Western banded killifish Fundulus diaphanus menona

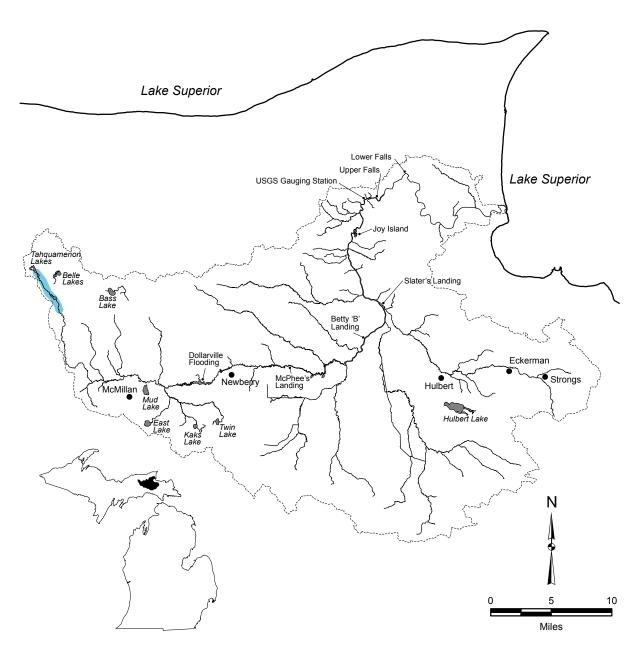
Habitat:

feeding - quiet backwaters at the mouths of streams and lakes

- substrate of sand, gravel, and a few boulders

- also found over detritus substrate where patches of submerged aquatic vegetation are present

spawning - quiet areas of weedy pools



Brook stickleback Culaea inconstans

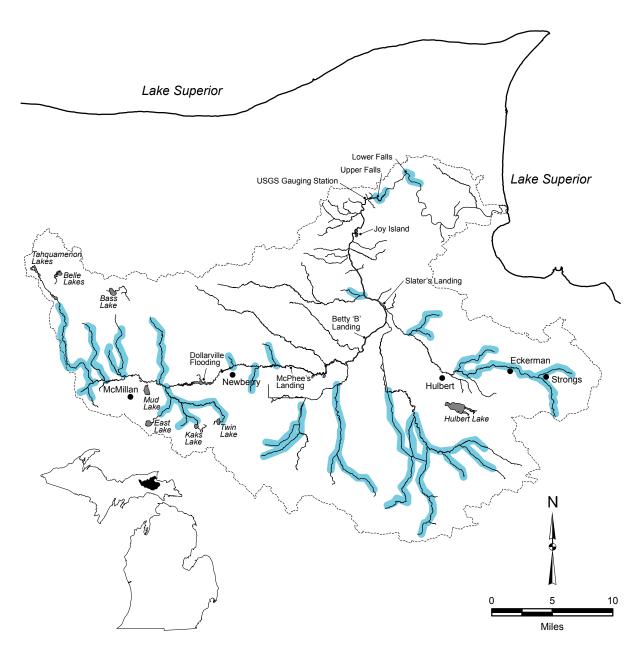
Habitat:

