

Ice Fishing

JACKSON, MI

Your guide to Jackson County's Lakes



THE *Best* FISHING AROUND

When the Weather Cools, the Fishing Heats Up

As soon as the ice forms, Jackson, Michigan's winter fishing comes alive as fishermen from the Midwest and Canada flock to our fish-stocked waters. With more than 180 lakes, there are plenty of spots to pitch your shanty and get in on the ice fishing experience that can only be found in Jackson.

FIND YOUR SPOT

New to Jackson's fishing scene or just looking for a new spot to pitch your shanty? Our lake maps give you the skinny on 12 of Jackson's best lakes. Discover which waters are stocked, where to park, how big each lake is, which species can be caught where, and more!

LAKE MAPS INCLUDED

[Big Portage Lake](#)

[Center Lake](#)

[Clark Lake](#)

[Clear Lake](#)

[Grass Lake](#)

[Lime Lake](#)

[Pleasant Lake](#)

[Round Lake](#)

[Swains Lake](#)

[Vandercook Lake](#)

[Vineyard Lake](#)

[Wolf Lake](#)

DON'T FORGET YOUR FISHING LICENSE

See where to purchase in-store, or buy online now.

[GET YOUR LICENSE](#)

WARM ACCOMMODATIONS *just for you*

Don't Let a Great Deal Get Away

Not sure where to stay? Let us help! With so many great [hotels](#), you are sure to find the perfect place that meets your needs and is close to plenty of [fun things to do in Jackson](#) when the poles get put away for the day. Choose the best place to rest with our [hotel guide](#).

FREE FISHING WEEKEND

Twice a year, the DNR waives fishing license fees for residents and non-residents to enjoy fishing for all species of fish.

[LEARN MORE](#)

Explore All that is Jackson

Get Out of the Cold & Warm Up with Some Fun

We may be known for our fishing – warm and cold weather – but there's more to our great county that you can't miss out on.

Start by celebrating the catch of the day with our [brewery tour](#) or a [great meal](#). Nourishment is an art form here, and we pride ourselves on the great eats and drinks made from locally-sourced ingredients, and menus that are unique but will still please the pickiest eater.

WANT A HISTORY LESSON?

Jackson County's rich history can be best discovered at our [abundance of museums](#). Whether you are into stargazing, unique and old cars, railways, or the Underground Railroad and Civil War, we have an exhibit (or an entire museum) that is sure to intrigue you.

DON'T LEAVE THE OUTDOORS. THERE'S SO MUCH MORE WAITING.

If you're an outdoor junkie and aren't against staying in the cold a little longer if it means a great time, then you must check out our snowshoe, cross country skiing, and hiking trails. Michigan's lakes are a true beauty, but you haven't seen anything until you experienced the serenity of Jackson County [trails](#).



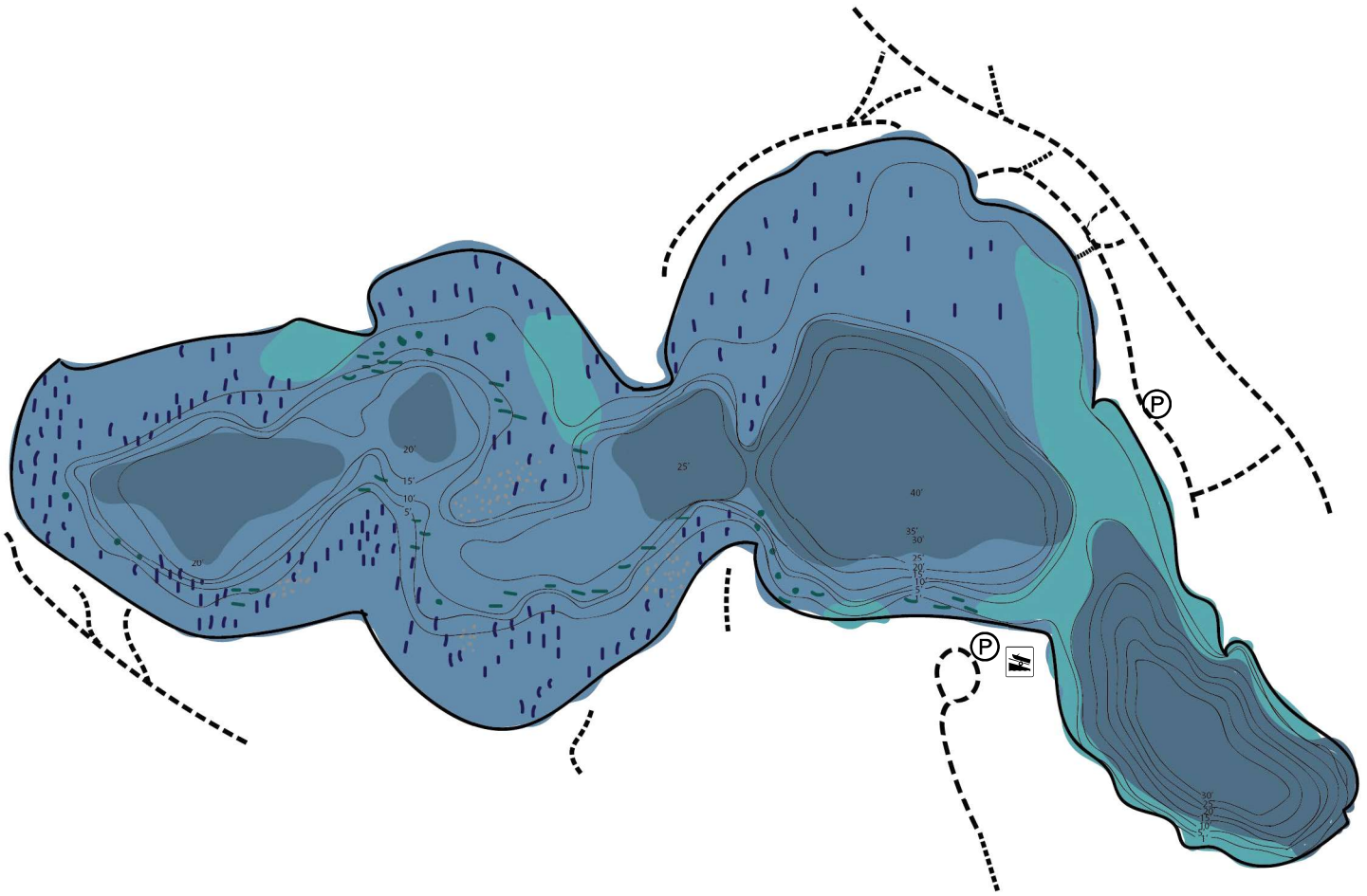
**PLANNING YOUR DAY WHEN THE FISHING IS DONE IS
EASY WITH OUR FREE APP.**

Search for Experience Jackson in the Apple App Store or Google Play today!



