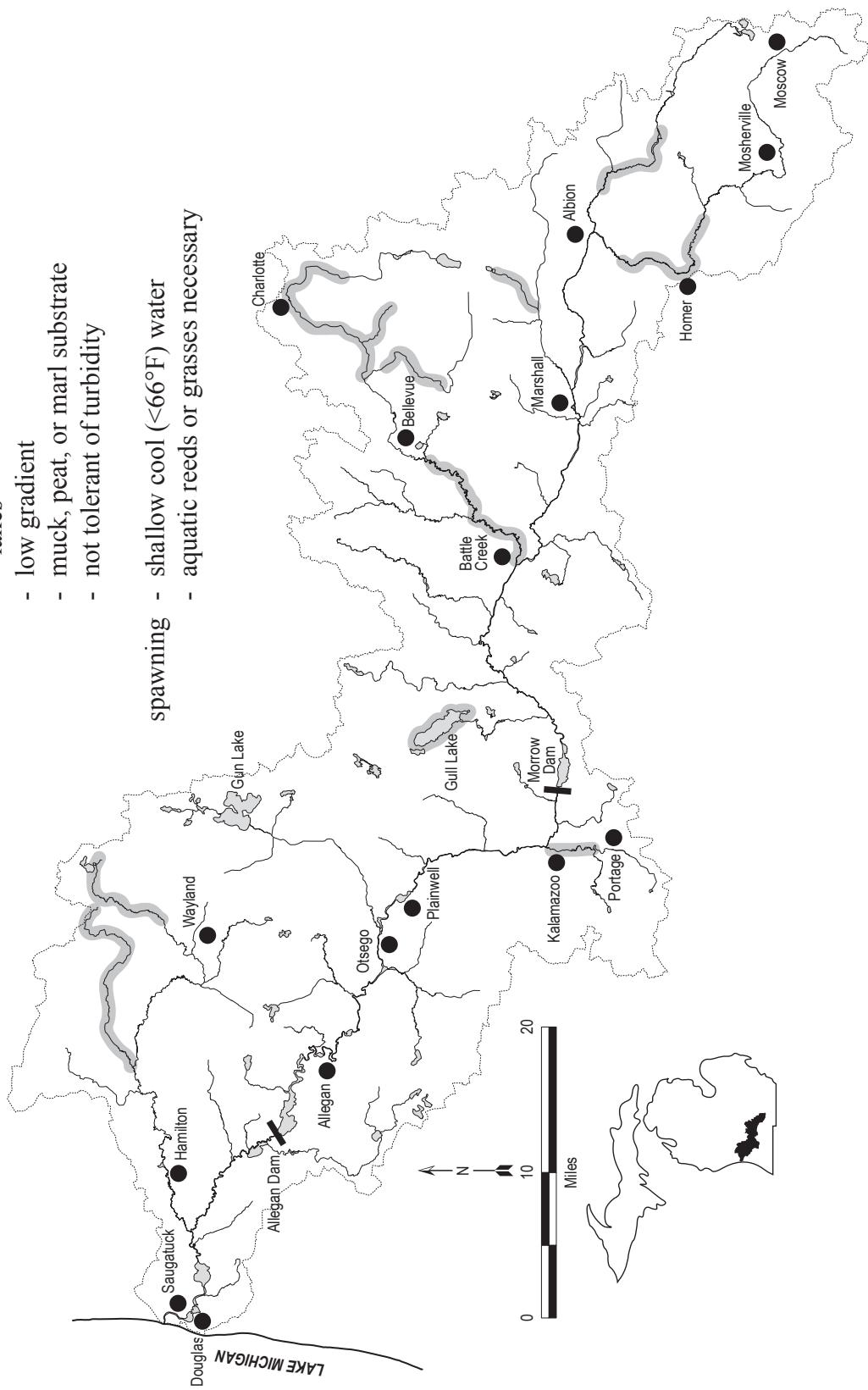


### Brook stickleback (*Culaea inconstans*)

- 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

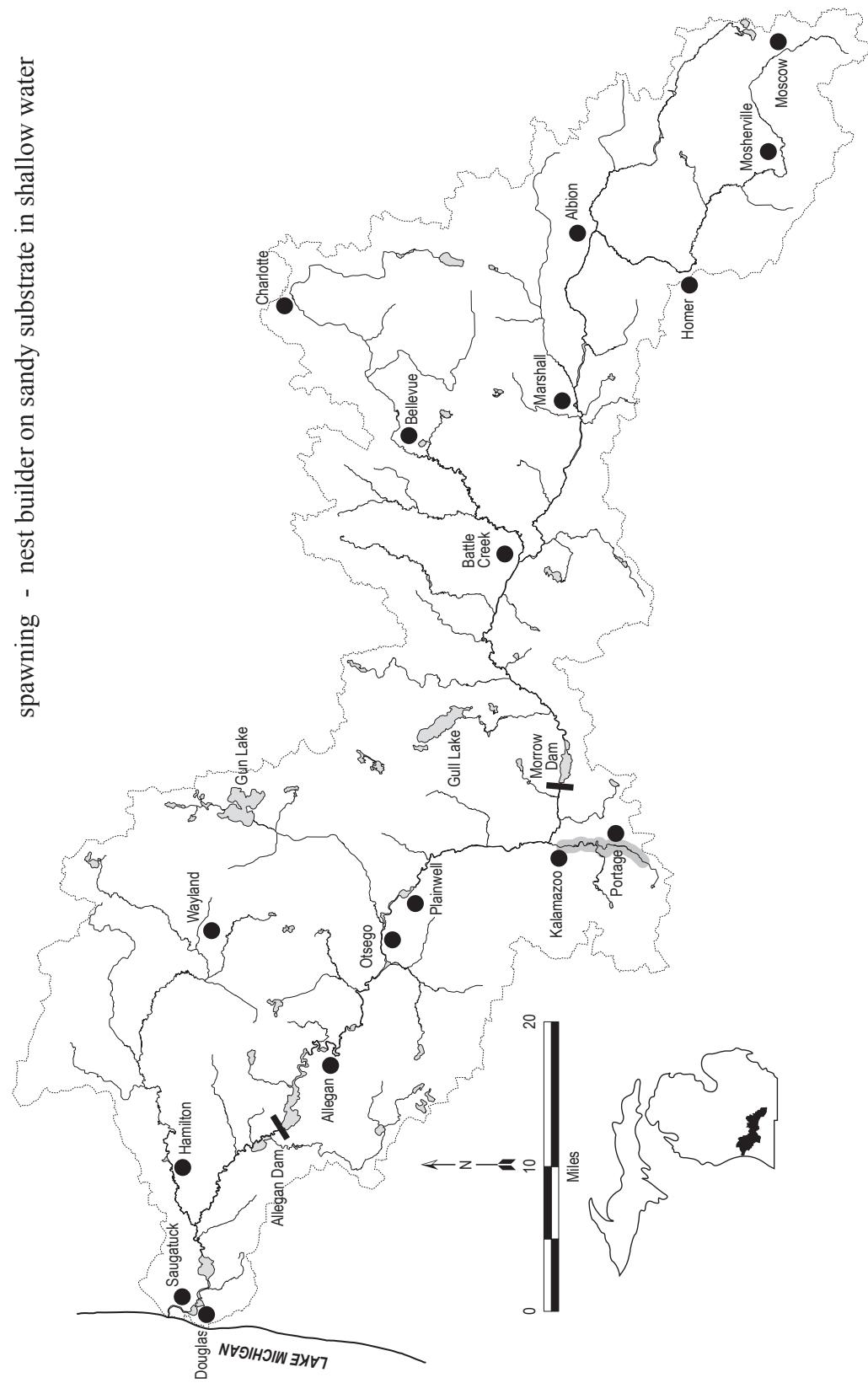