feeding - clear, cold, densely vegetated streams, and swampy margins of lakes

- low gradient
- muck, peat, or marl substrate
- not tolerant of turbidity

spawning - shallow cool (<66°F) water

- aquatic reeds or grasses necessary



Mottled sculpin Cottus bairdii

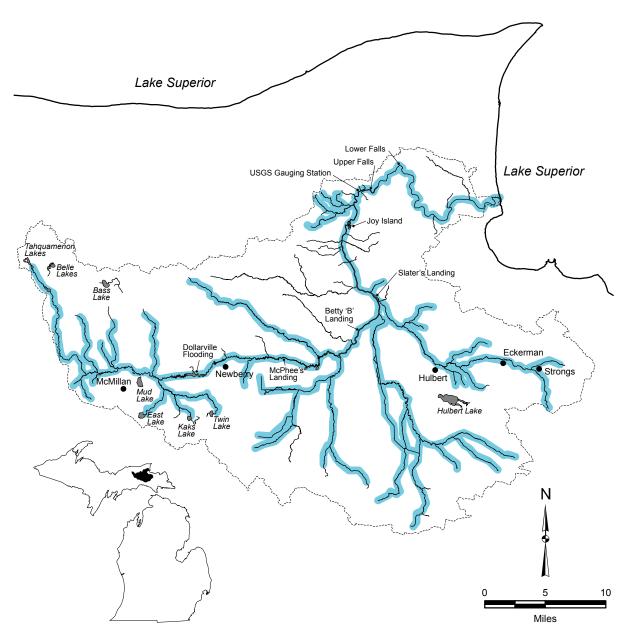
Habitat:

feeding - cool to cold streams

- riffle and rock substrates preferred

- clear to slightly turbid shallow water

spawning - nests under logs or rock



Rock bass Ambloplites rupestris

Habitat:

feeding - clear, cool streams, rivers, and lakes

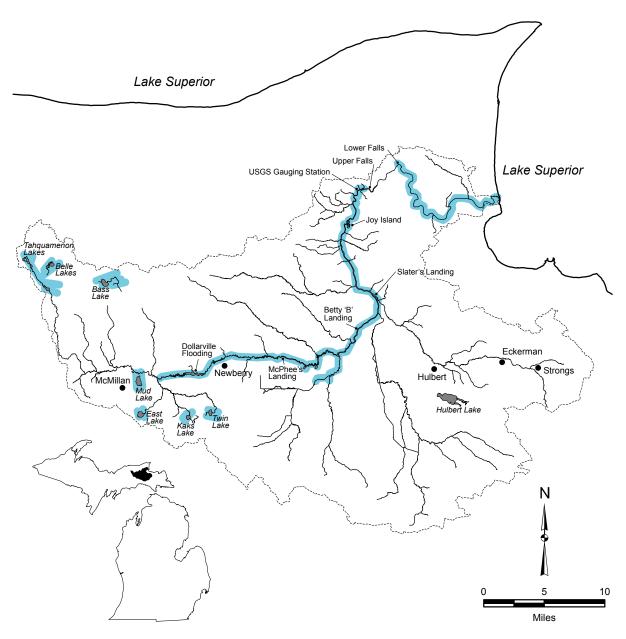
- rocky to sand substrate

- woody or vegetative cover

spawning - sand or gravel nests

- shallow water

winter refuge - deep water



Pumpkinseed Lepomis gibbosus

Habitat:

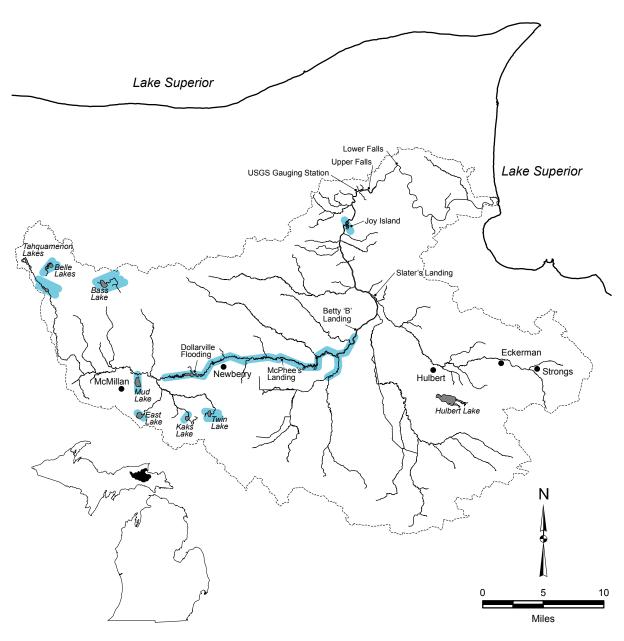
feeding - non-flowing clear water in streams and rivers; also lakes and impoundments