BIG PORTAGE LAKE

6990 Portage Lake Road, Waterloo Township, MI 49259



BOTTOM

- Marl
- Marl & sand
- Marl & muck
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- ┃ Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Ⓟ Parking
- Ⓜ Boat launch
- - - Road

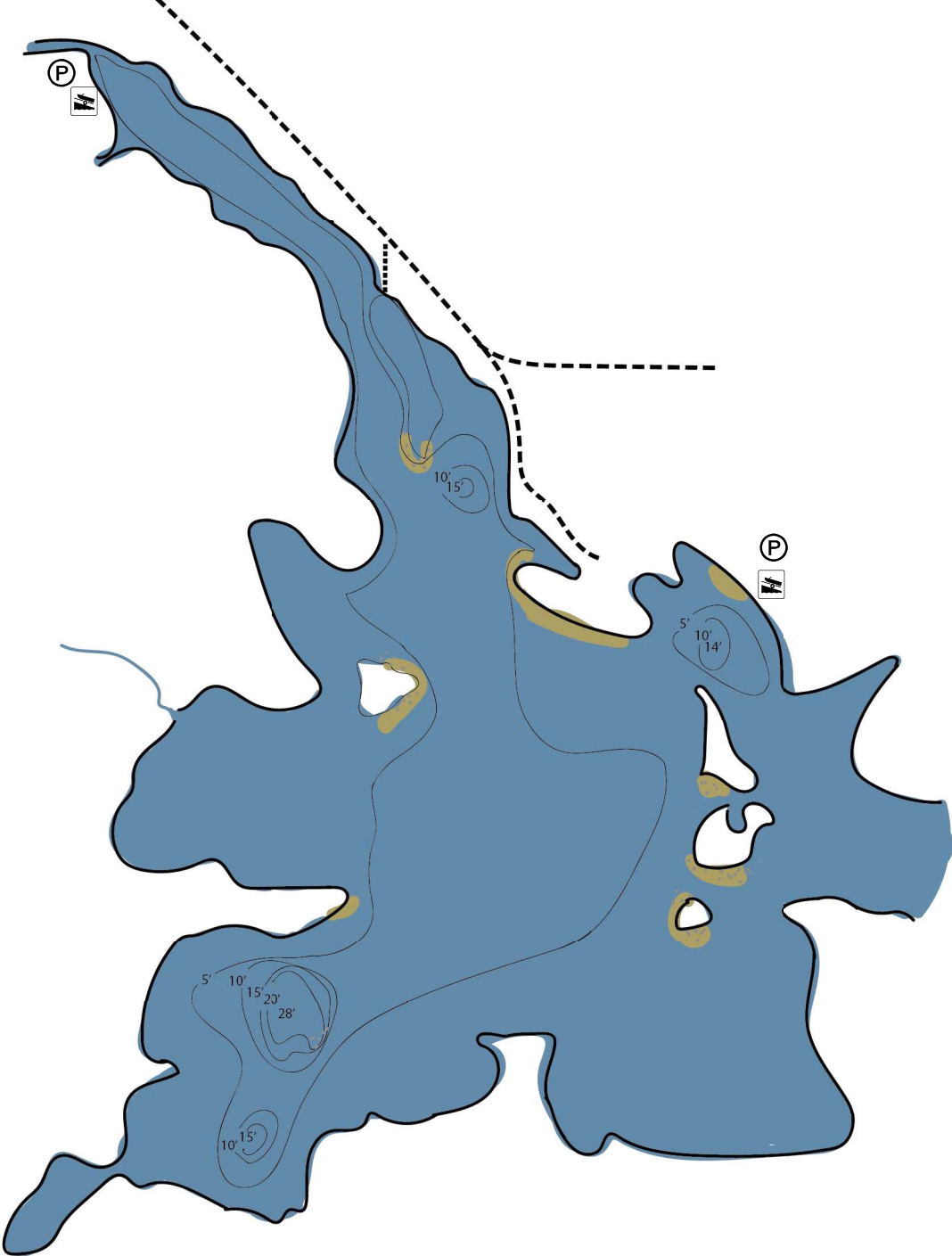
SPECIES

Bluegill, Crappie, Sunfish, Bass,
Northern Pike, and Walleye
(MDNR stocked)

6 ACRES

CENTER LAKE

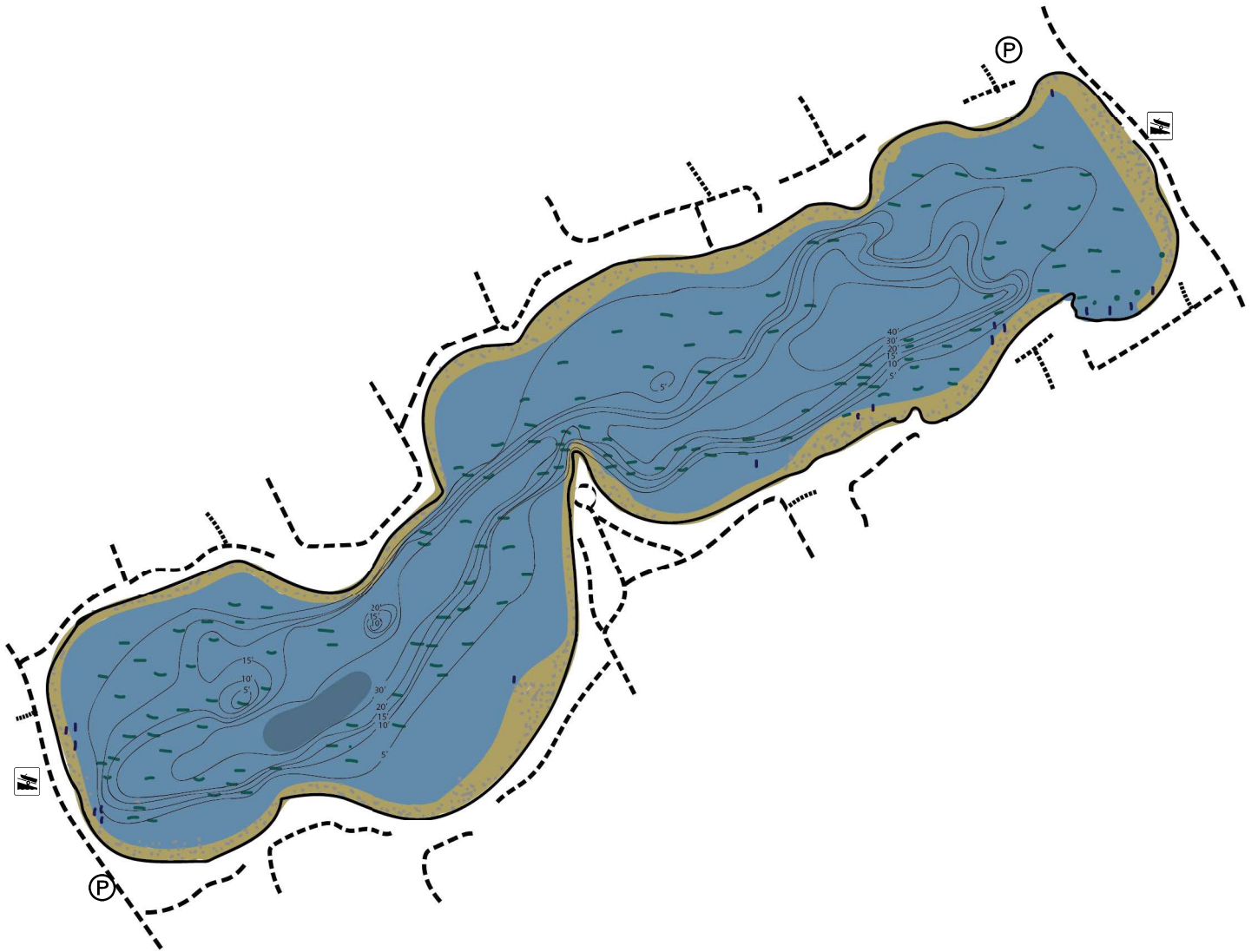
639 Washington Drive, Michigan Center, MI 49254



