

FIRST WEST BRANCH POND
T-A R12, Piscataquis Co.
U. S. G. S. First Roach Pond, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Minnows
Golden shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area - 119 acres

Temperatures
Surface - 69° F.
24 feet - 61° F.

Maximum depth - 25 feet

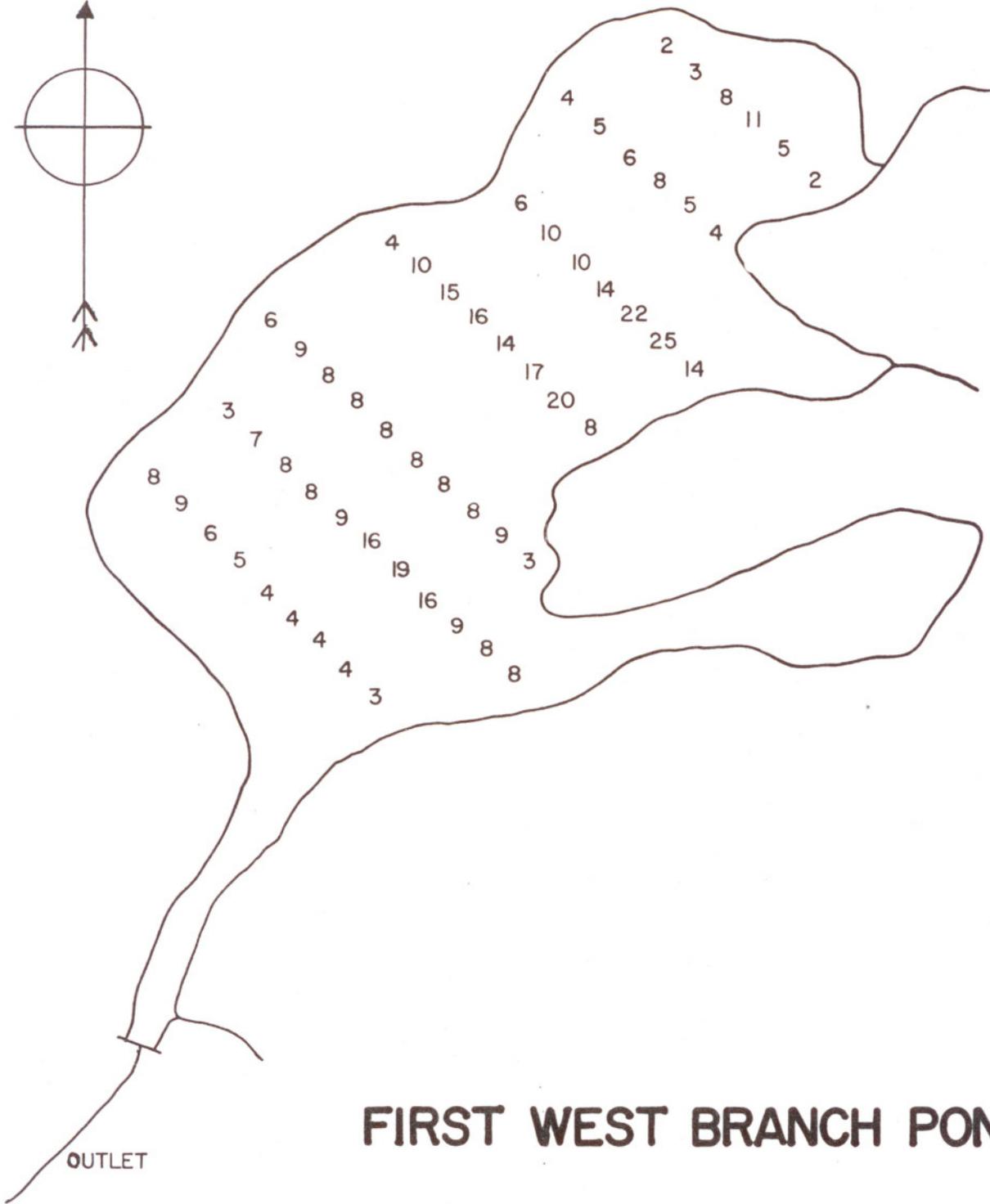
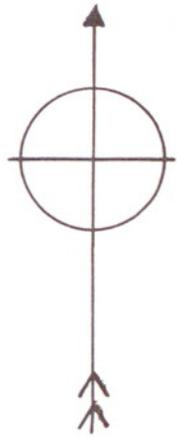
Suggested Management

First West Branch Pond has excellent water quality for brook trout and should be managed exclusively for this species.

The golden shiner is the only other species present and great care should be taken not to introduce other kinds of fish. The use of live fish as bait should never be allowed in these waters.

There is sufficient natural reproduction to maintain a thriving population of brook trout and to provide good fishing. The stocking of hatchery fish has caused an overcrowded condition and lowered the growth rate of the trout. Stocking should be discontinued.

The tributaries and especially the outlet should be kept free from obstructions at all times.



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