- muck or sand partly covered with organic debris substrate

- dense beds of submerged aquatic vegetation

spawning - nest in sand, gravel, or rock substrate

- in shallow water near submerged vegetation



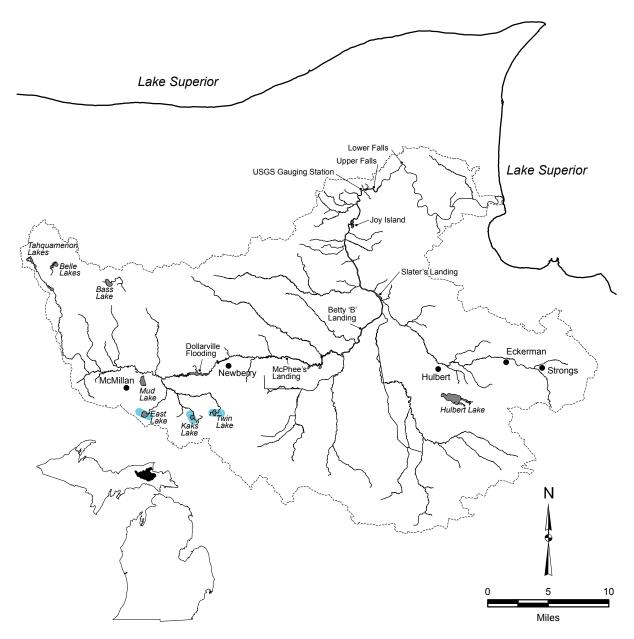
Bluegill Lepomis macrochirus

Habitat:

feeding - non-flowing clear streams and rivers; also lakes and impoundments

- sand, gravel, or muck containing organic debris substrate
- scattered beds of aquatic vegetation
- cannot tolerate low oxygen or continuous high turbidity and siltation

spawning - nests in firm substrate of gravel, sand, or mud winter refuge - deep water



Smallmouth bass Micropterus dolomieu

Habitat:

feeding - clear, cool, deep lakes and rivers

- streams where 40% consists of riffles over clean gravel, boulder, or bedrock substrate

- in pools with a current and >4 feet of depth

- gradients between 4 and 25 feet per mile

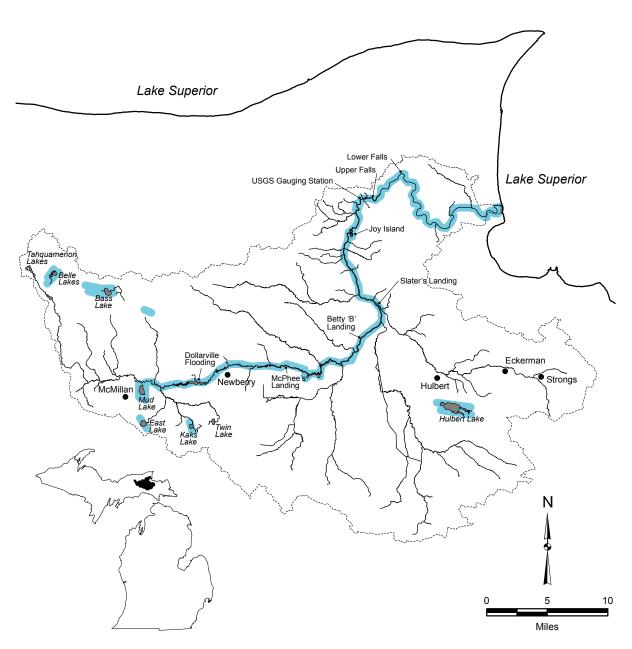
spawning - nest in sandy, gravel, or rocky substrate