BOTTOM	SHORE	SPECIES
● Sand	Ⓟ Parking	Bass and Northern Pike
● Organic	🚤 Boat launch	850 ACRES
⦿ Gravel	- - - Road	

CLARK LAKE

3708 Ocean Beach Road, Clark Lake, MI 49234



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Pulpy peat
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Parking
- Boat launch
- Road

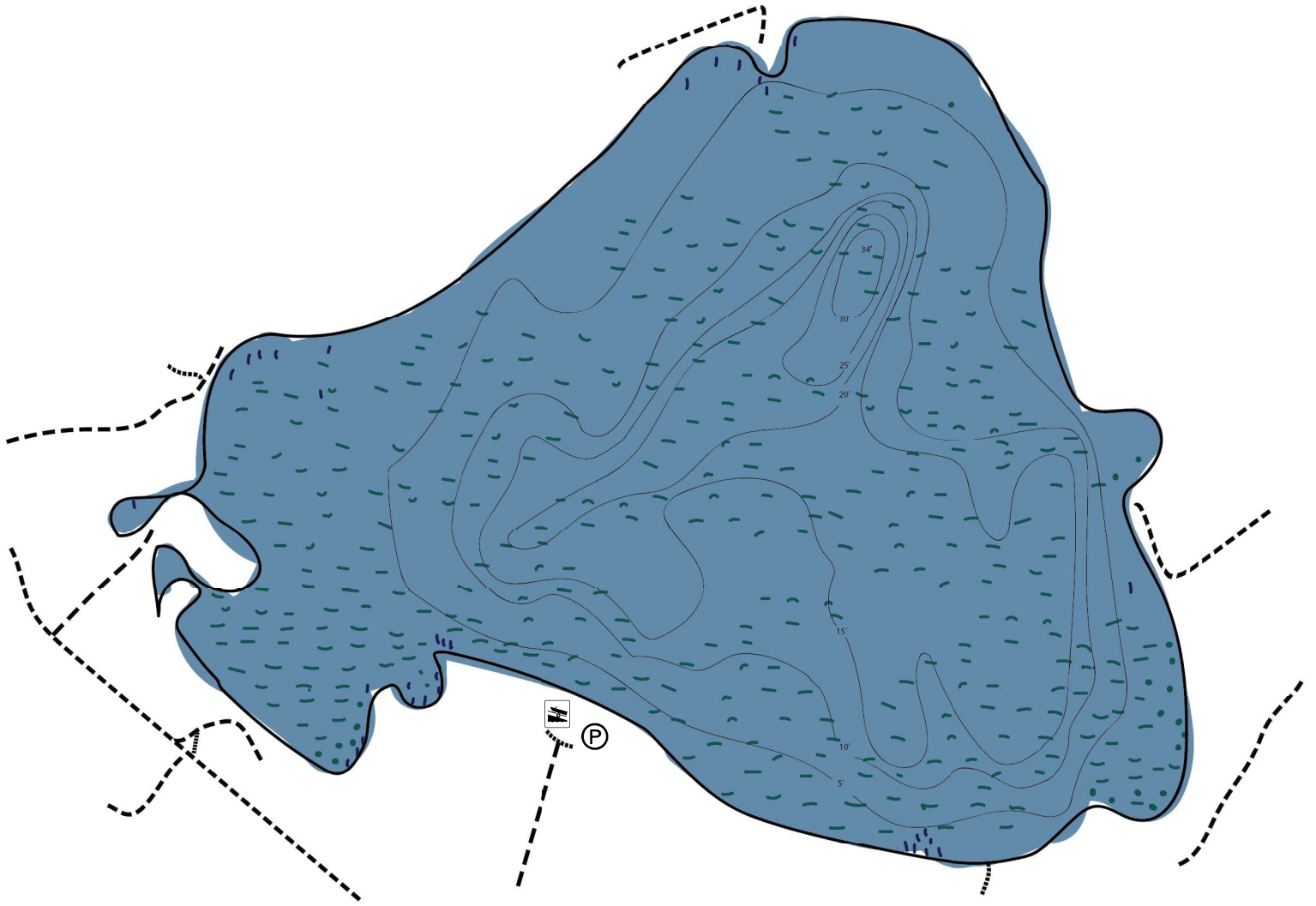
SPECIES

Bluegill, Crappie,
Bass, and Perch

580 ACRES

CLEAR LAKE

6693 Clear Lake Road, Grass Lake, MI 49240



BOTTOM

● Marl

VEGETATION

- ▮ Emergent
- ▬ Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Ⓟ Parking
- 🚤 Boat launch
- - - Road

