

# Golden redhorse (Moxostoma erythrurum)

#### Habitat:

feeding - warm medium gradient streams and rivers

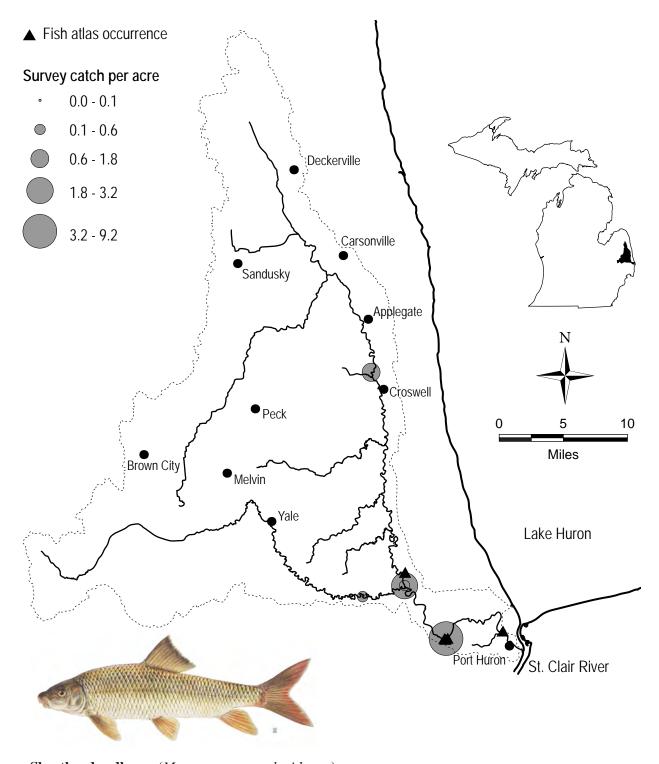
- clear riffly streams

- medium size streams and rivers

- tolerates some turbidity and silt

spawning - shallow gravelly riffles

winter refuge - larger streams



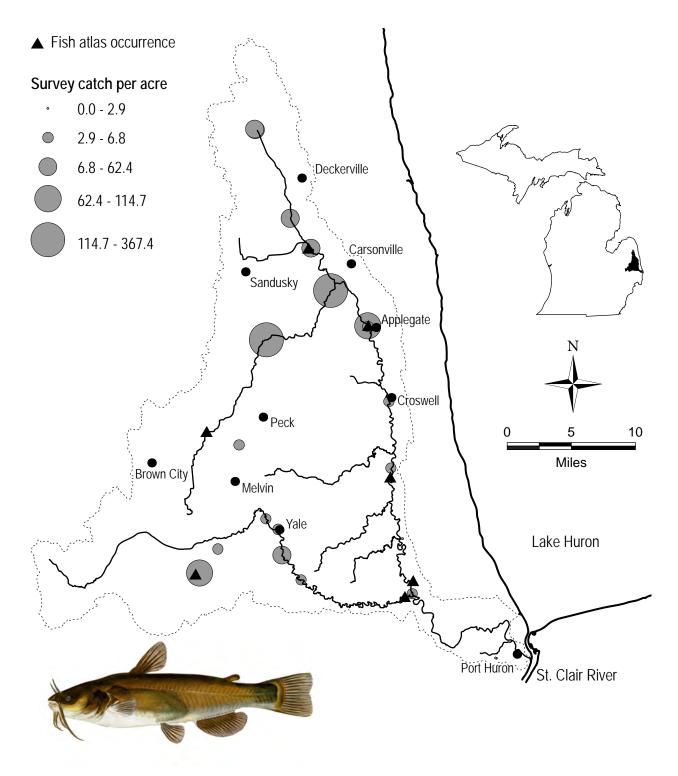
# **Shorthead redhorse** (Moxostoma macrolepidotum)

#### Habitat:

feeding - downstream sections of large rivers, lakes, and impoundments

- rocky substrates
- swift water near riffles
- clear to slightly turbid water

spawning - gravelly riffles in smaller feeder streams



# Greater redhorse (Moxostoma valenciennesi)

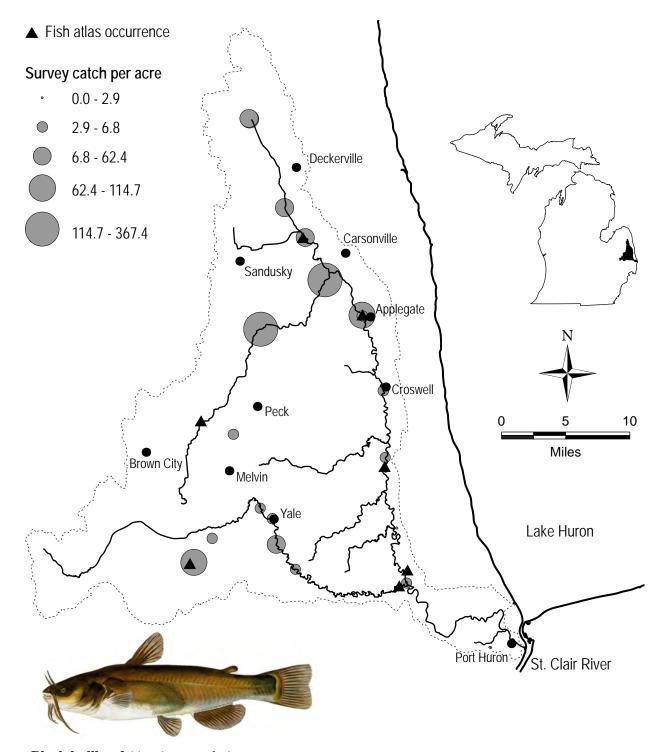
Habitat:

feeding - large clear streams

- clean sand, gravel, or boulder substrate

- intolerant of excessive turbidity and chemical pollutants

spawning - moderately rapid current



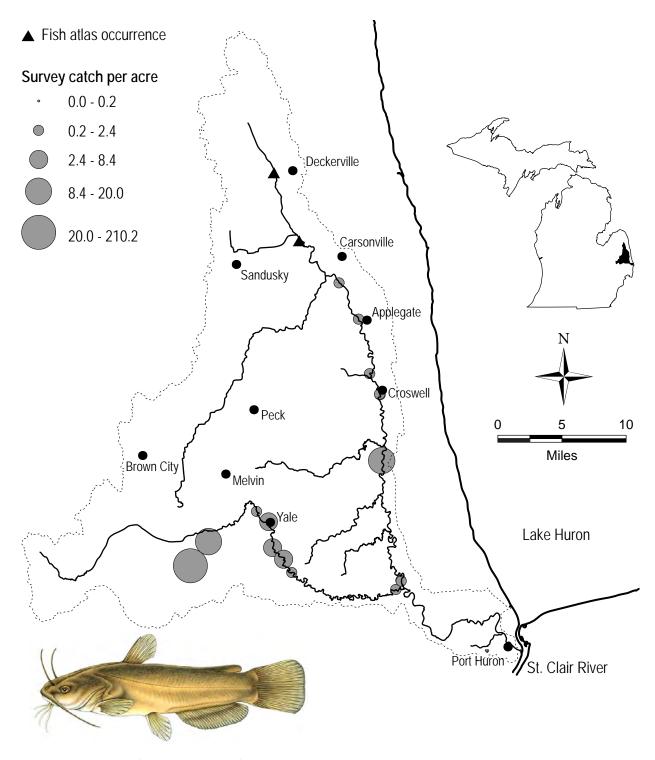
Black bullhead (Ameiurus melas)

Habitat:

feeding - turbid water

- silt bottom
- low gradient small to medium streams, pools, and headwaters of large rivers; also in lakes and impoundments
- can tolerate very warm water and very low dissolved oxygen

spawning - nest in moderate to heavy vegetation or woody debris and under overhanging banks



# Yellow bullhead (Ameiurus natalis)

#### Habitat:

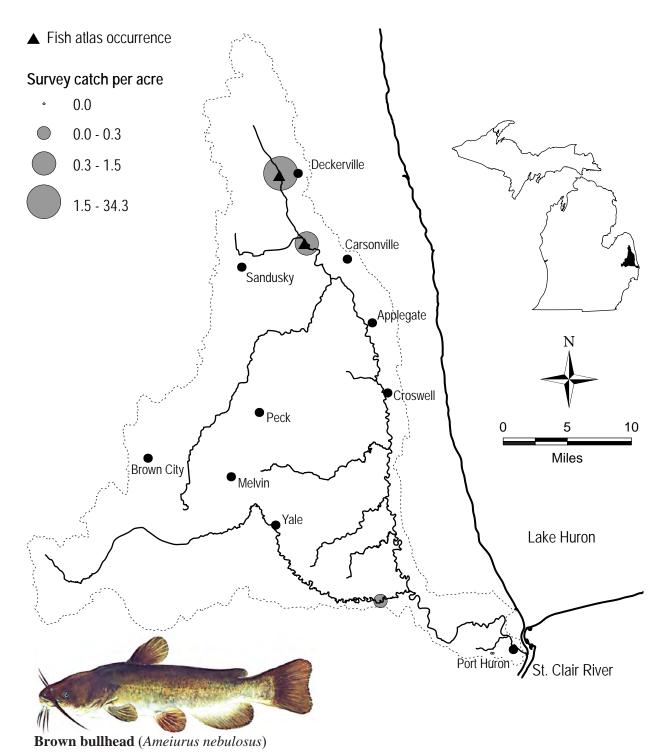
feeding - clear flowing water

- heavy vegetation

- low gradient streams, lakes, and impoundments

- tolerant of low oxygen

spawning - nest under a stream bank or near stones or stumps



Habitat:

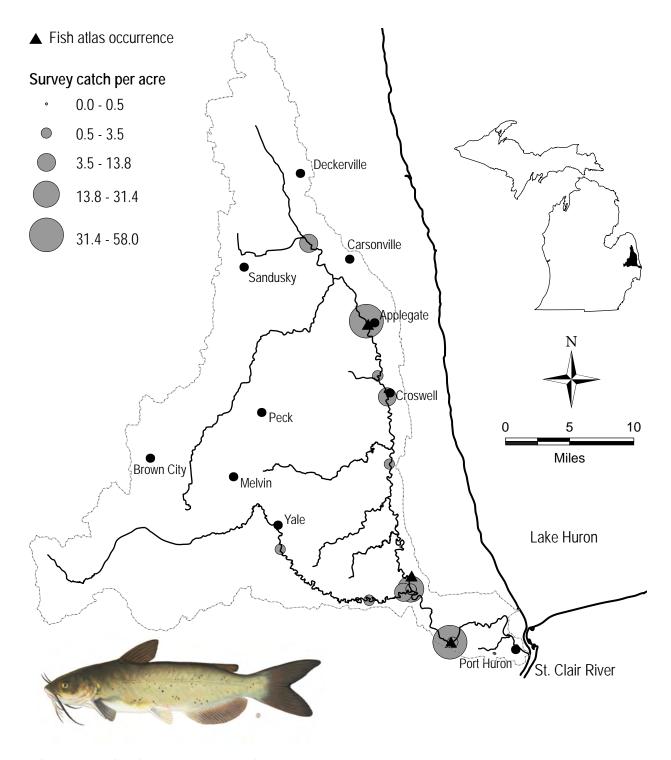
feeding - larger streams and rivers, lakes and impoundments

