

FIFTH DEBSCONEAG LAKE  
T1 R11 and T2 R11, Piscataquis Co.  
U.S.G.S. Harrington Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)	Minnows (cont'd)
Yellow perch	Creek chub
Minnows	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Common shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 83 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 68° F.
Maximum depth - 42 feet	40 feet - 45° F.

Fifth Debsconeag Lake is a small trout lake most easily accessible by airplane. The area surrounding the lake was severely burned during the Rainbow Fire of 1924. The granite-strewn hills are quite bare even now, except for some poplars and white birch.

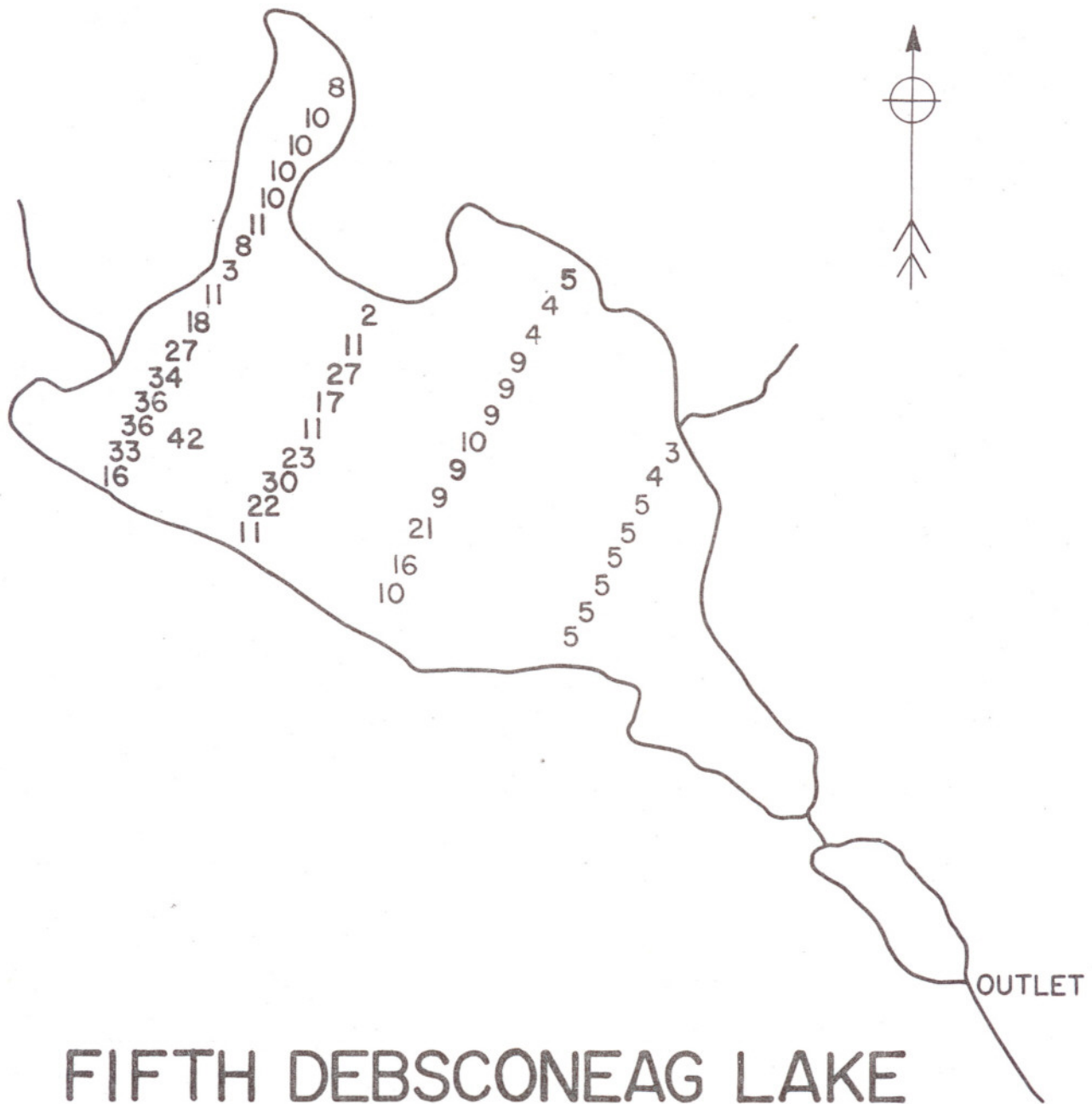
The water quality of Fifth Debsconeag Lake is good except for reduced oxygen concentrations below a depth of 35 feet. Brook trout grow well, and management will continue to be for this species. Anglers have reported catches of trout in the 5-pound class.

The lower portion of the tributary from Sixth Debsconeag has good spawning gravel, but it is obstructed by beaver dams and debris. There are gravel bars along the shore of the lake which may be used by spawning brook trout.

The outlet consists of very steep falls and cascades impassable to upstream movement of fish. The removal of the old driving dam at the outlet would serve little purpose because of the presence of the falls.

Yellow perch, chubs, and sunfish prey on and compete with trout. Suckers are fortunately absent. The use or possession of live fish as bait should be prohibited so that additional competitor fish are not introduced via the bait pail.

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