**Threespine stickleback (*Gasterosteus aculeatus*)**

**Habitat:**

feeding - shallow water

spawning - nest builder on sandy substrate in shallow water

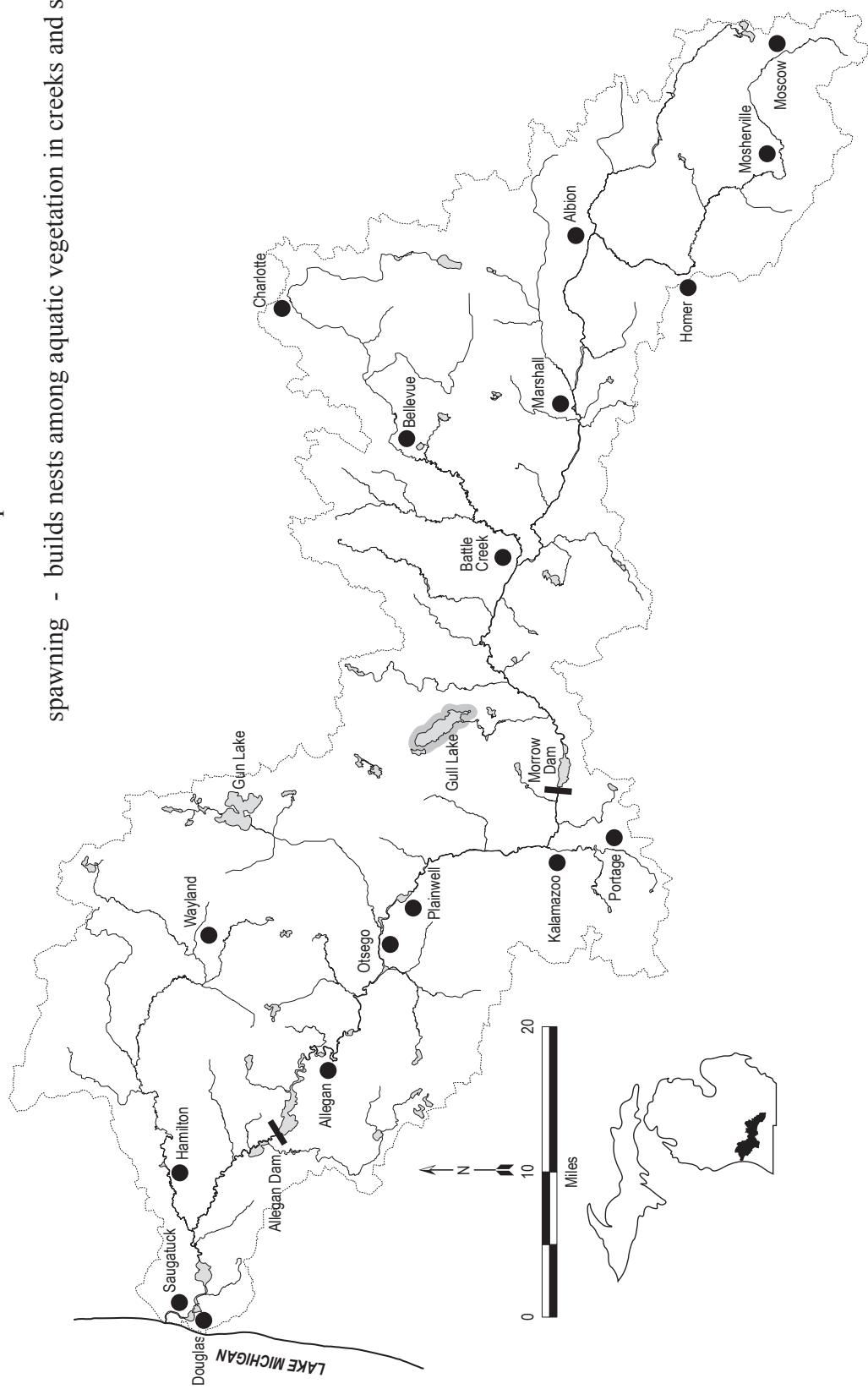


### Ninespine stickleback (*Pungitius