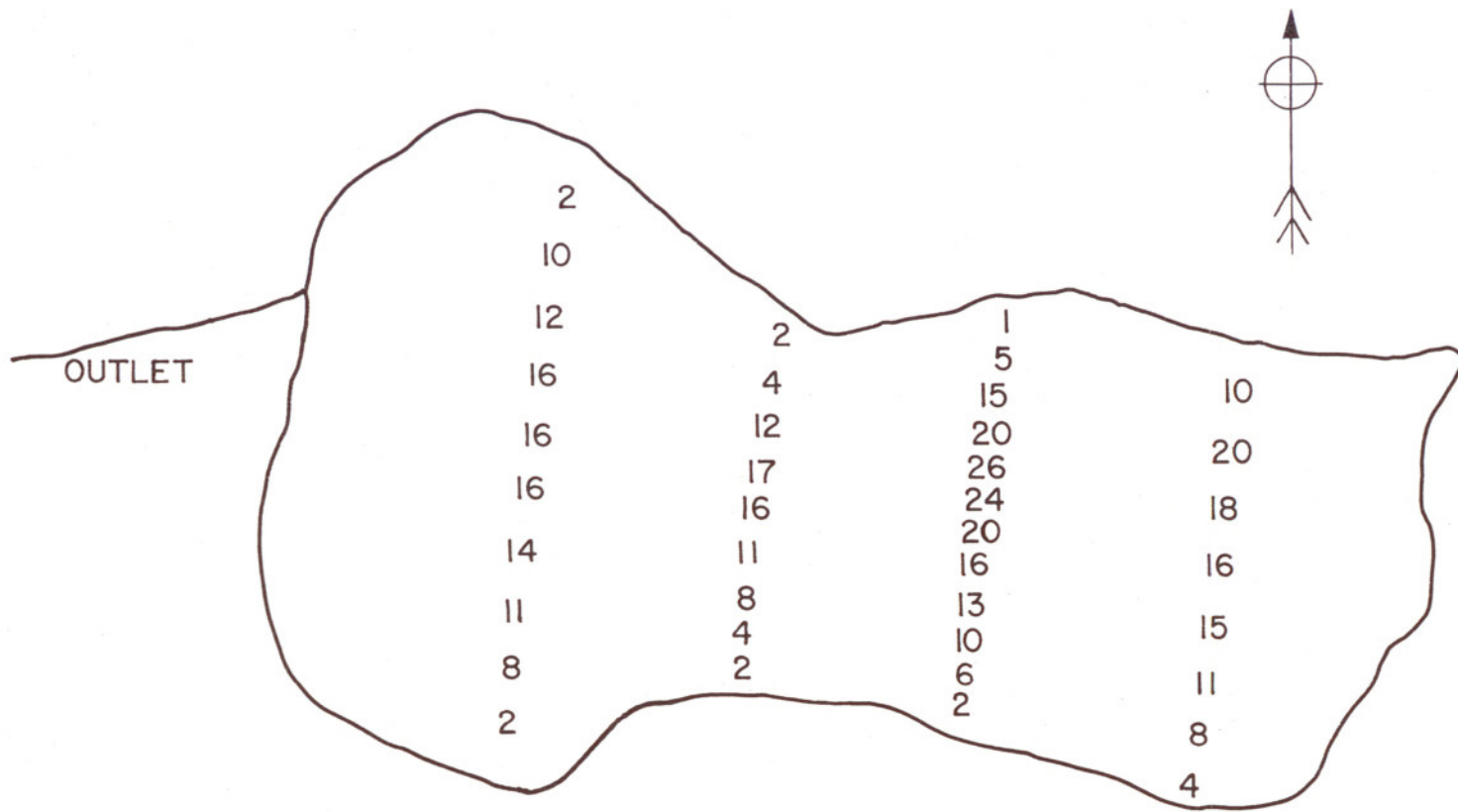
Daicey Pond has no tributaries, and the outlet is of little value as a spawning area for trout. However, there are many gravel bars where trout can spawn successfully.

Daicey Pond is protected by the Baxter Park bag limit of five trout, and it also has a fly-fishing-only regulation. The pond should never be without a regulation that would prevent introductions of additional species.

This pond has been stocked regularly with hatchery trout; a procedure considered unnecessary and undesirable. Wild

trout have many desirable qualities that hatchery trout lack. The practice of mixing hatchery trout with a perfectly good wild population is poor fishery management. The stocking of hatchery trout should be discontinued.

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