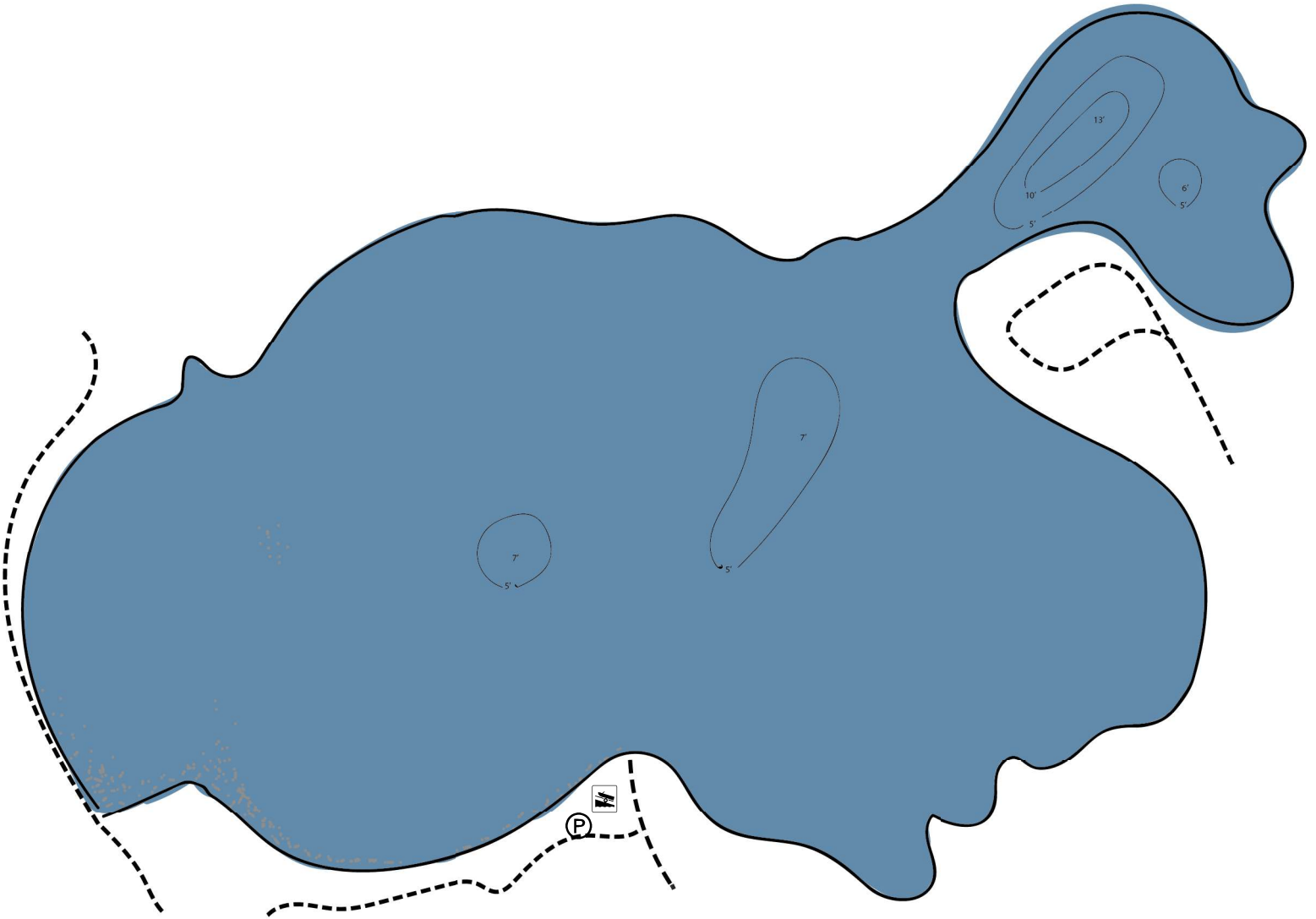
SPECIES

Bluegill and sunfish

136 ACRES

GRASS LAKE

400 N Lake Road, Grass Lake, MI 49240



BOTTOM

- Marl

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Ⓟ Parking
- 🚤 Boat launch
- ⋯ Road