pungitius*)

#### Habitat:

- feeding - open water of lakes; also Lake Michigan
- cool quiet waters

spawning - builds nests among aquatic vegetation in creeks and streams

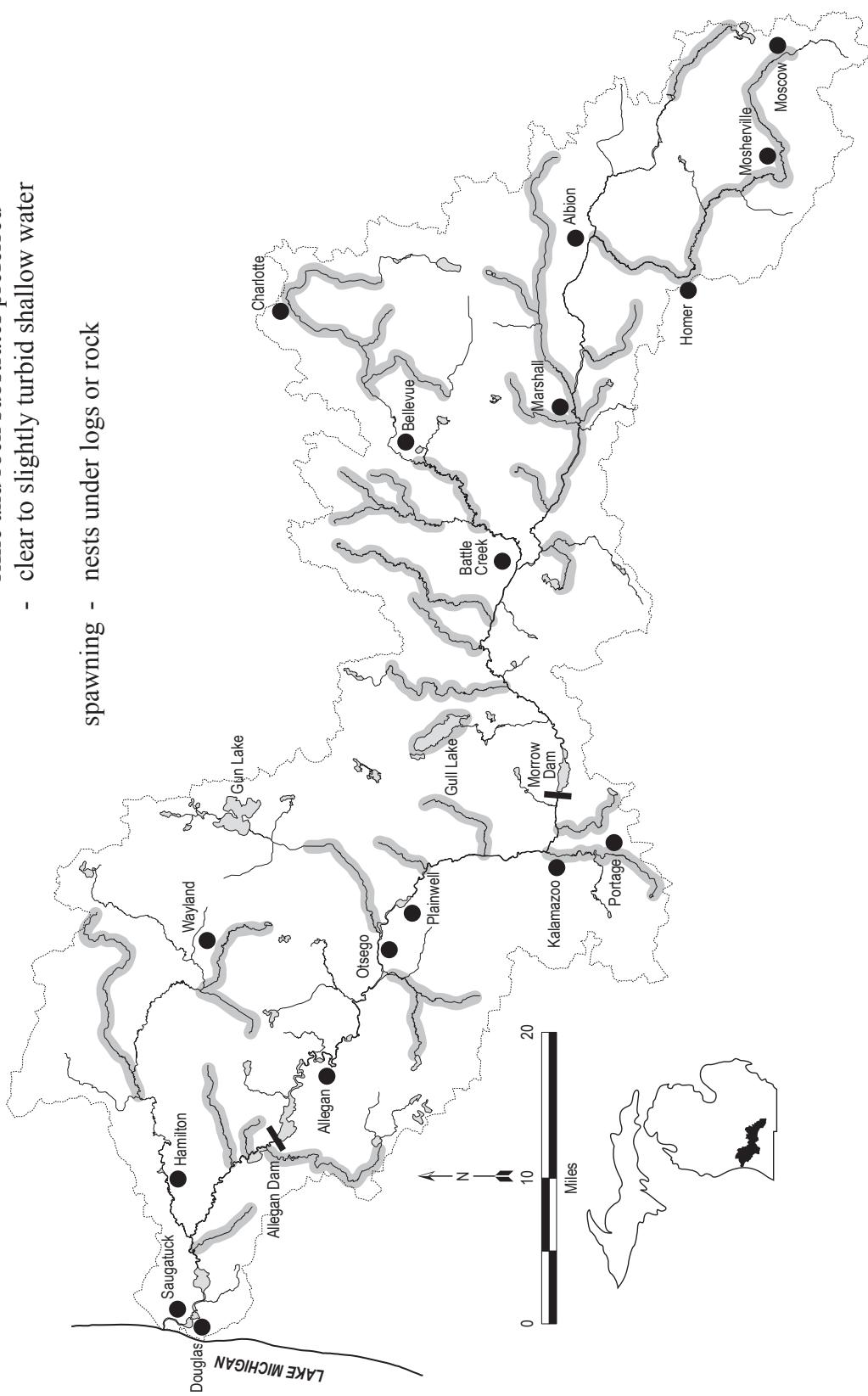