- gradients 7 to 25 feet per mile

- streams 20 to 100 feet wide

winter refuge - larger deeper waters

with gradients between 3 to 7 feet per mile



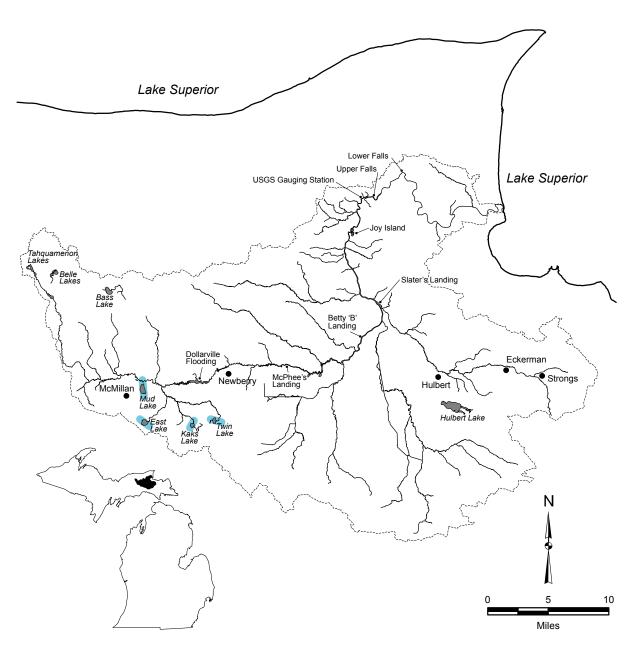
Largemouth bass Micropterus salmoides

Habitat:

- feeding non-flowing clear waters lakes, impoundments, and pools of streams
 - abundant aquatic vegetation
 - soft muck, organic debris, gravel, sand, and hard non-flocculent clay substrates

spawning - nest in gravelly sand to marl and soft mud substrates

- emergent vegetation
- quiet shallow bays; no current



Black crappie Pomoxis nigromaculatus

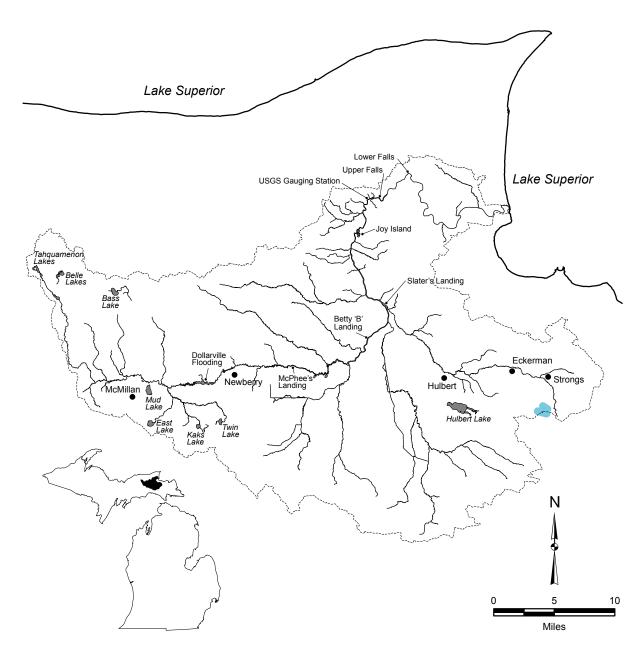
Habitat:

feeding - larger clear non-silty low-gradient rivers; also in lakes and impoundments

- clean hard sand or muck substrate
- associated with submerged aquatic vegetation
- does not tolerate silt or turbidity well

spawning - nests in gravel, sand, or mud substrate

- some vegetation must be present
- sometimes nests under banks



Iowa darter Etheostoma exile

Habitat:

feeding - clear, slow moving streams and lakes

- sandy to muddy substrates

- intolerant of turbid water

- lives in rooted aquatic vegetation

spawning - in pond-like extensions of streams on organic matter or roots

- in shallows

