

LOWER SPRINGY POND

Otis Twp., Hancock Co. and Clifton Twp.,
Penobscot Co.
U.S.G.S. Hopkins Pond, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Creek chub
Splake	Fallfish(chub)
Rainbow smelt	White sucker
White perch	Hornpout(bullhead)
Yellow perch	Threespine stickleback
Chain pickerel	Redbreast sunfish
Minnows	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Golden shiner	American eel
Common shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 114 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 71 °F
Maximum depth - 44 feet	44 feet - 49 °F

Principal fishery: Splake, white perch, chain pickerel

This water is located in the upper part of the Union River drainage. Access is over a gravel road which leaves Route 180 in Clifton and goes by the pond which is moderately developed with camps. A poor boat launch site is available near the outlet.

The pond contains a moderate volume of cool, well-oxygenated water suitable for salmonids. Salmon were stocked for many years, and provided periods of satisfactory angling. However, during those intervals when smelt were not plentiful, most of the salmon were small and

skinny. Because splake can grow reasonably well eating forage other than smelt, management was switched to this species in 1995. A netting check conducted in the summer of 1999 revealed that growth rate of age II+ fish was good. The sampling captured one older aged splake which weighed nearly 3 lb. Splake are probably utilizing juvenile perch as one of their primary prey.

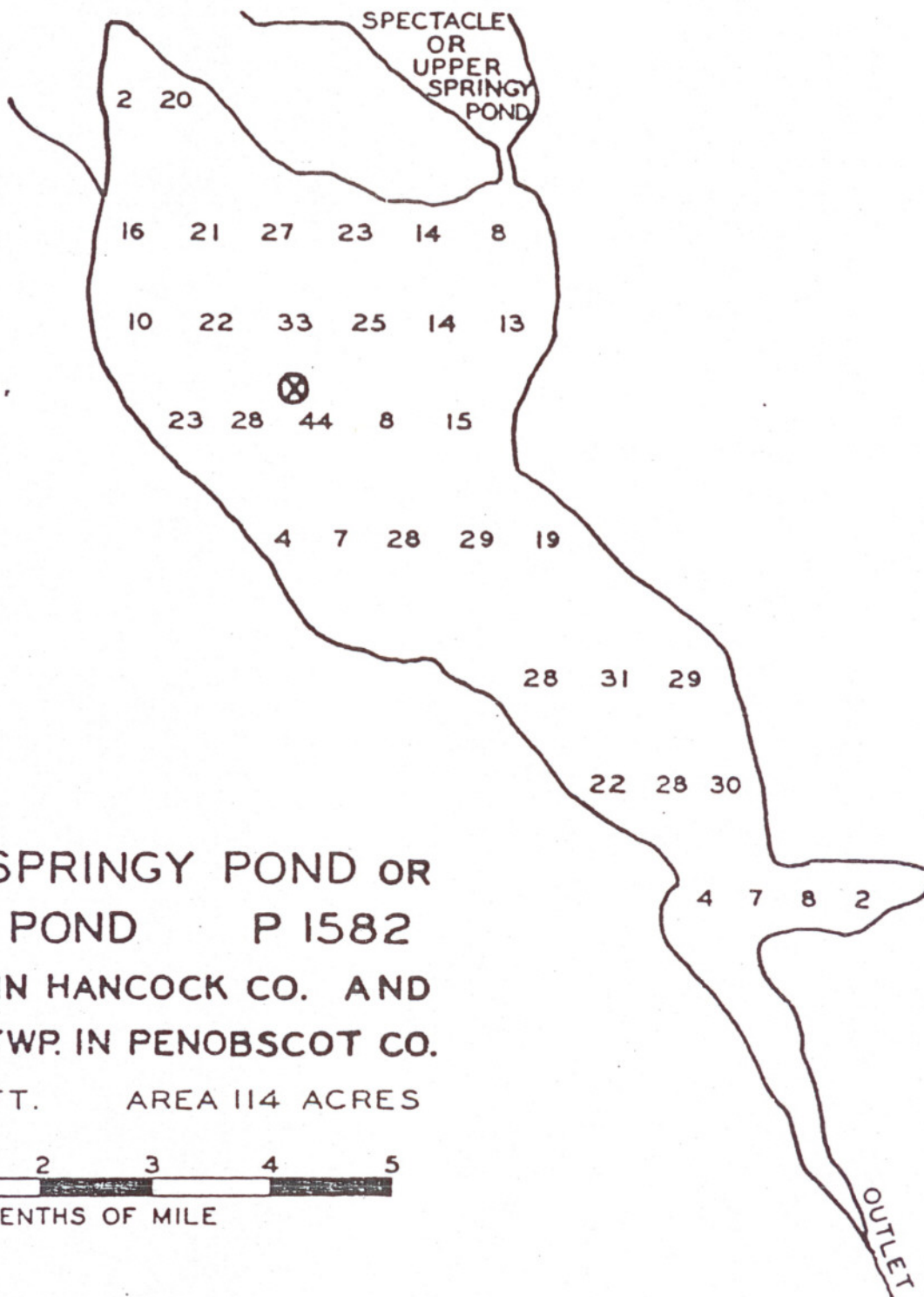
A few wild salmon are occasionally crealed. These fish are born in the outlet, and move up into the lake after a year or two.

White perch provide some good sport. The netting sample included about a dozen perch which averaged an attractive 11 in long.

Surveyed - August, 1942

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GRASSY POND P 1582
OTIS TWP. IN HANCOCK CO. AND
CLIFTON TWP. IN PENOBSCOT CO.
ELEV. 277 FT. AREA 114 ACRES