**Mottled sculpin (*Cottus bairdii*)**

**Habitat:**

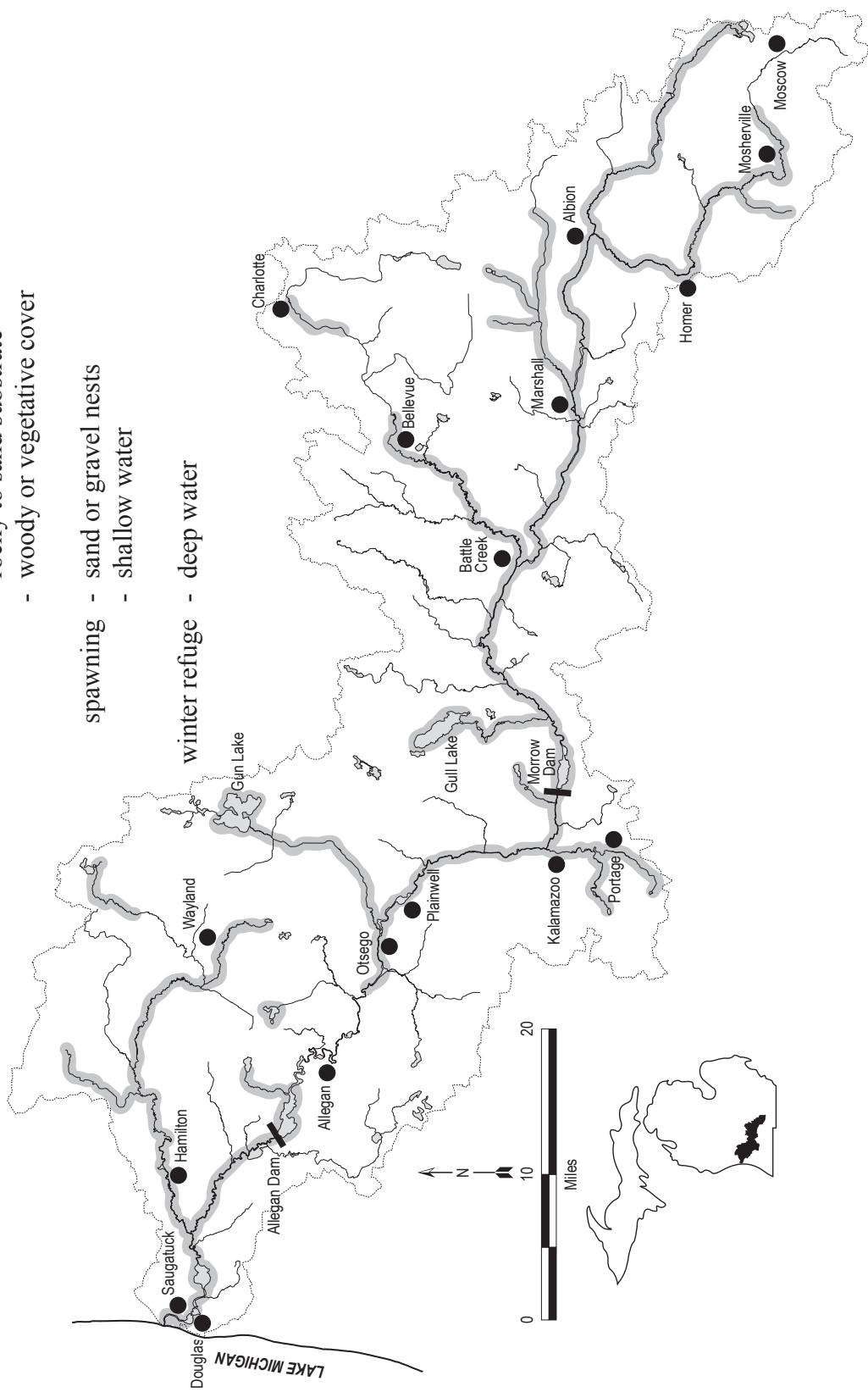
- feeding - cool to cold streams
- riffle and rock substrates preferred
- clear to slightly turbid shallow water

