

DUCKPUDDLE POND

Nobleboro and Waldoboro Twps., Lincoln Co.
U.S.G.S. Waldoboro West, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brown trout	Golden shiner
Smallmouth bass	White sucker
Largemouth bass	Hornpout (bullhead)
White perch	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Yellow perch	American eel
Chain pickerel	Sea-run alewife
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Physical Characteristics

Area - 293 acres Temperatures:
 Surface - 74°F
Maximum depth - 23 feet 20 feet - 58°F
Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, Largemouth bass,
white perch, and chain pickerel

Duckpuddle Pond is a major headwater pond in the Pemaquid River drainage, located just off U.S. Route 1 in Lincoln County. Canoes, kayaks, and small hand carried boats may be launched at the outlet bridge on the Duckpuddle Road.

The warmwater fishery has seen two significant changes since the original 1941 survey. Smallmouth bass spread throughout the drainage migrating from McGurdy Pond in the 1950's and more recently, in 1995, largemouth

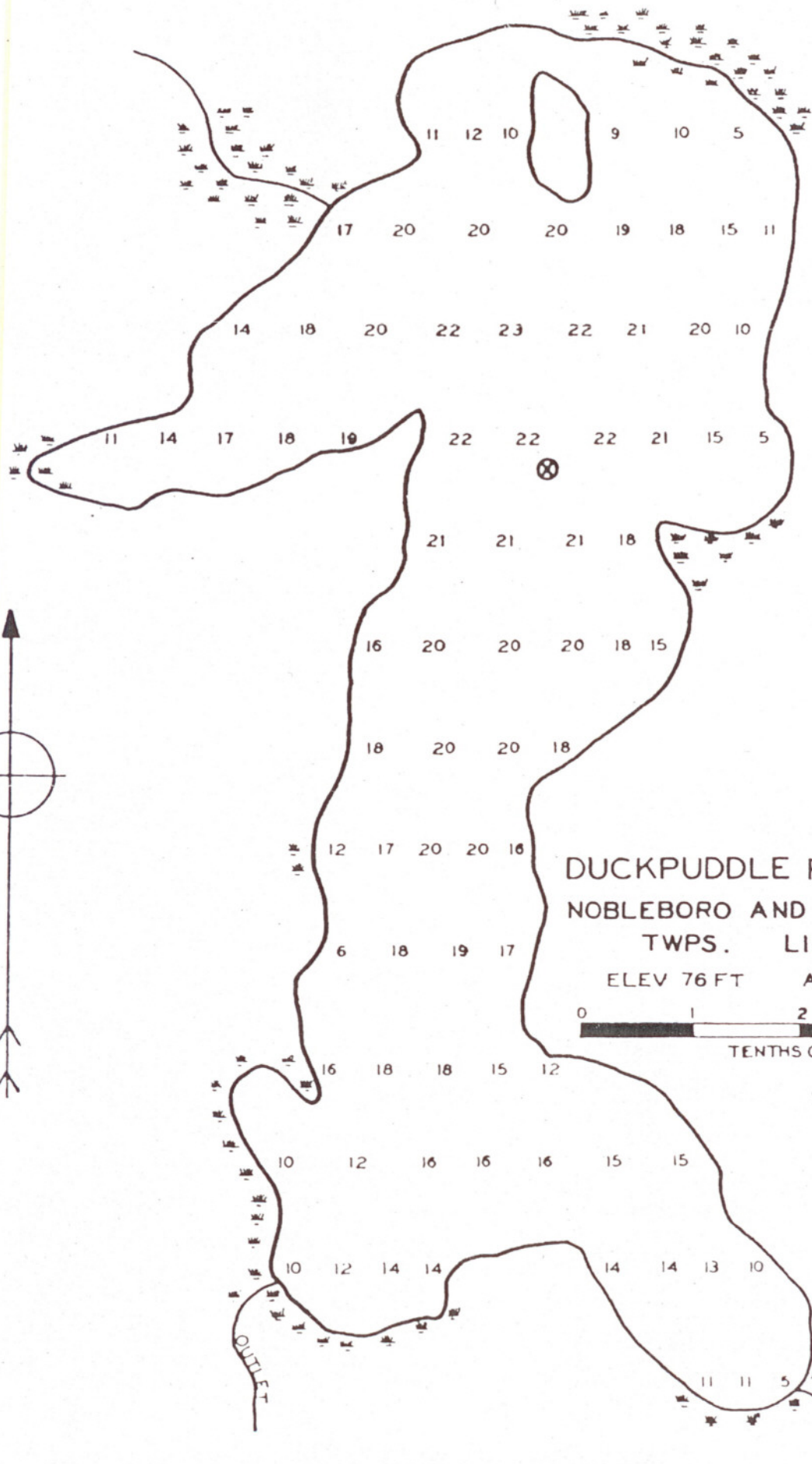
bass were illegally stocked. Both species are now naturally reproducing and provide good fisheries.

The pond's coldwater fishery has had an interesting history. Brown trout that had been stocked in Pemaquid Pond migrated into Duckpuddle Pond and provided a limited fishery. Those early catches of brown trout prompted the Department to initiate an annual stocking program in 1967 and these stockings continued until 1979. Biological surveys of 1976 and 1979 showed that only a very limited fishery was provided. Survival and growth were not successful enough to continue the program.

Another feature on Duckpuddle Pond is the sea-run alewife population was re-established when an obstruction was removed at Pemaquid Falls in 1970 and a fishway was constructed at Bristol Mills in 1971. Alewives are commercially harvested at Head - of-Tide in Bristol each spring. The young alewives that are produced by spawning adults in Duckpuddle Pond provide additional forage for sportfish throughout the summer.

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Resurveyed - 1967
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