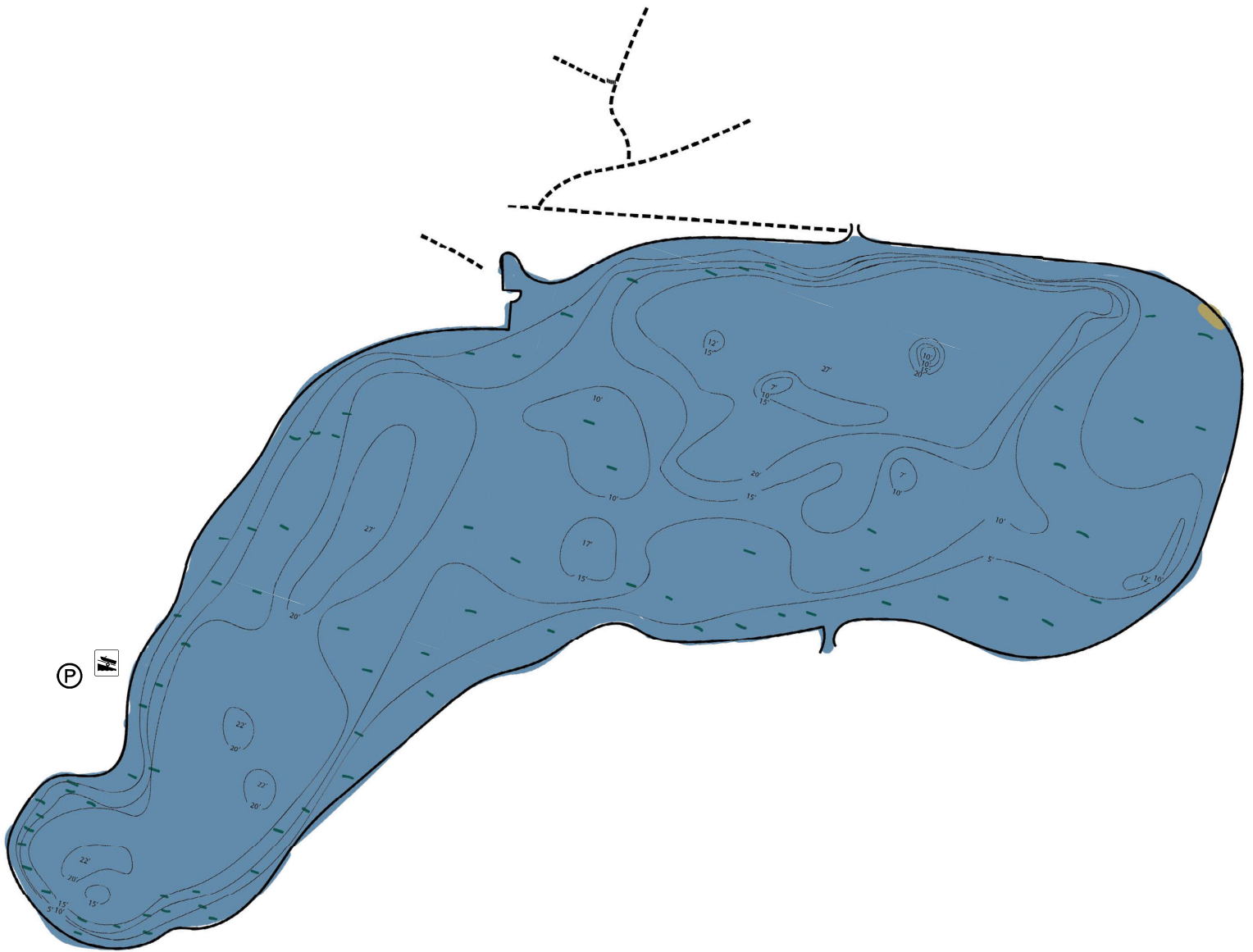
SPECIES

Sunfish and
Northern Pike

348 ACRES

LIME LAKE

5501 Teft Road, Spring Arbor, MI 49283



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Parking
- Boat launch
- Road

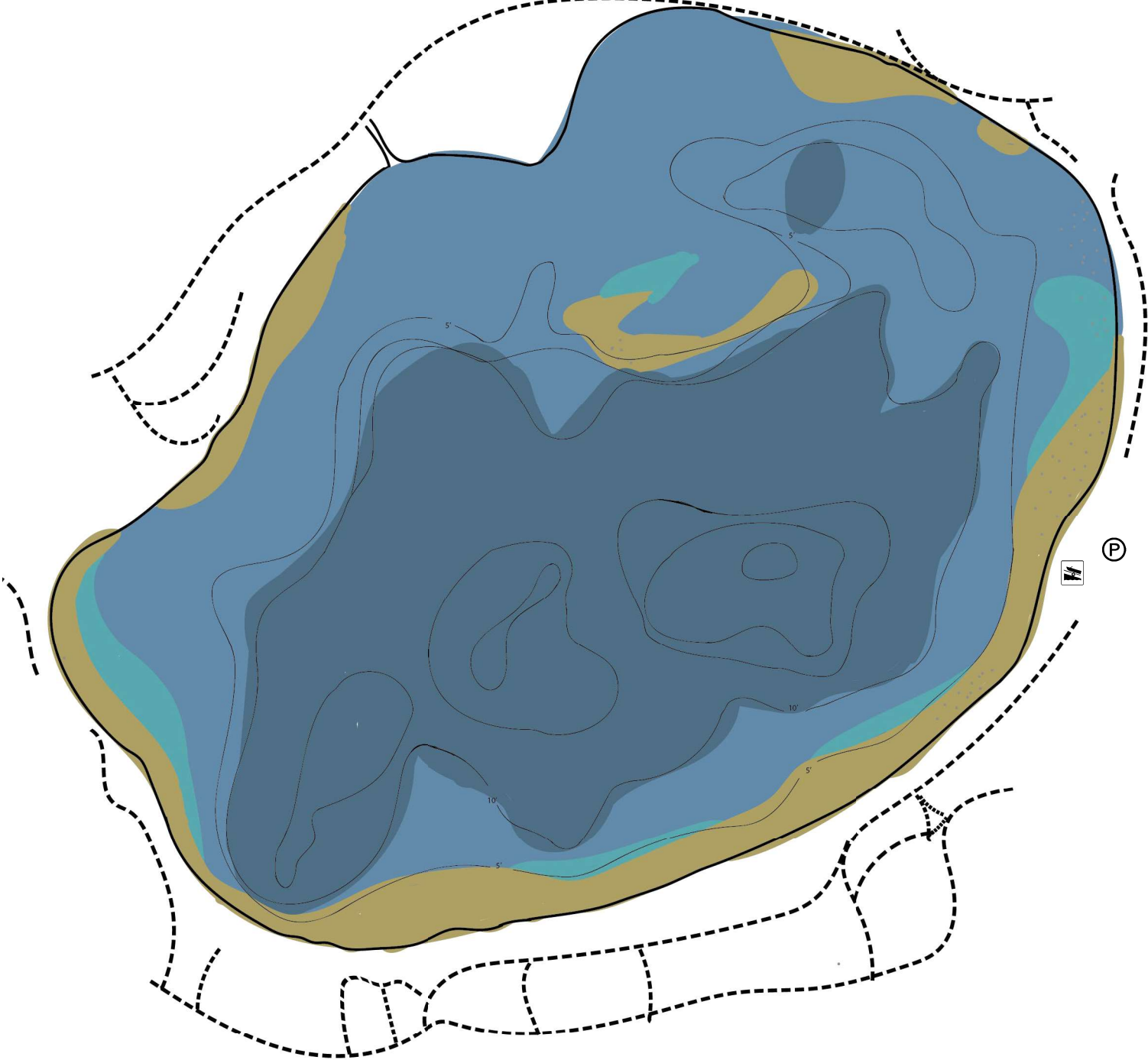
SPECIES

Bluegill and Sunfish

96 ACRES

PLEASANT LAKE

4401 Styles Road, Pleasant Lake, MI 49272



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Marl & sand
- Pulpy peat & marl
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- | Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- P Parking
- ⚓ Boat launch
- Road