- clear cool water with little clayey silt
- moderate amounts of aquatic vegetation
- sand, gravel, or muck substrate
- not tolerant of turbid water
- tolerant of warm water and low oxygen

spawning - nest in mud or sand substrate among rooted aquatic vegetation

usually near a stump, tree, or rock

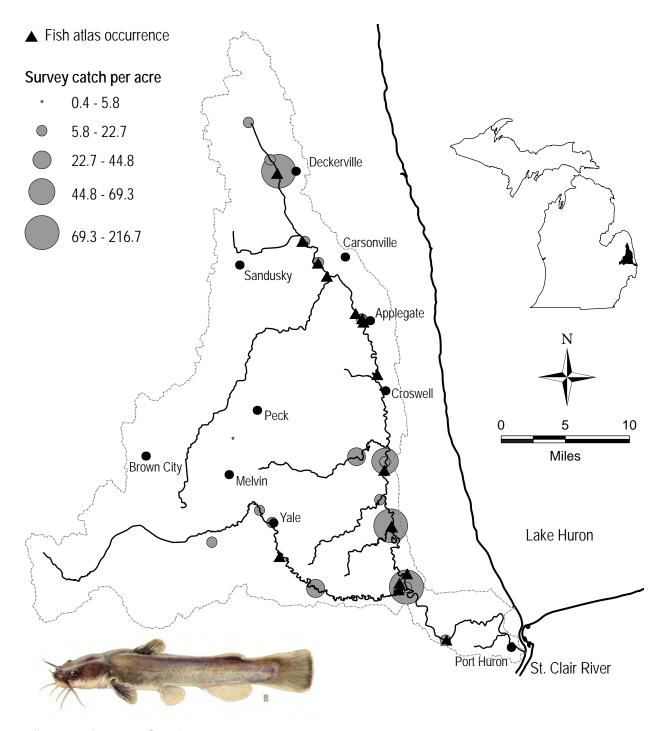
winter refuge - in muddy bottoms



# Channel catfish (Ictalurus punctatus)

#### Habitat:

- feeding moderately-clear, deeper waters of rivers, lakes, and impoundments
  - sand, gravel, or rubble substrate
  - low to moderate gradient
- spawning secluded semi-dark areas such as holes, under banks, log jams, or rocks



# **Stonecat** (Noturus flavus)

# Habitat:

feeding - consistent low to moderate gradient flowing water

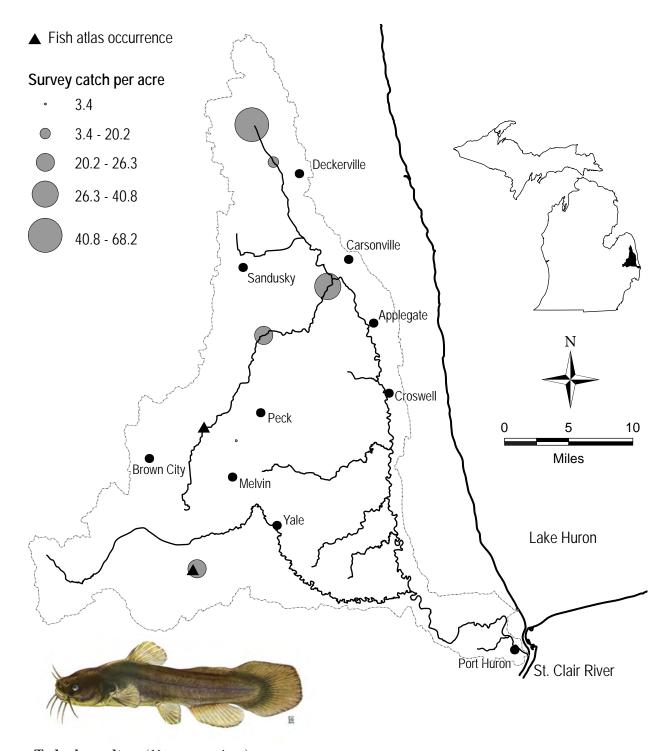
- rocky riffles of larger streams and smaller rivers

- not tolerant of silt

- tolerant of low oxygen and pollution

spawning - eggs deposited beneath stones

- shallow rocky areas of streams or lakes



# **Tadpole madtom** (Noturus gyrinus)

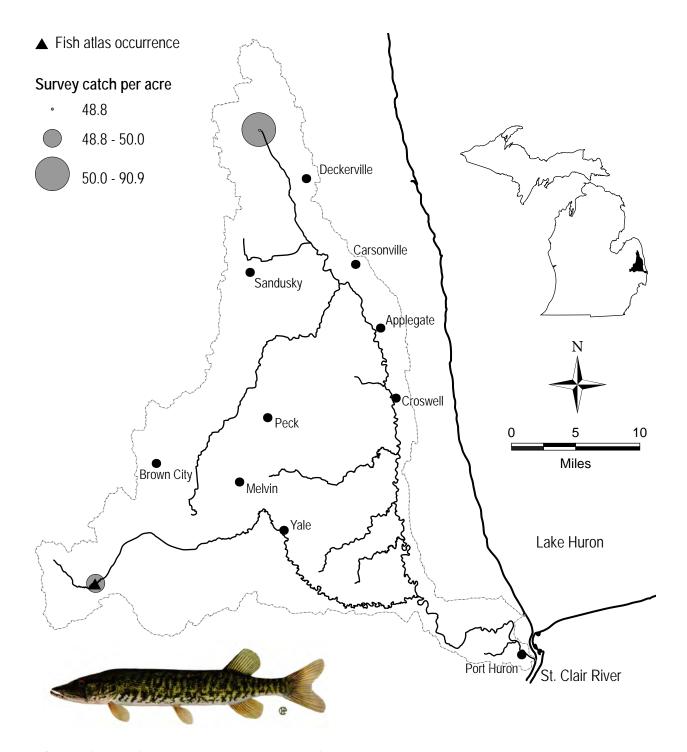
#### Habitat:

feeding - vegetative cover in low-moderate current waters

- muddy substrate with extensive vegetation
- clear waters of streams, rivers, and lakes

spawning - mostly in rivers, sometimes shallows of lakes

- nests in dark cavities (ex: beneath boards, logs, crayfish burrows)