spawning - nests under logs or rock



## Rock bass (*Ambloplites rupestris*)

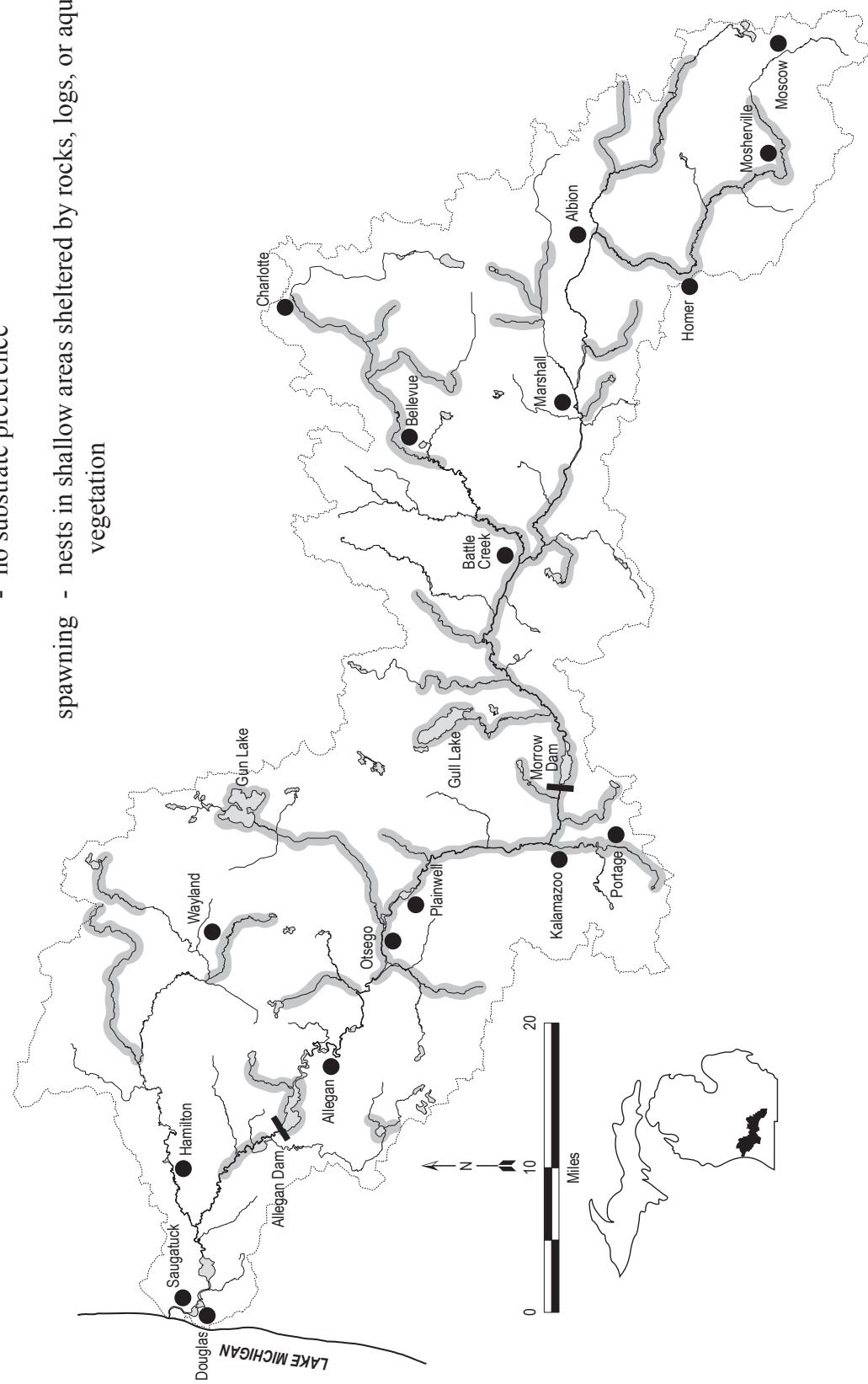
feeding	- clear, cool streams, rivers, and lakes - rocky to sand substrate - woody or vegetative cover
spawning	- sand or gravel nests - shallow water
inter refuge	- deep water



