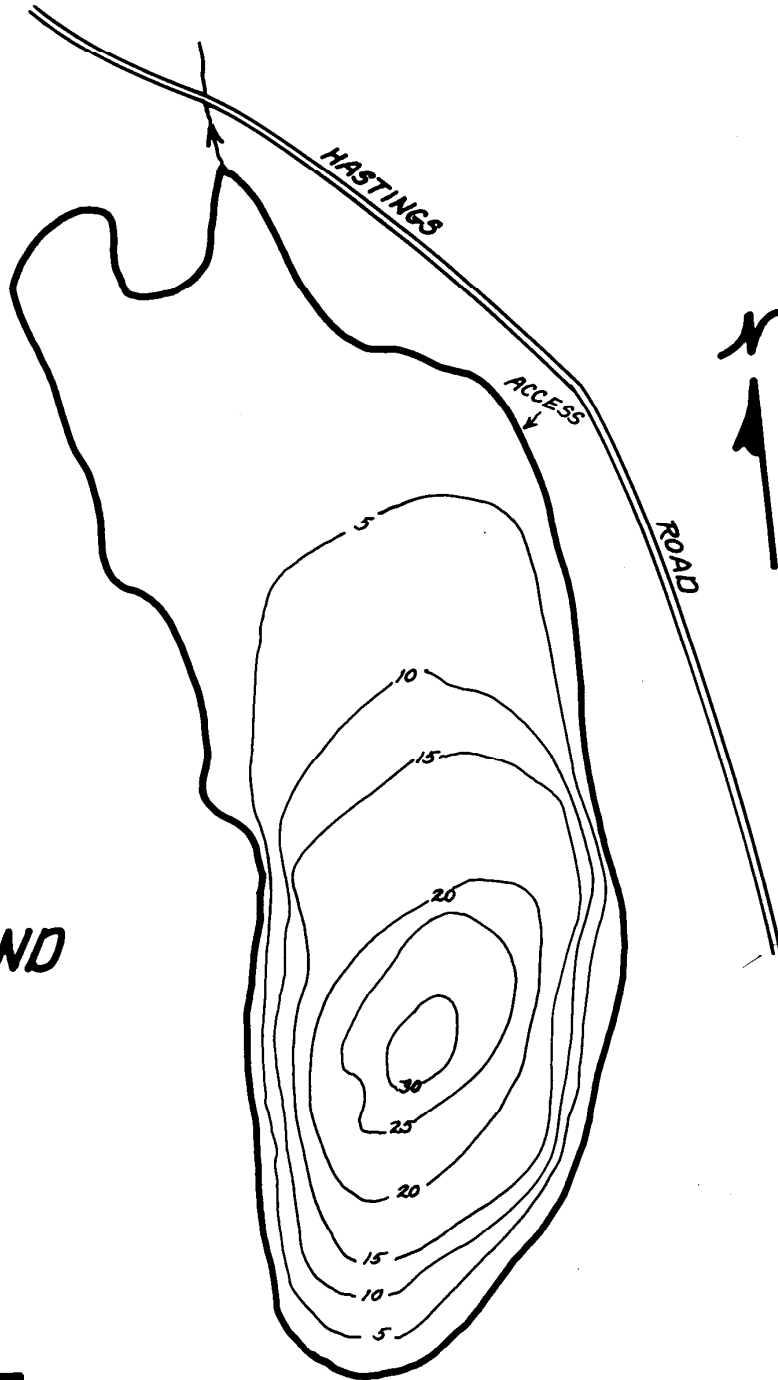
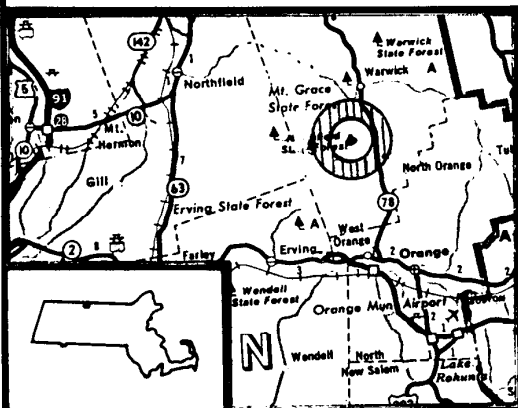




HASTINGS POND (WARWICK) Area : 17 Acres



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HASTINGS POND (Warwick)

General Information:

This is a fertile, 20-acre, warm water pond located one half mile southeast of Warwick center on Hastings Road. The access off Hastings Road is very limited and informal. The pond has a maximum depth of 34 feet, averages 15 feet, and has a bottom of gravel and muck. Emergent aquatic vegetation covers about five percent of the surface area. During summer stratification, the water is deoxygenated below 14 feet, a condition also reported in a 1955 survey. The shoreline is twenty percent developed with eight residential dwellings.

This pond can be located on the U.S.G.S topographical quad map titled "Mt. Grace."

Fish Populations:

The fish population was sampled in July 1981, at which time six species were observed. Listed in order of sampling abundance, these included pumpkinseed, yellow perch, golden shiner, bluegill, chain pickerel and brown bullhead. There is no history of stocking largemouth bass here, and the species was absent from this as well as the 1950 survey.

Fishing:

Except for the chain pickerel, which offer a limited sport fishery, this pond is overpopulated with stunted pumpkinseeds and yellow perch. There is a good golden shiner population, which should provide an excellent forage base for pickerel, but few legal size pickerel were sampled.

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