

PRATT LAKE
T11R9, Aroostook Co.
U.S.G.S. Farrar Pond, Me. (7 1/2')

Access to Pratt Lake in via the American Realty Road with
boat launching and parking space available.

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Minnows (cont'd)
Brook trout	Fallfish (chub)
Rainbow smelt	Pearl dace
Yellow perch	White sucker
Minnows	Hornpout (bullhead)
Golden shiner	Banded killifish
Common shiner	Threespine stickleback
Blacknose dace	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Creek chub	American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 96 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 11 feet

Surface - 65° F

10 feet - 65° F

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Pratt Lake is located on Rocky Brook, the main inlet to Big Machias Lake in the Aroostook River drainage. Most of the lake is less than 10 feet deep with equal water temperatures at all depths. Water temperatures become high during the summer and trout move to the cool-water influence of the inlet and/or spring influence.

Pratt Lake supports especially abundant populations of yellow perch, suckers, sunfish, and minnows. These fish are serious competitors for gamefish and reduce trout production considerably.

The trout fishery is maintained by natural reproduction in Rocky Brook and Indian Brook and by movement of trout from adjoining waters. Occasional salmon are taken by anglers.

Smelt eggs were experimentally planted in 1985, 1986, and 1988 by the Department in an attempt to provide a fishery for sport fishermen and a supply of smelts for bait dealers. Early indications suggest that a population has become established.

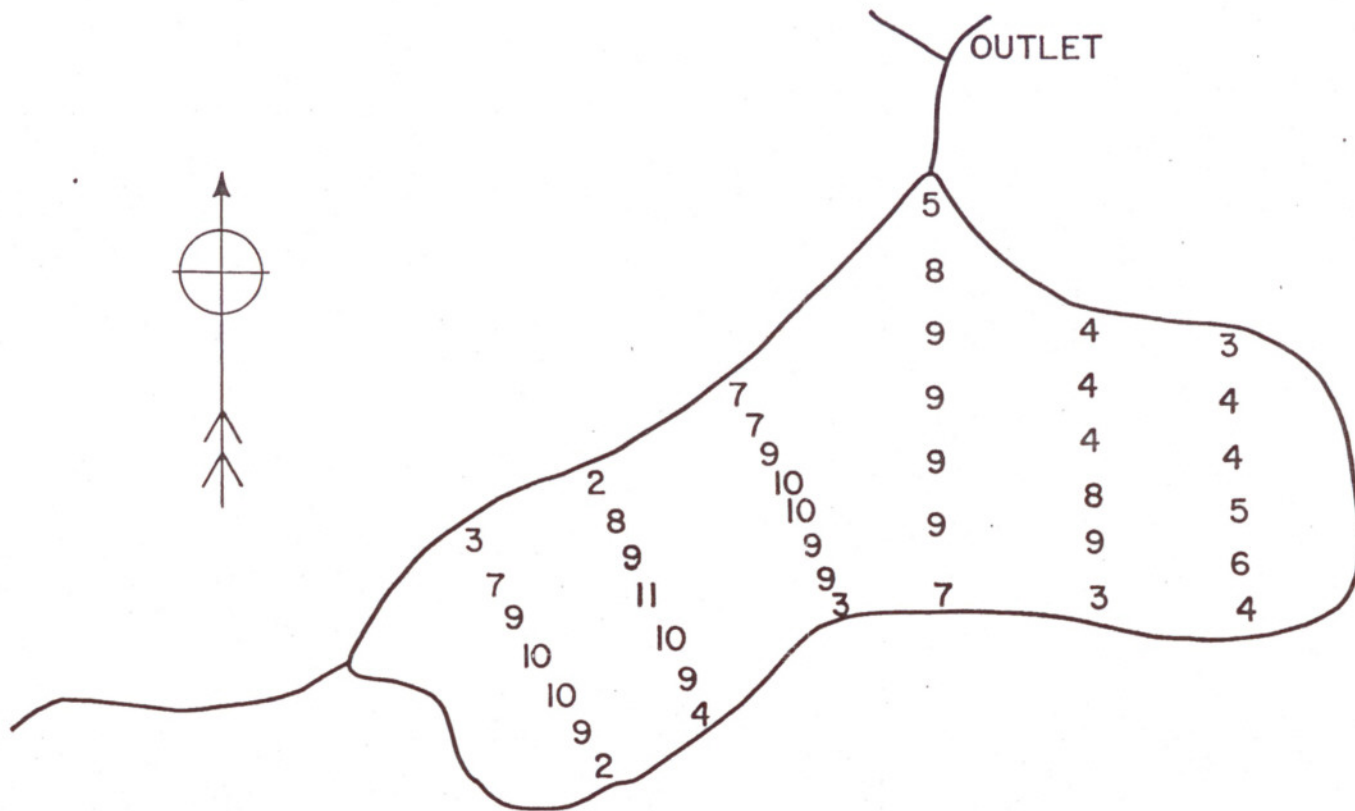
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