**Green sunfish (*Lepomis cyanellus*)**

**Habitat:** feeding - impoundments and lakes, and low-current streams and rivers  
- no substrate preference

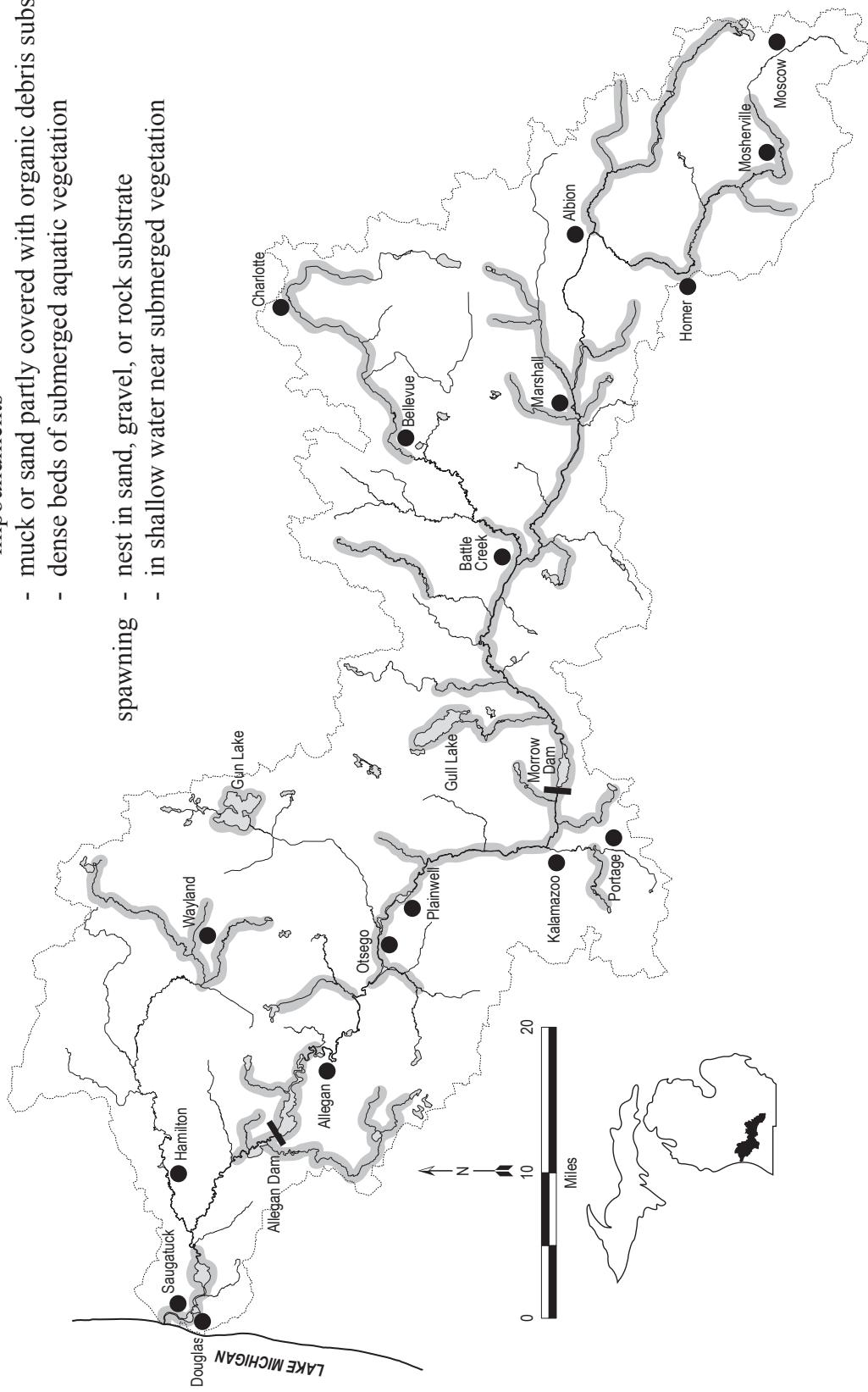
spawning - nests in shallow areas sheltered by rocks, logs, or aquatic vegetation