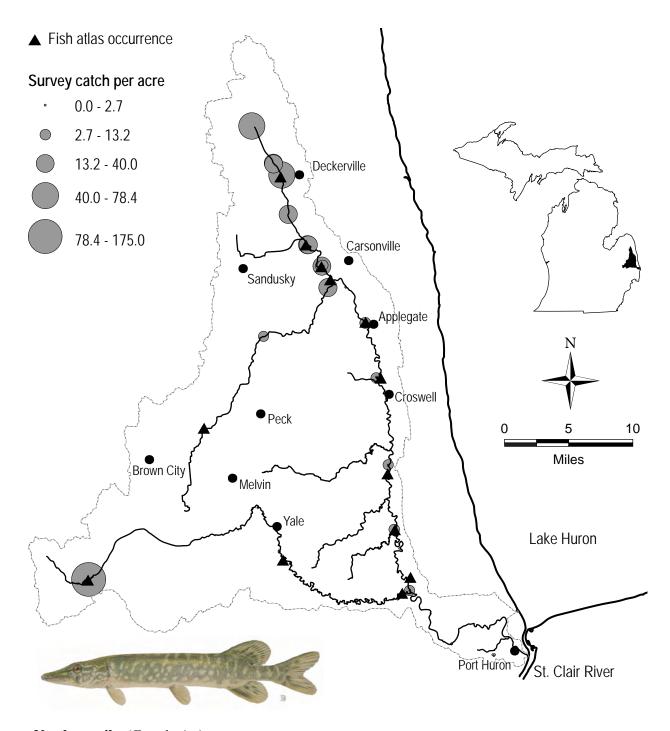
# Grass pickerel (Esox americanus vermiculatus)

Habitat:

feeding - juveniles: along shore

- adults: in deeper portions of streams, rivers, lakes, and impoundments
- clear water, little current, dense vegetation
- tolerates low oxygen concentrations

spawning - broadcast spawner over submerged vegetation



# Northern pike (Esox lucius)

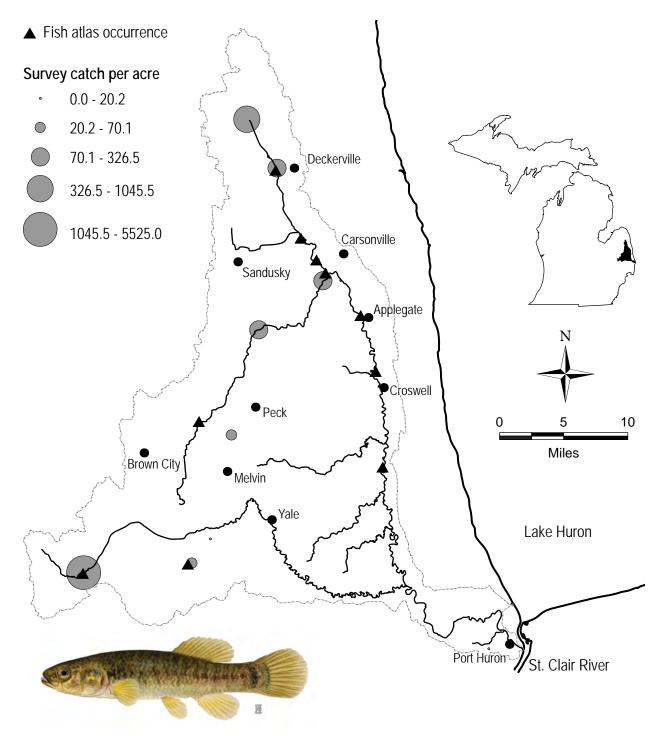
Habitat:

feeding - cool to moderately warm streams, rivers, lakes, and

impoundments

- vegetation in slow to moderate current

spawning - submerged vegetation with slow current in shallow water



#### Central mudminnow (Umbra limi)

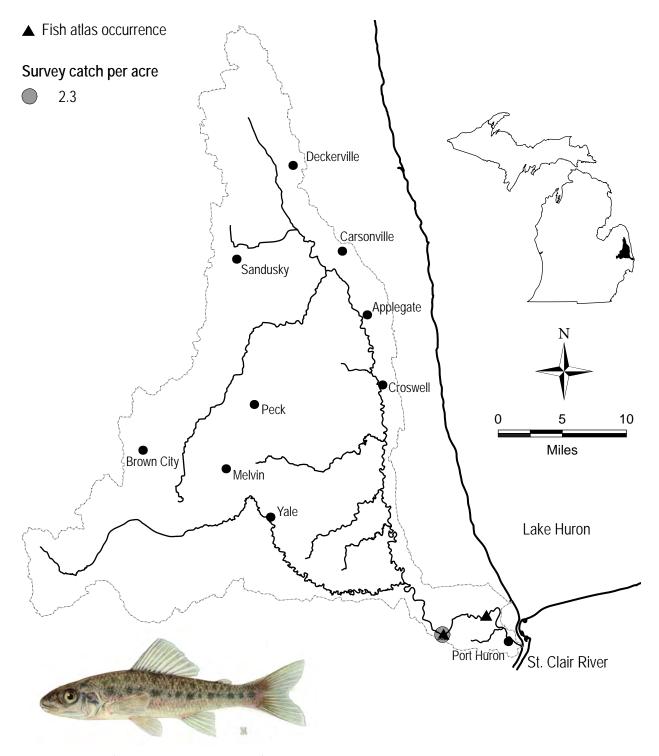
Habitat:

feeding - undisturbed clear, low-gradient streams or rivers and lakes and impoundments

