

ALDER POND
T3 R3, Somerset Co.
U.S.G.S. Penobscot Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)	Minnows (cont'd)
White sucker	Creek chub
Longnose sucker	Finescale dace
Minnows	Redbelly dace
Common shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 37 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 66° F.
Maximum depth - 8 feet	7 feet - 66° F.

Alder Pond lies about 18 miles northeast of Jackman in a remote wilderness. The best way to reach the pond is by driving a 4-wheel-drive-vehicle over a network of old logging roads. Fishermen should check with local authorities on existing road conditions.

This narrow, kidney-shaped pond is bordered on the northeast by a low ridge which separates the pond from Fish Brook. Alder Pond has two outlets which flow about 50 yards through notches in the ridge to Fish Brook. Because the pond and brook lie at nearly the same elevation, the brook's deadwaters fill and flow back into the pond during periods of high water.

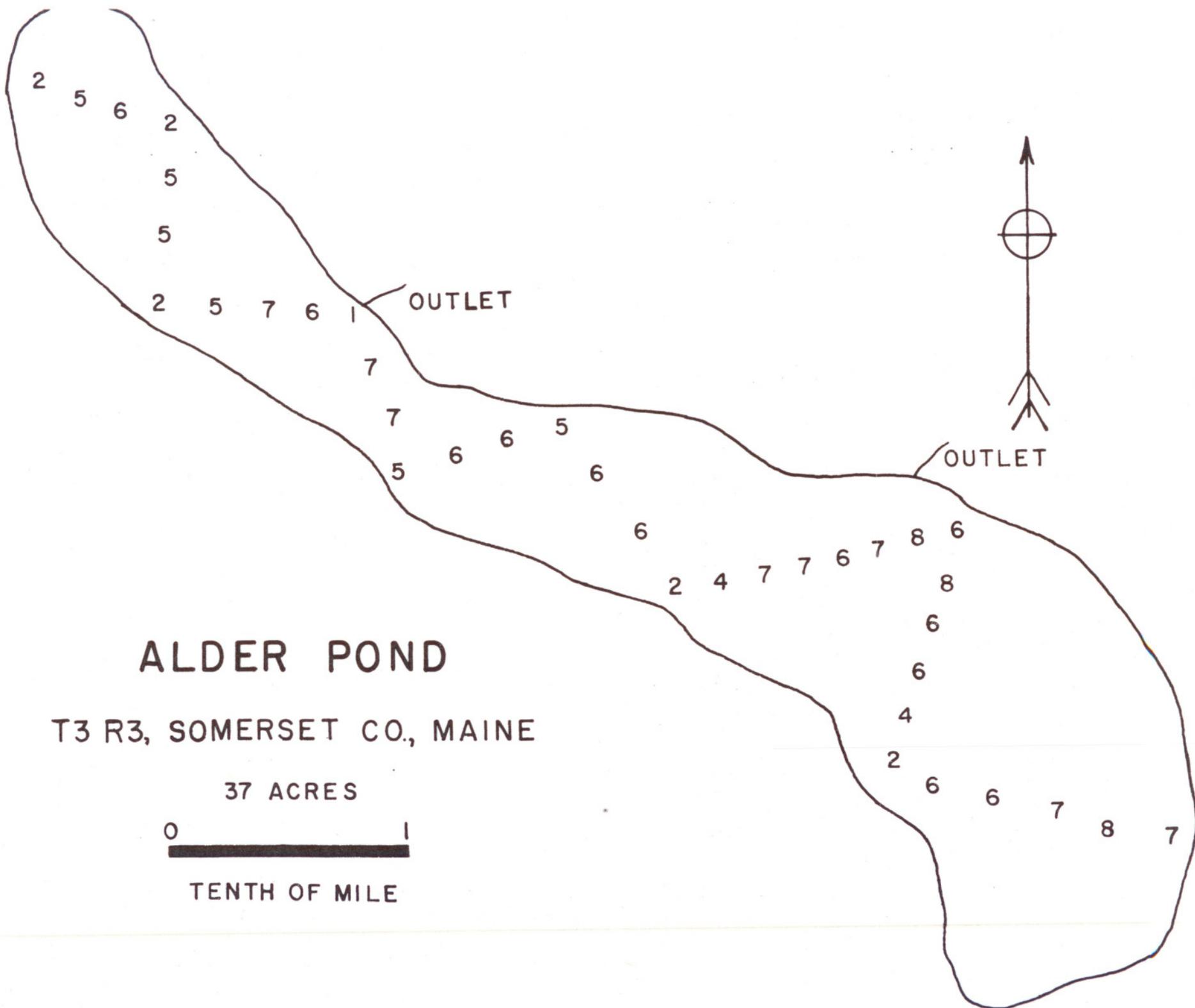
The oxygen content is high throughout Alder Pond, and water temperatures were suitable for coldwater game fish during our survey. If water temperatures should become too warm for trout during a summer hot spell, the two, small, spring-fed tributaries would provide some cool water.

Alder Pond has an excellent population of brook trout. Trout probably spawn in the larger (northerly) outlet and along gravelly shoreline areas. The two tributaries have little gravel, but they do furnish nursery areas for small trout. Large numbers of aquatic insects and small minnows provide the trout with an ample diet.

The Alder Pond trout population is protected adequately by the general law regulation, but as fishing pressure increases it may be necessary to enact more restrictive regulations.

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