### Pumpkinseed sunfish (*Lepomis gibbosus*)

**Habitat:**

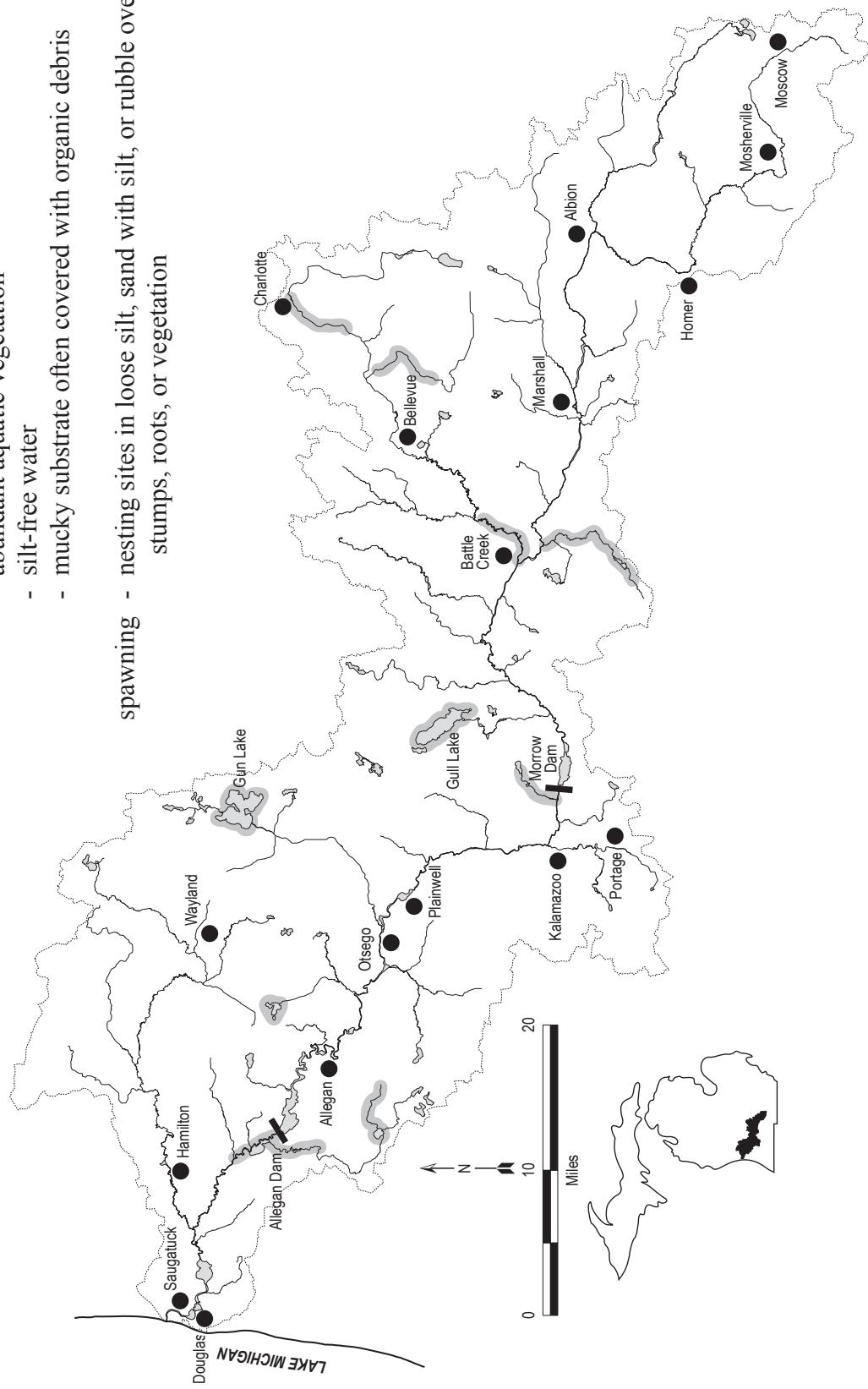
- feeding - non-flowing clear water in streams and rivers; also lakes and impoundments
  - muck or sand partly covered with organic debris substrate
  - dense beds of submerged aquatic vegetation
  
