

PEAKED MOUNTAIN POND

T4 R7, Penobscot Co.
U.S.G.S. Shin Pond, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) Ninespine stickleback
Minnows
Golden shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area - 61 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 71° F.
Maximum depth - 35 feet	35 feet - 53° F.

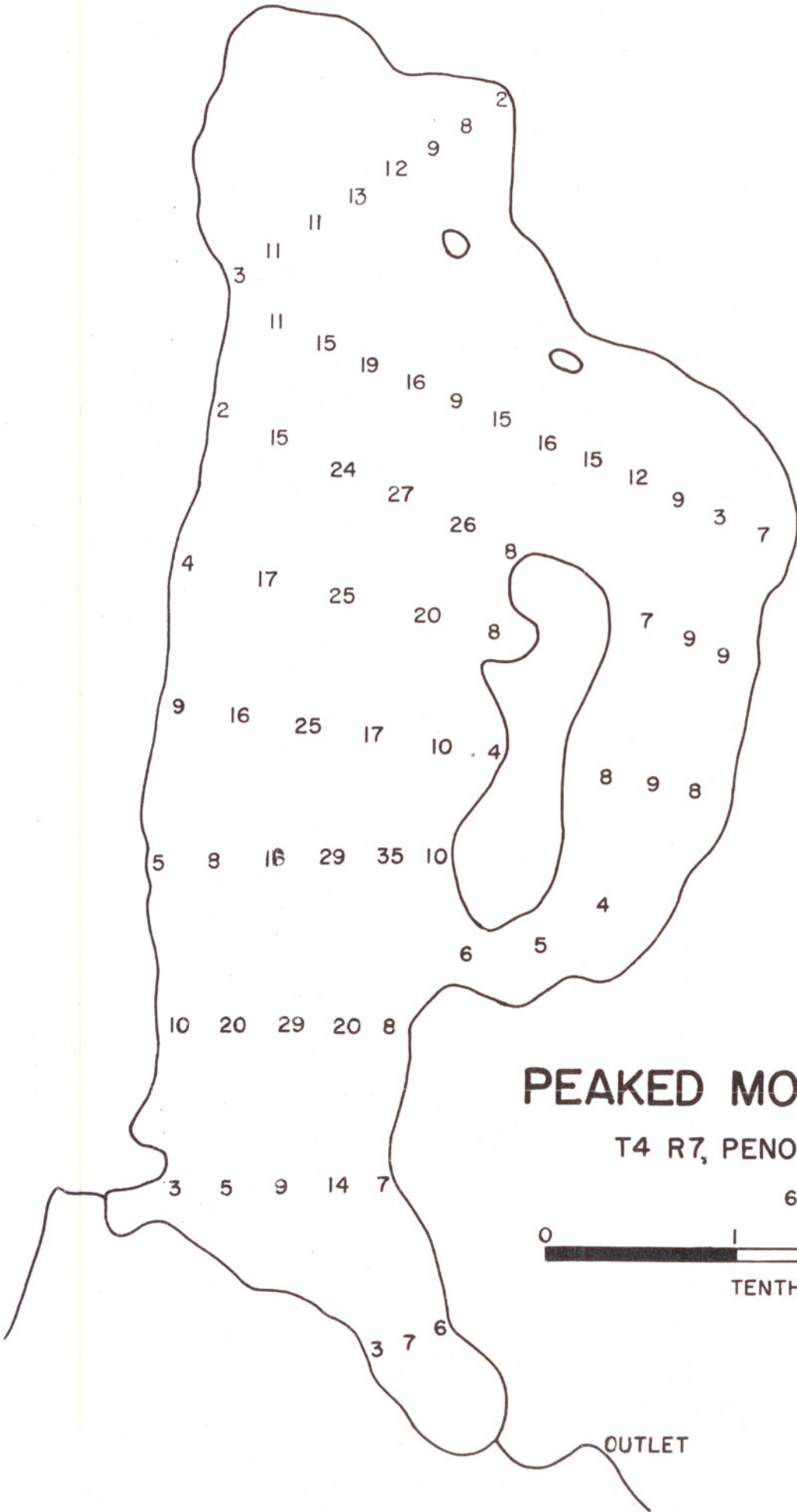
Peaked Mountain Pond provides good brook trout habitat and should be managed for that species. The pond stratifies into warm and cold layers during the summer, with adequate oxygen at all depths. Trout can move freely into the deeper, colder water during warm weather.

Trout collected during the survey were heavily infested with two external parasites known as "fish lice" and "black spot." Fish lice, or copepods, commonly found attached on the fins and gills of trout, usually do not harm the fish. Black spot is the young stage of a worm that lives as an adult in fish-eating birds. It usually affects only the skin of the fish, and is not harmful to the fish or to humans who eat the fish. Trout in Peaked Mountain Pond are otherwise healthy and exhibit good growth.

A small inlet and the outlet are considered poor for trout spawning and nursery areas. Trout reproduction must take place in spring seepage areas within the pond.

An important factor favoring trout survival is the absence of most species that compete with trout for food. Care should be taken to prevent introduction of undesirable fish. For this reason, a no-live-fish-as-bait law is recommended.

The pond is accessible by jeep road and trail.



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TENTHS OF MILE

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