- organic debris, muck, or peat substrates

- aquatic vegetation

spawning - floodplain areas, on vegetation



**Trout-perch** (Percopsis omiscomaycus)

#### Habitat:

feeding - clean sand or fine gravel substrate

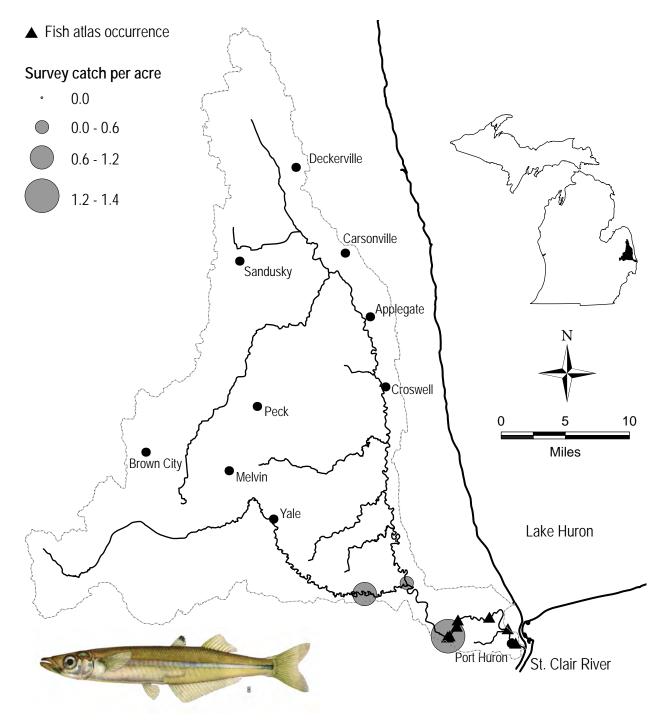
- long deep pools in low gradient streams and Lake Michigan

- highly intolerant of clayey silts

- avoids rooted aquatic vegetation

spawning - over rocks in shallows

- over sand and gravel substrates in Lake Michigan



# **Brook silverside** (*Labidesthes sicculus*)

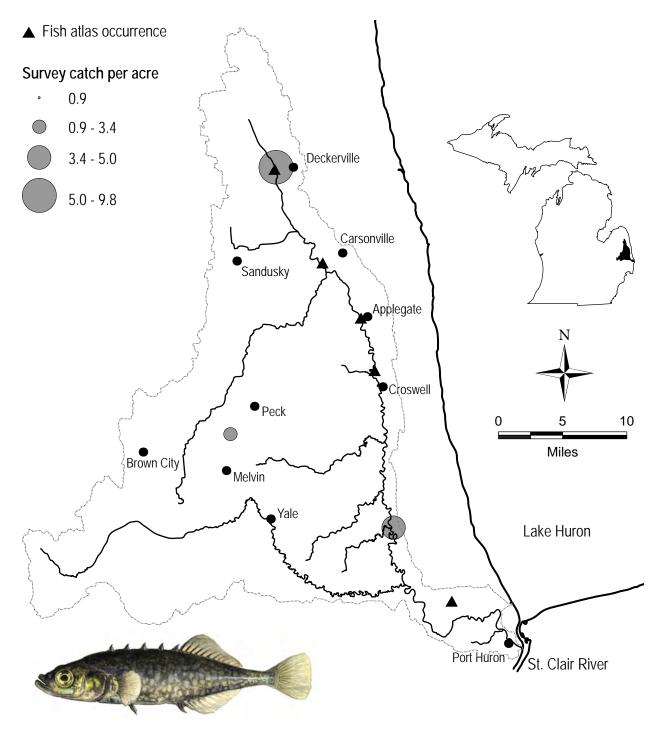
Habitat:

feeding - clear, warm pools in streams and rivers; also lakes

- does not tolerate turbidity

- most frequently at surface

spawning - in and around aquatic vegetation or over gravel substrate with a moderate current



# **Brook stickleback** (Culaea inconstans)

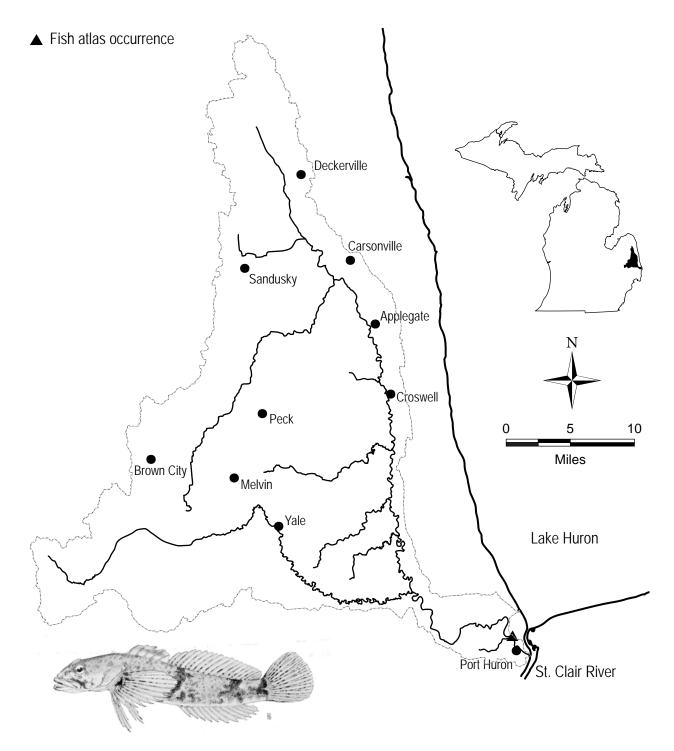
#### Habitat:

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)