- spawning - nest in sand, gravel, or rock substrate
  - in shallow water near submerged vegetation



**Warmouth (*Lepomis gulosus*)**

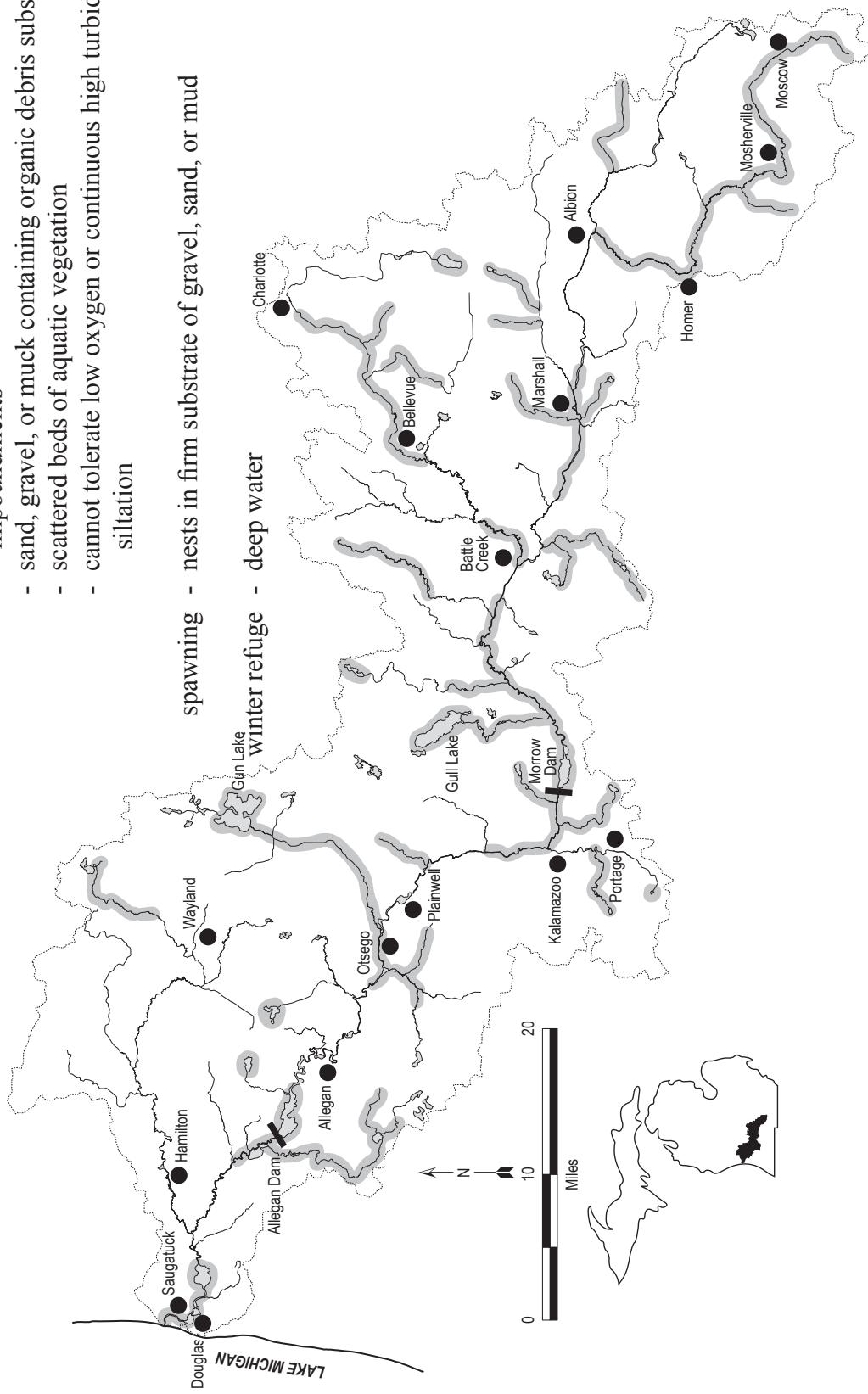
**Habitat:**

- feeding - clear lakes and impoundments and very low-gradient streams
  - abundant aquatic vegetation
  - silt-free water
  - mucky substrate often covered with organic debris
  
- spawning - nesting sites in loose silt, sand with silt, or rubble over silt near stumps, roots, or 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



**Redear sunfish (*Lepomis microlophus*)**

**Habitat:**

- feeding - non-flowing clear waters of streams and lakes
- some aquatic vegetation

spawning - nest in silt or gravel substrate