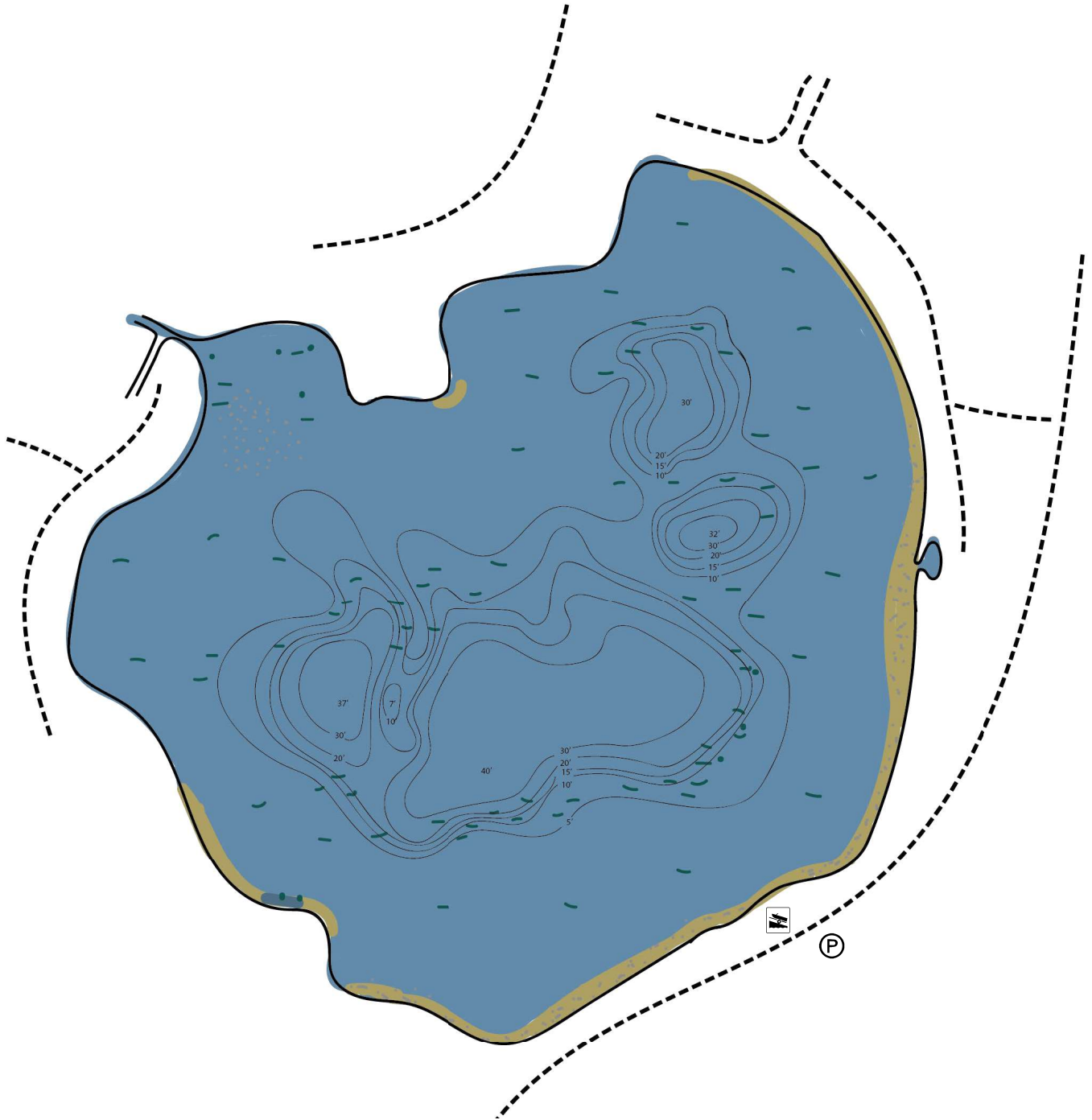
SPECIES

Crappie, Sunfish, Bass, and Northern Pike

269 ACRES

ROUND LAKE

11980 Round Lake Rd, Horton, MI 49246



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Fibrous peat
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Parking
- Boat launch
- Road

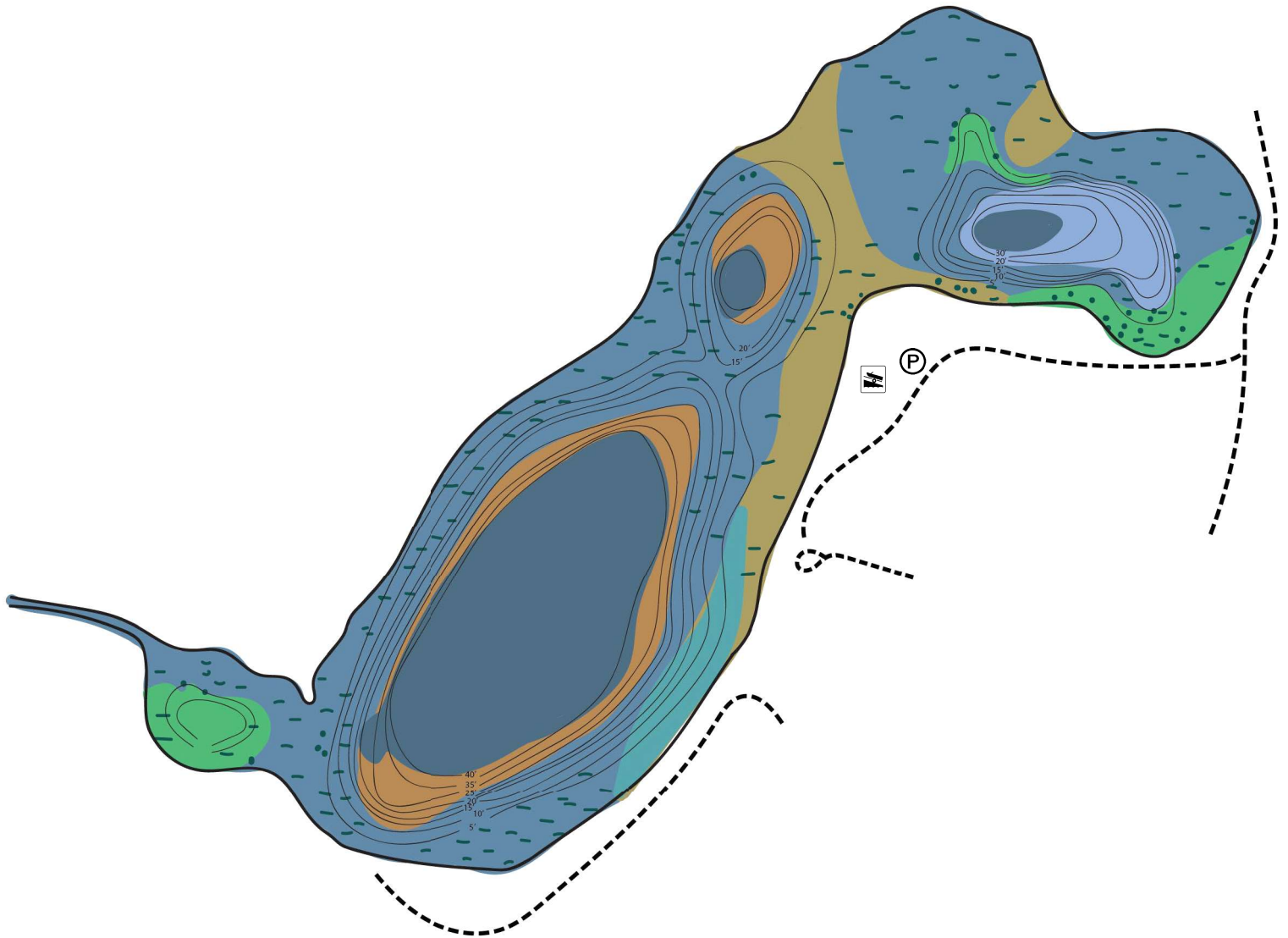
SPECIES

Bluegill and Perch

155 ACRES

SWAINS LAKE

7400 Pulaski Road, Concord, MI 49237



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Muck
- Marl & sand
- Fibrous peat
- Pulpy peat
- Pulpy peat & marl