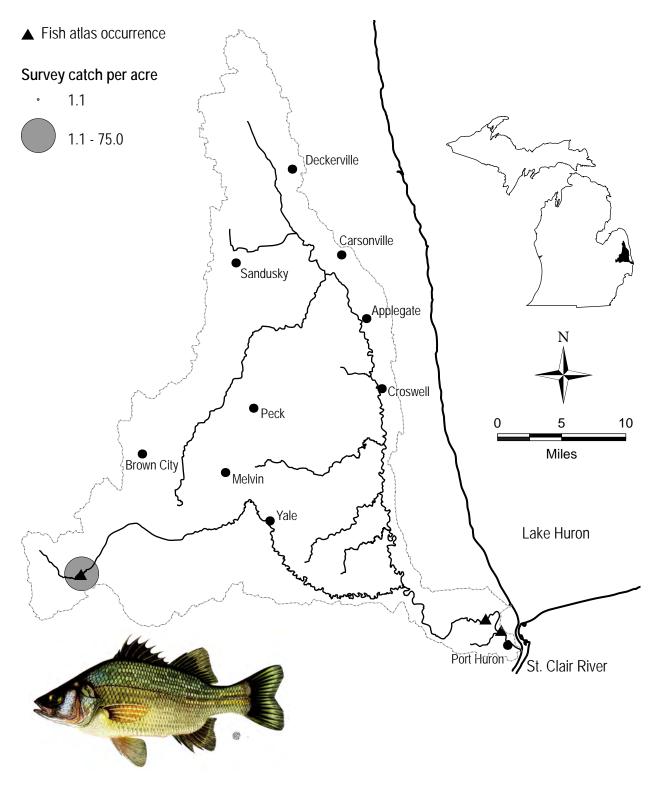
#### Habitat:

feeding - cool to cold streams

- riffle and rock substrates preferred

- clear to slightly turbid shallow water

spawning - nests under logs or rock



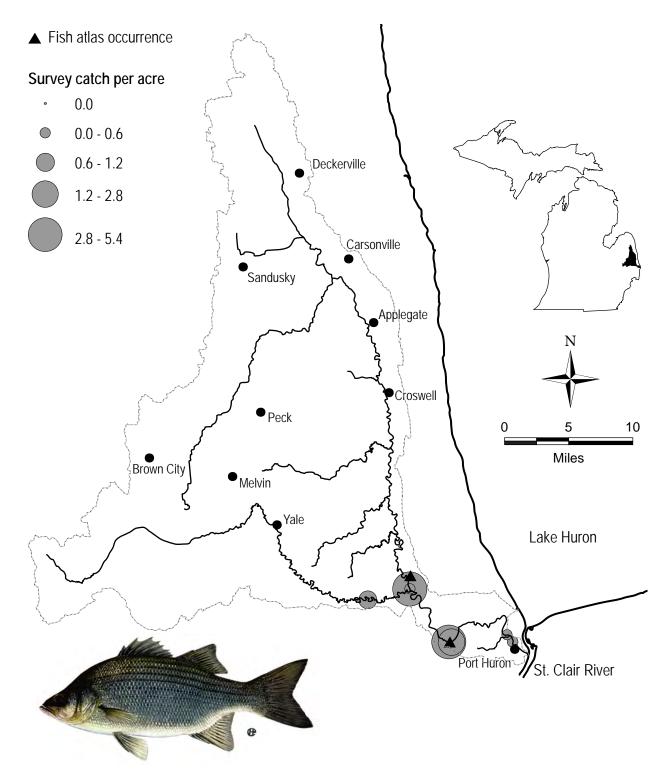
# White perch (Morone americana)

Habitat:

feeding - clear, warm water of low-gradient streams, lakes,

impoundments, and Lake Erie

spawning - shallow water over firm substrate



# White bass (Morone chrysops)

Habitat:

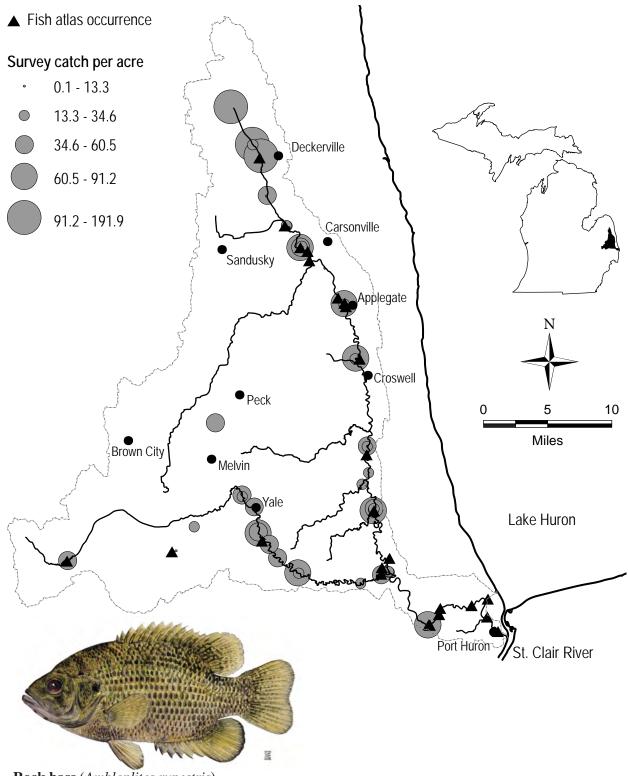
feeding - large lakes, impoundments, and Lake Huron

- clear water of 30 feet or less depth

- firm substrate

spawning - tributary streams or shallow water of lakes

- over firm substrate



**Rock bass** (Ambloplites rupestris)

Habitat:

feeding - clear, cool streams, rivers, and lakes

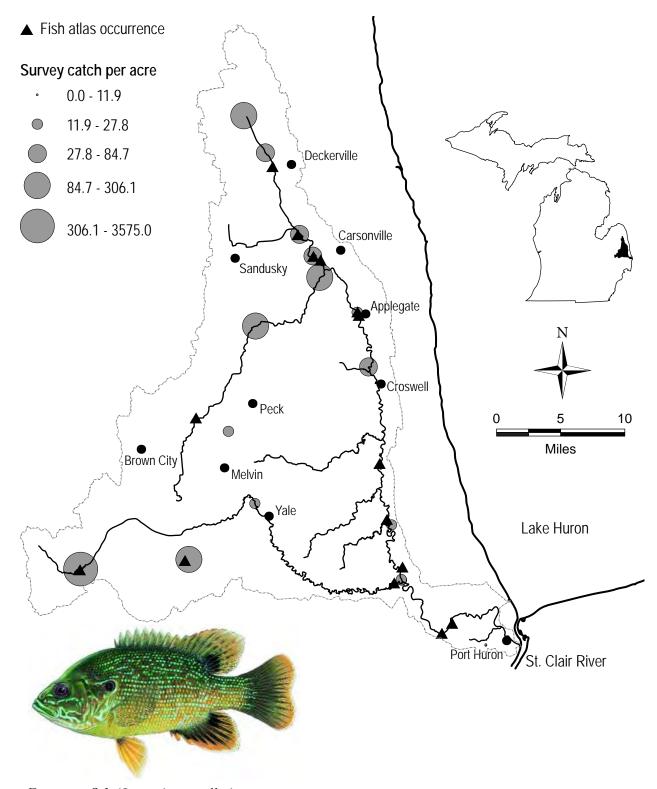
- rocky to sand substrate

- woody or vegetative cover

spawning - sand or gravel nests

- shallow water

winter refuge - deep water



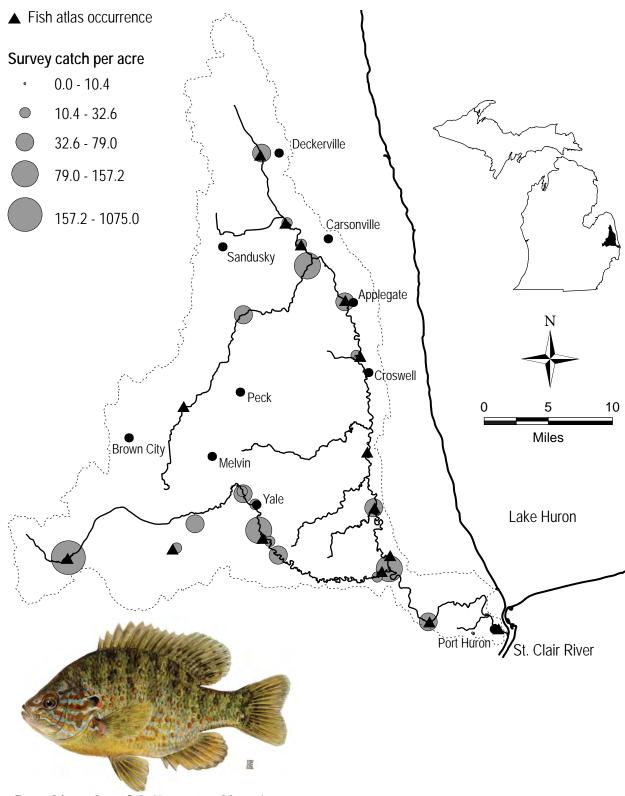
**Green sunfish** (Lepomis cyanellus)

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)

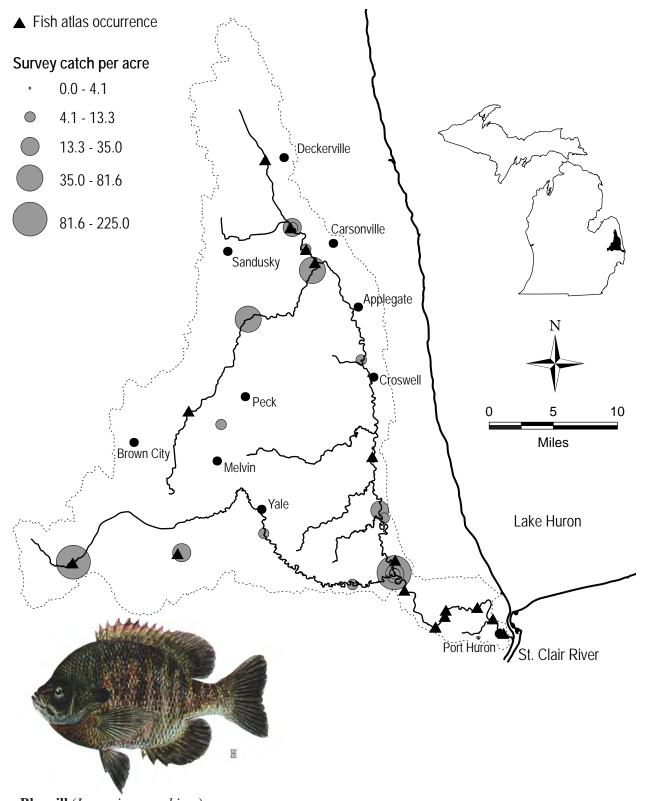
Habitat: feeding - non-flowing clear water in streams and rivers; also lakes and impoundments

- 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



Bluegill (Lepomis macochirus)

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

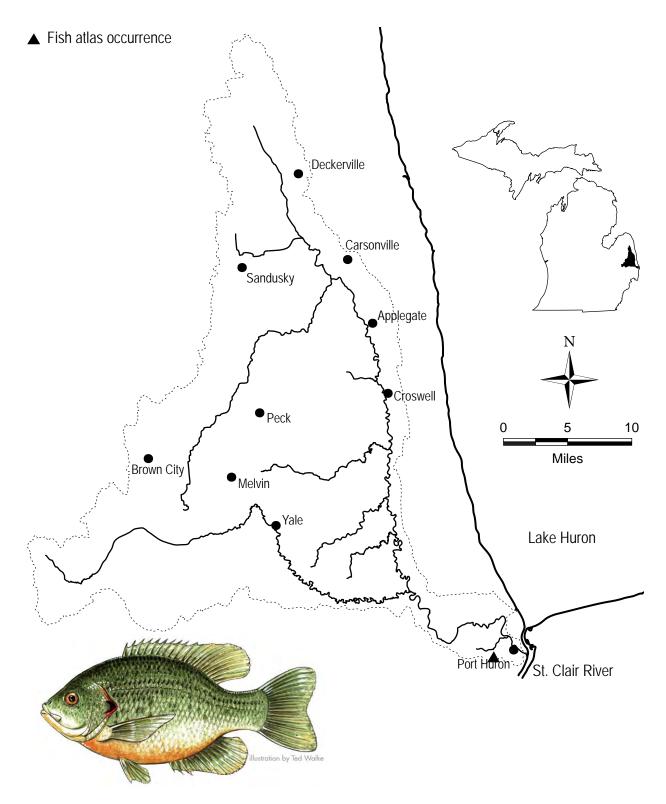
- sand, gravel, or muck containing organic debris substrate

