

BIG INDIAN POND

St Albans Twp., Somerset Co.
U.S.G.S. Hartland, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brown trout	Golden shiner
Brook trout	White sucker
Rainbow smelt	Hornpout (bullhead)
Smallmouth bass	Burbot (cusk)
Largemouth bass	Brook stickleback
White perch	Redbreast sunfish
Yellow perch	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Chain pickerel	Black crappie
Minnows	American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 990 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 28 feet

Surface - 71°F

25 feet - 67°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout, brook trout, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, chain pickerel, black crappie

Big Indian Lake is one of the headwaters of the Sabasticook River, surrounded by rolling farmlands of Central Maine.

Primary fisheries in Big Indian are for warm water sport fish although the cold water fishery can be good at times. Two illegally introduced species; largemouth bass and black crappie are developing to provide for some very good catches although the smallmouth bass fishery remains the favorite among local anglers.

Poor spawning and nursery habitat for cold water fish species necessitates annually stockings to maintain a fishery. Brown trout are stocked because they can better survive under marginal conditions with heavy competition and hopefully provide some larger, older fish. Recent stockings of fall yearling brook trout have become very popular especially to the winter angler. These stockings resulted from the increased number of brook trout available due to the modernization of the hatchery system.

The Big Indian Fish and Game Association provides a good access site with facilities for boat launching and picnicking along the southeast shore of the pond.

Surveyed - August, 1959

Resurveyed - August 1969

(Revised - 1982, 2006)

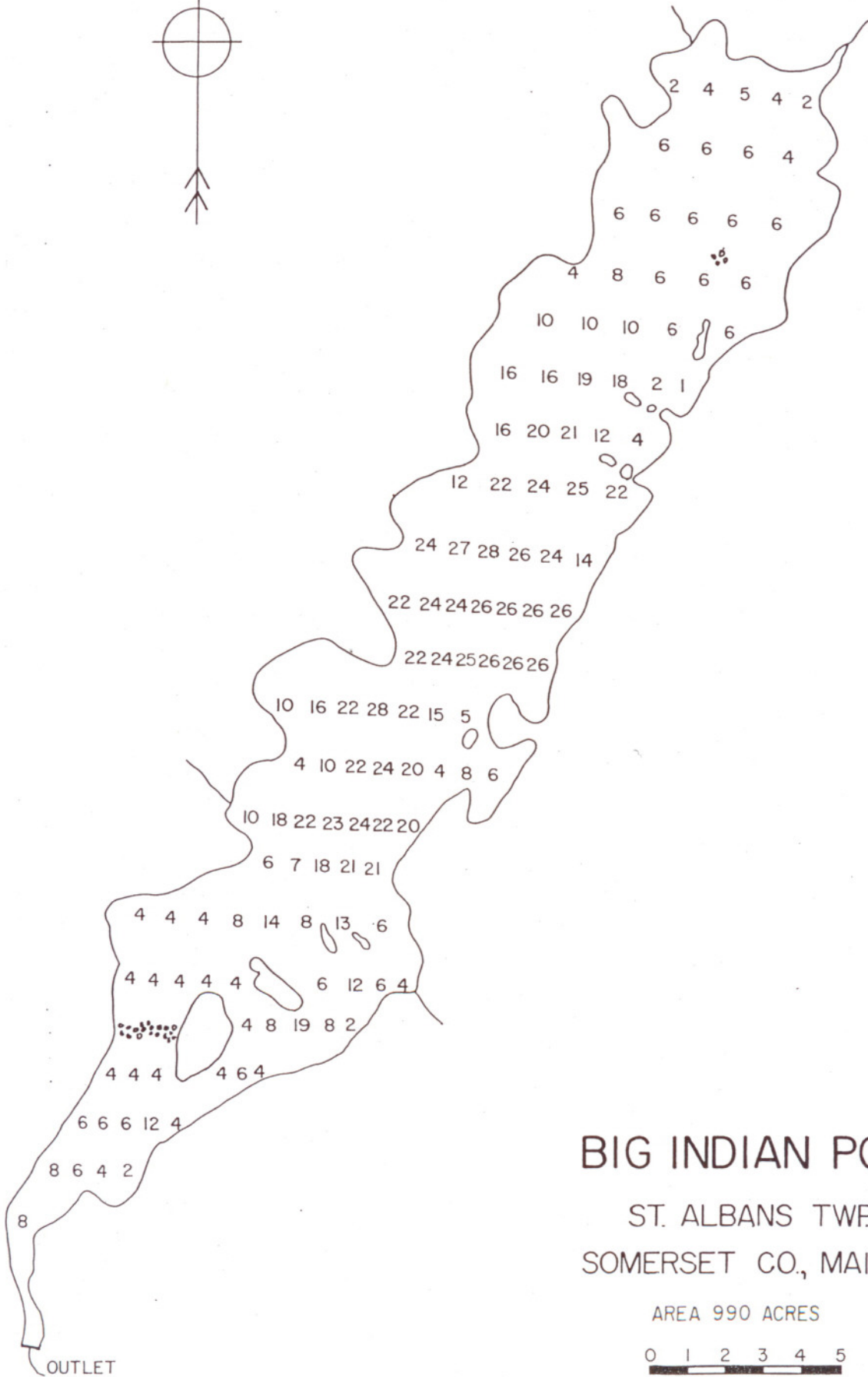
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