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Parking
- Boat launch
- Road

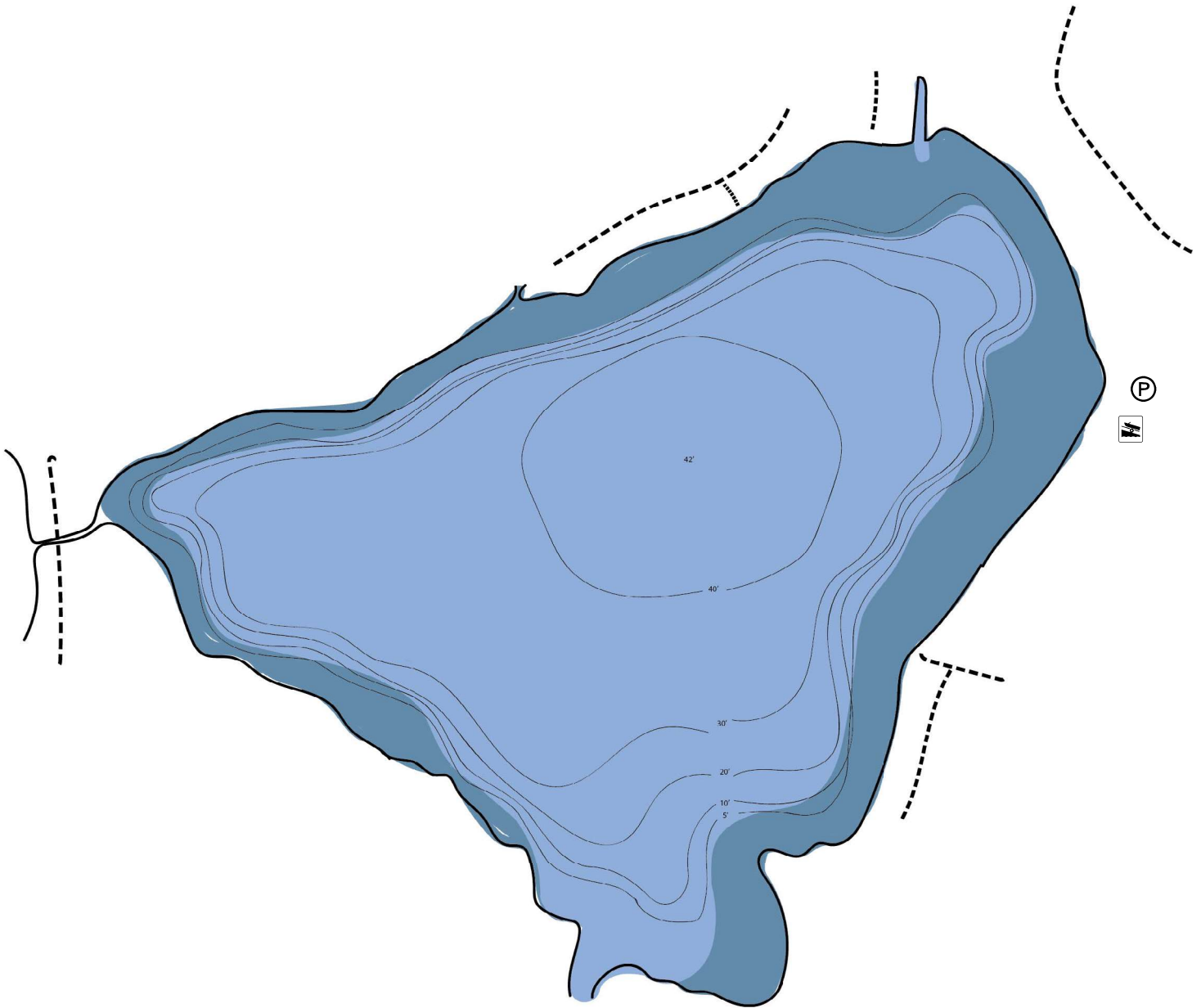
SPECIES

Trout (MDNR stocked),
Bluegill, Sunfish, and Perch

69.5 ACRES

VANDERCOOK LAKE

407 Parkway Street, Jackson, MI 49203



BOTTOM

- Marl
- Pulp peat

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Ⓟ Parking
- 🚤 Boat launch
- - - Road

