

LOVEWELL POND

Fryeburg, Oxford, Co.

U.S.G.S. Fryeburg & Brownfield, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brown trout	Minnows
Lake whitefish	Golden shiner
Rainbow smelt	Common shiner
Smallmouth bass	Fallfish (chub)
Largemouth bass	White sucker
White perch	Hornpout (bullhead)
Yellow perch	Burbot (cusk)
Chain Pickerel	Pumpkinseed sunfish
	American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 1,120 acres

Temperatures

Surface - 74°F

Maximum depth - 45 feet

35 feet - 60°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, white perch, chain pickerel

Lovewell Pond, located southeast of Fryeburg, is a sizable water which provides excellent angling opportunities for warmwater fish. The pond consists of a single, square shaped basin and its moderately developed shoreline gradually slopes to deeper water.

This water thermally stratifies each summer, and depending on the year, little-to-no cool, oxygenated water is available for salmonid management. The large number of competing warmwater fish species further limits the potential for coldwater fisheries management. Yet, interest

for a coldwater fishery existed and a brown trout stocking program was initiated in the mid 1980's. Large, fall stocked fish are utilized due to their ability to compete better with the warmwater fish species. Brown trout are primarily available for winter, spring, and early summer angling; however, a few larger holdovers in the 3 to 5 range are occasionally caught. Annual stocking is required to maintain this fishery due to a lack of suitable spawning and nursery habitat.

In 1993, biologists from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife caught several lake whitefish in their sampling gear. It is uncertain if the whitefish population is large enough to support a fishery. These fish may have been transient individuals that entered the pond from the Saco River.

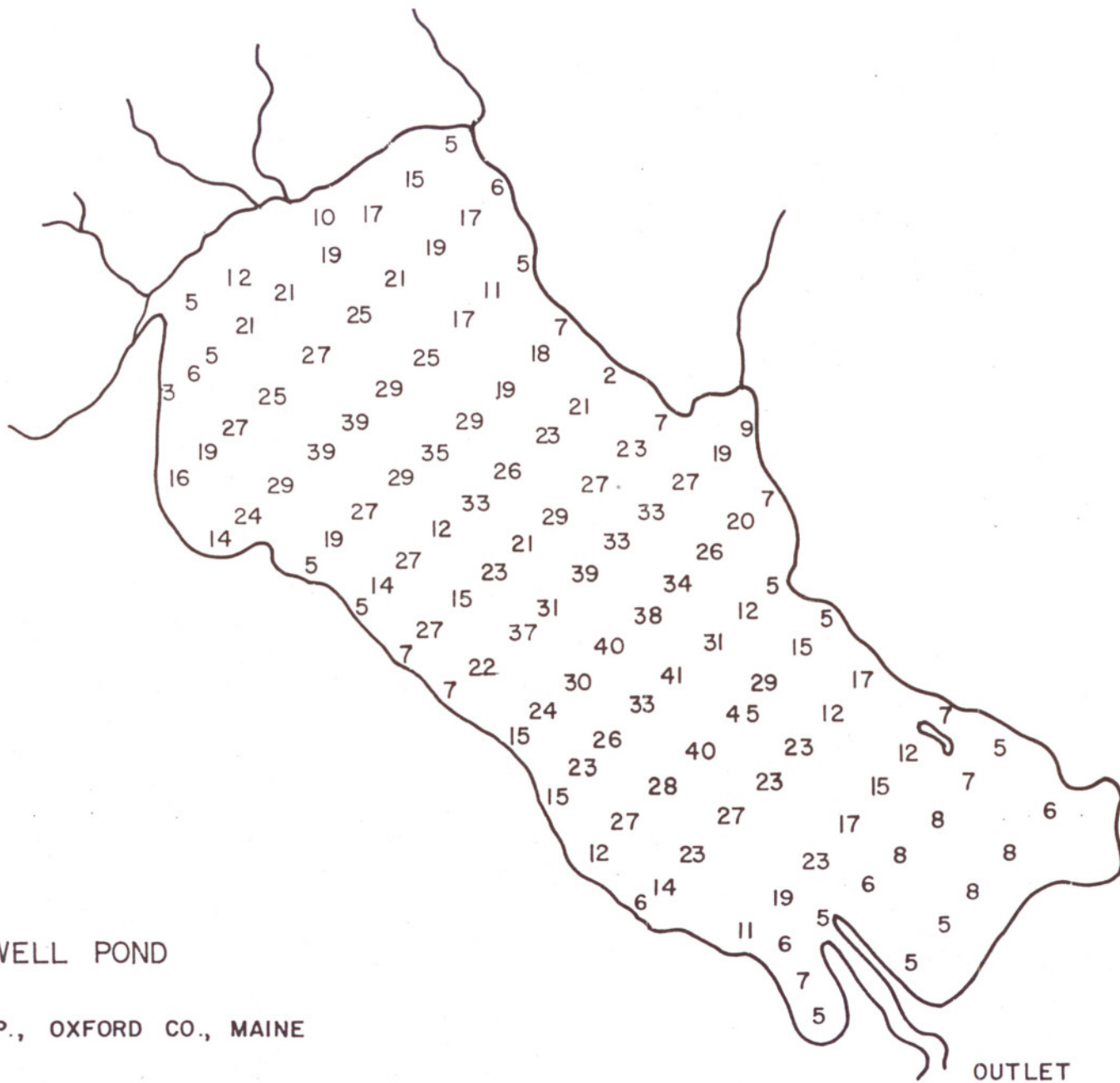
A state-owned boat ramp is located at the southern end of the pond. The road leading to the ramp is located off Route 113 almost directly across from the Eastern Slopes Regional Airport.

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