

MIDDLE & LOWER UNKNOWN LAKES

T4 ND, Hancock County
U.S.G.S. Nicasious Lake, Me.

Fishes

Smallmouth bass	Hornpout (bullhead)
White perch	Minnows
Yellow perch	Fallfish
Chain pickerel	Banded killifish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 269 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 25 feet

Surface - 74° F.

25 feet - 50° F.

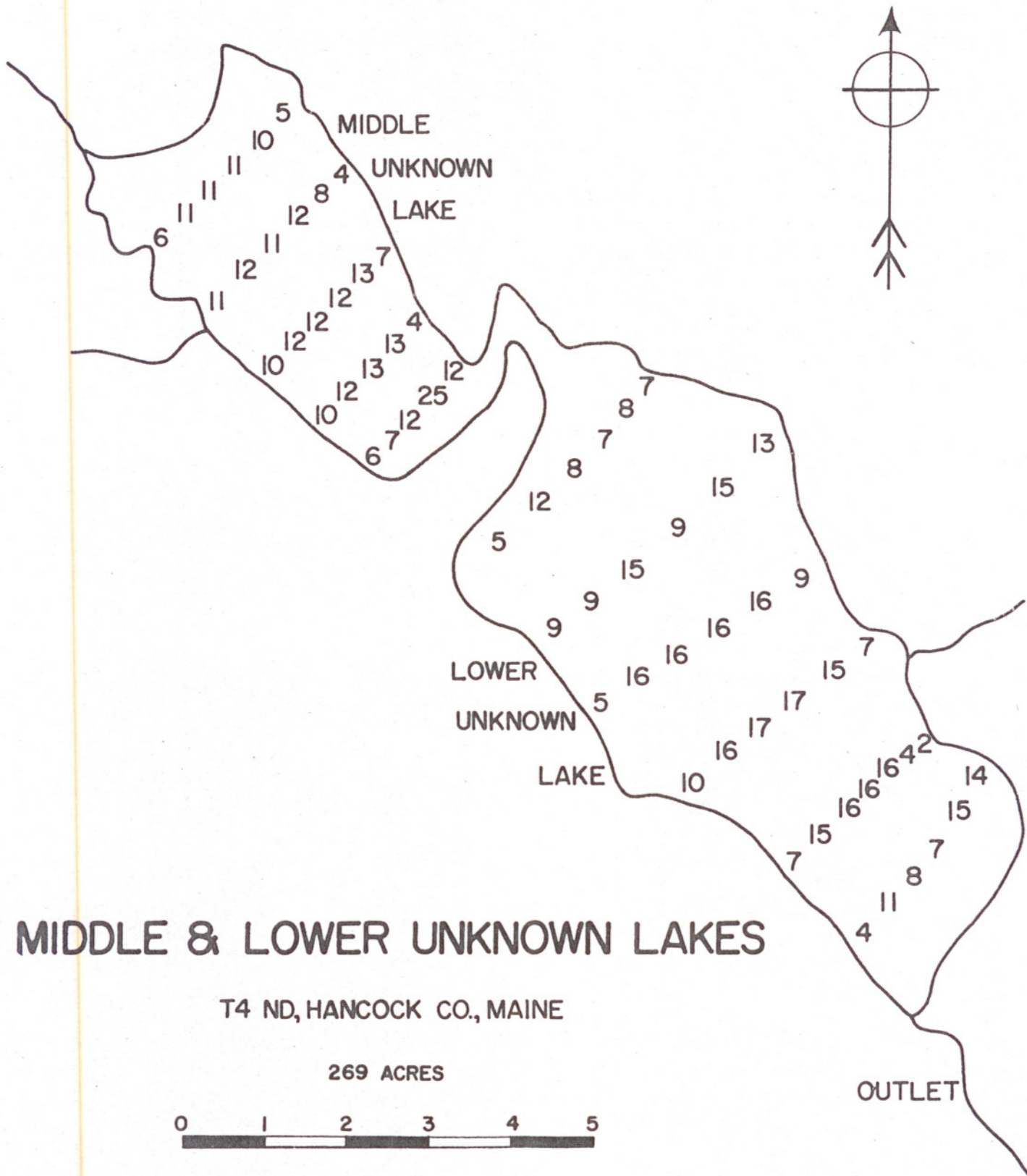
Middle (90 acres) and Lower (179 acres) Unknown Lakes are treated as a single lake because they are separated only by a highway culvert, allowing free movement of the fish populations. An excellent camping and swimming area is maintained by the Maine Forest Service on the sand pit separating the two lake basins (see map). You can drive to the site in the latest model cars: from the south via the "Airline" (Route 9), thence out the so-called Beddington C.C.C. road; from the north from Route 16, thence out the Duck Lake road. There are reasonably good facilities for boat launching. The lakes drain into Fourth Machias Lake via Unknown Stream.

We recommend that fish management for Middle and Lower Unknown Lakes emphasize the existing and well-established populations of warmwater game fishes. The one tiny deep hole, though cold enough for trout or salmon, is deficient in dissolved oxygen. Stocking of coldwater game fish is not recommended for these lakes. The bass, perch, pickerel, and hornpout should maintain themselves nicely through natural reproduction. Plenty of ideal spawning and nursery area is present for these species.

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