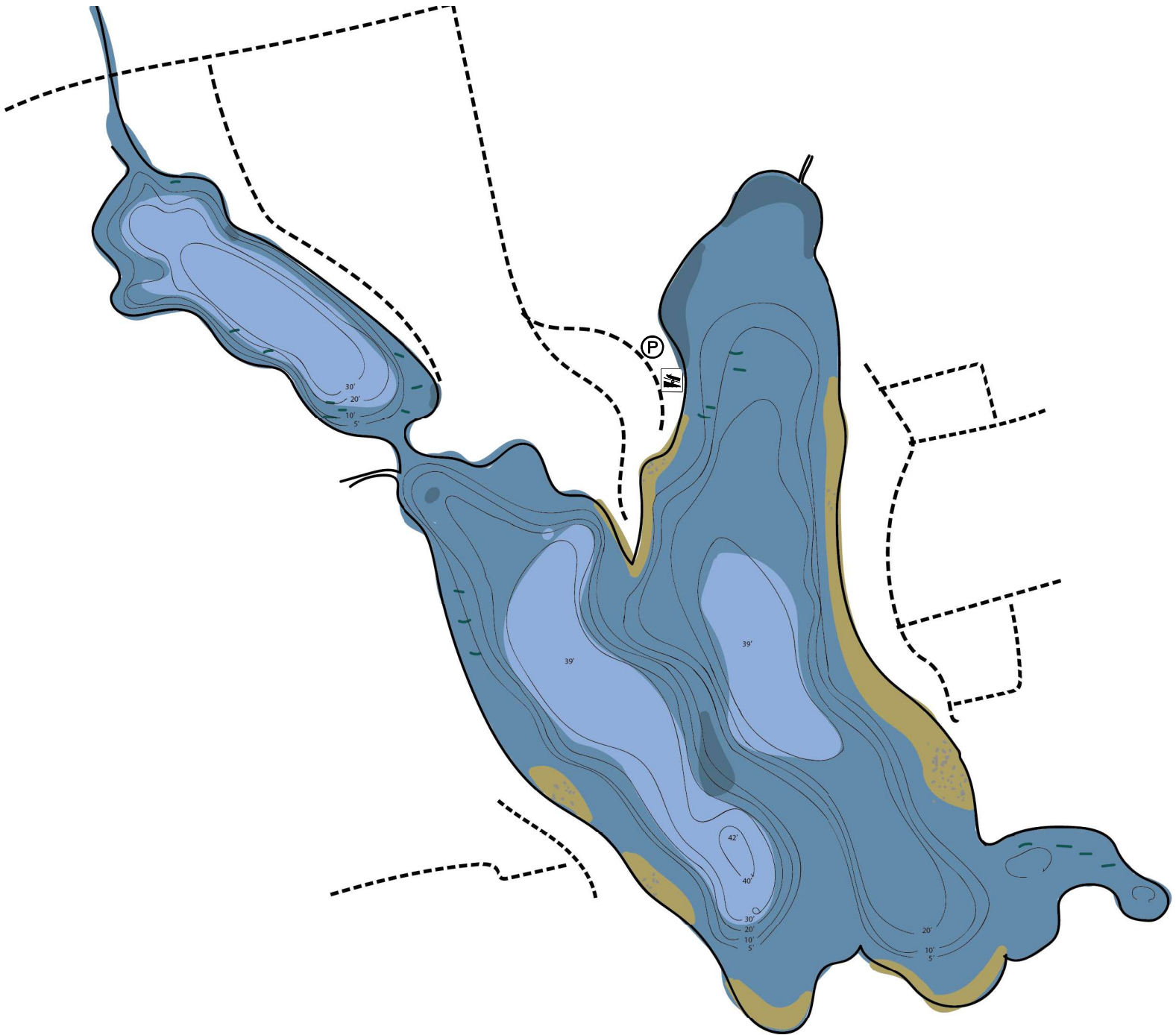
SPECIES

Northern Pike

144 ACRES

VINEYARD LAKE

175 North Drive, Brooklyn, MI 49230



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Fibrous peat
- Pulpy peat
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Parking
- Boat launch
- Road

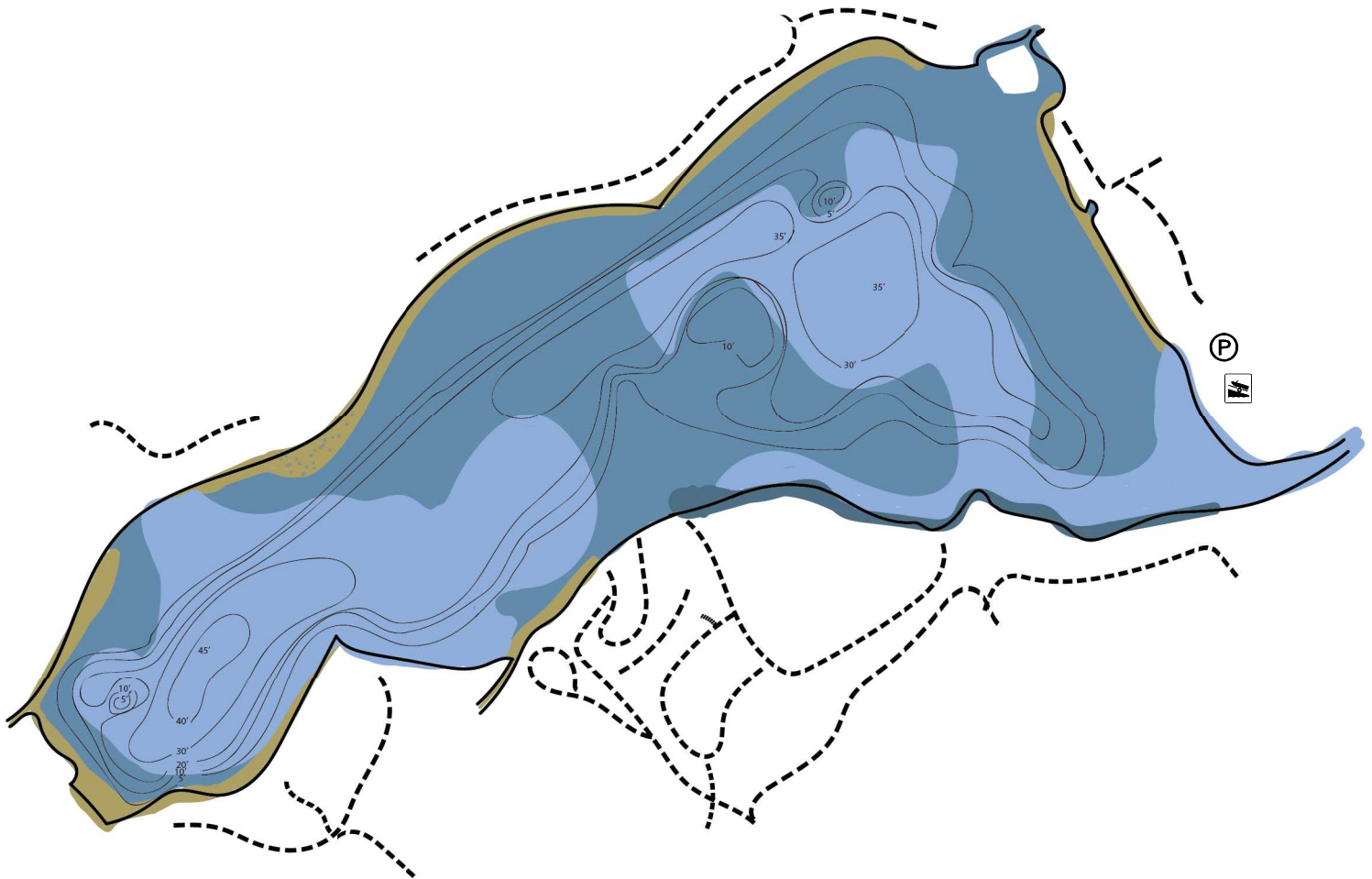
SPECIES

Bluegill, Crappie, Northern Pike, and Perch

505 ACRES

WOLF LAKE

4925 Wolf Lake Road, Grass Lake, MI 49240



BOTTOM

- Sand
- Marl
- Fibrous peat
- Pulpy peat
- Gravel

VEGETATION

- Emergent
- Submergent
- Floating

SHORE

- Parking
- Boat launch
- Road

SPECIES

Bluegill, Crappie,
and Walleye

376 ACRES

ENJOY *Inviting* ACCOMMODATIONS

Jackson's lodging options can accommodate any traveler.



Wi-Fi



Guest laundry



In-room microwaves & refrigerators



Pets welcome*



Fitness center



Breakfast



Indoor pool



Whirlpool



Meeting room



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2401 Shirley Dr., Jackson, MI 49202

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