

### LITTLE PLEASANT POND

TA R11 WELS, Piscataquis County  
U.S.G.S Wadleigh Mountain, ME (7 1/2')

#### Fishes

Brook Trout            White Sucker  
Minnows  
    Lake Chub  
    Golden Shiner

#### Physical Characteristics

Area - 30 acres                      Temperatures  
  Surface - 66°F  
Maximum depth - 18 feet          18 feet - 57°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

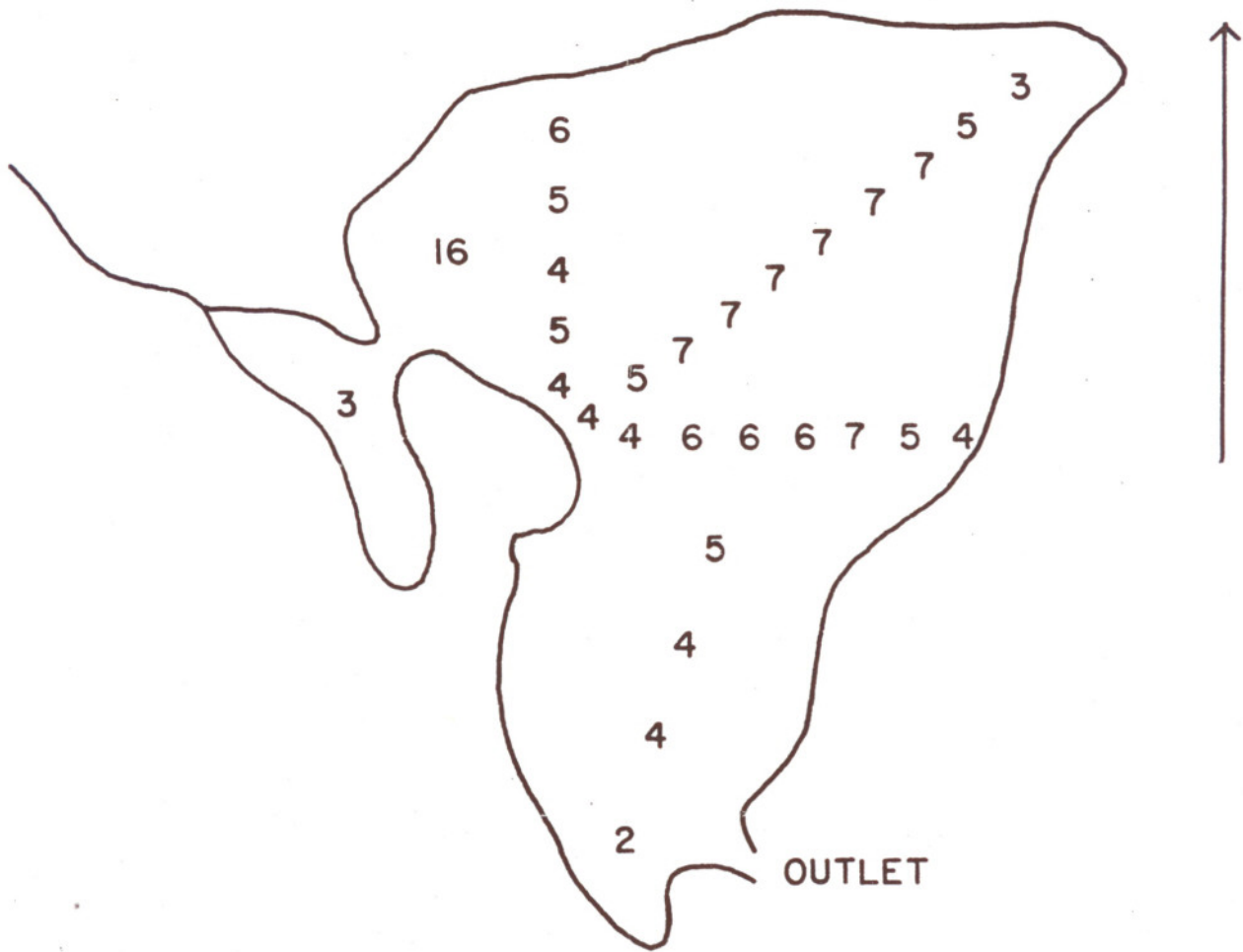
Little Pleasant Pond is a small trout pond located between Big Pleasant Lake and the Yoke Ponds. There is one area of deep water where the inlet from Big Pleasant flows into the pond. This area was stratified at the time of the survey, but there was an oxygen deficiency below 15 feet. The remainder of the pond is less than 8 feet deep and homothermous. There is suitable spawning habitat in both the inlet from Big Pleasant and the outlet. The bottom of the pond is generally muddy with an abundance of aquatic vegetation.

Of the 20 brook trout sampled during the survey, 7 (35%), had temporary marks from a population study conducted on the Yoke Ponds earlier in the summer. This would suggest that trout are moving freely between Big Pleasant Pond, Little

Pleasant Pond, Upper Yoke Pond, and Lower Yoke Pond. This has significant management implications for these ponds. An increase in use and/or harvest on any of these ponds could result in a decline in the fishing quality on the connecting waters. Regulation changes designed to improve or maintain the fisheries in any of these ponds need be applied to all of the ponds in the system.

Access to Little Pleasant Pond is via gravel road through the Jo-Mary gate maintained by North Maine Woods. The road comes within a few feet of the west shore of the pond.

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