- 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



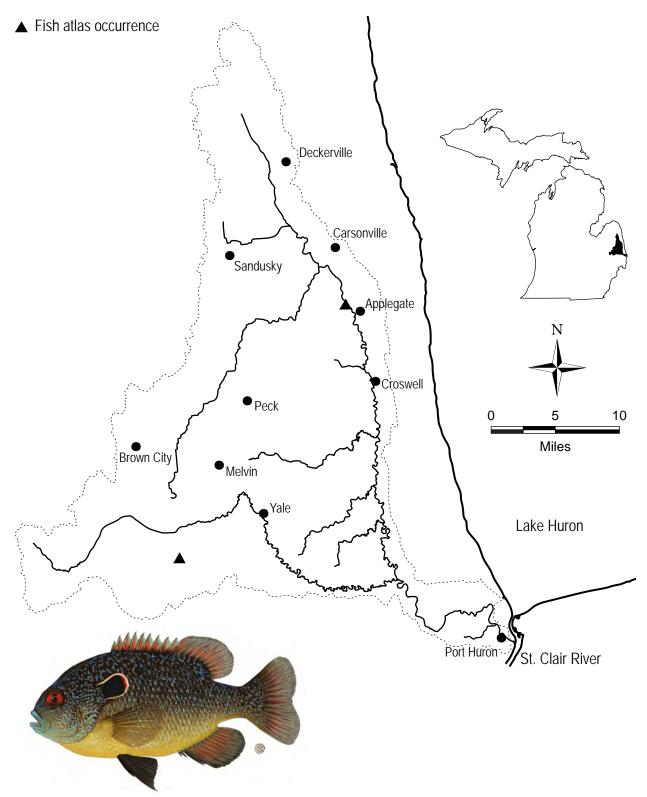
# Redear sunfish (Lepomis microlophus)

Habitat:

feeding - non-flowing clear waters of streams and lakes

- some aquatic vegetation

spawning - nest in silt or gravel substrate



Northern longear sunfish (Lepomis peltastes)

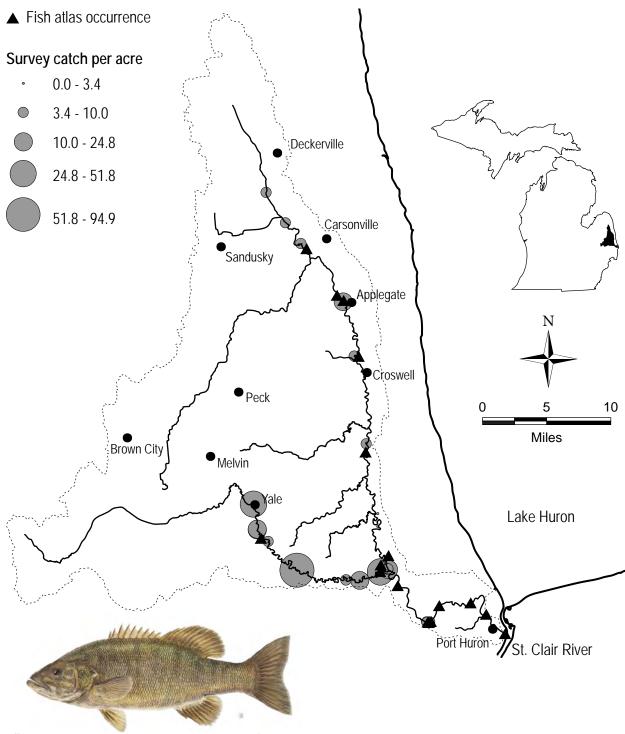
Habitat:

feeding - clear moderate-sized shallow streams with moderate vegetation

- rocky substrates

- little to no current

spawning - nests in gravel, sand, or hard rock substrate



# 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

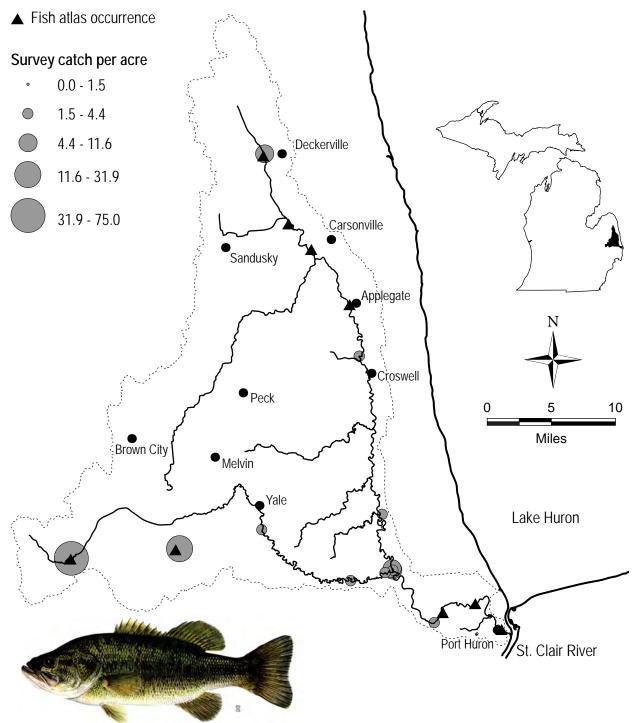
spawning - nest in sandy, gravel, or rocky substrate

- 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)

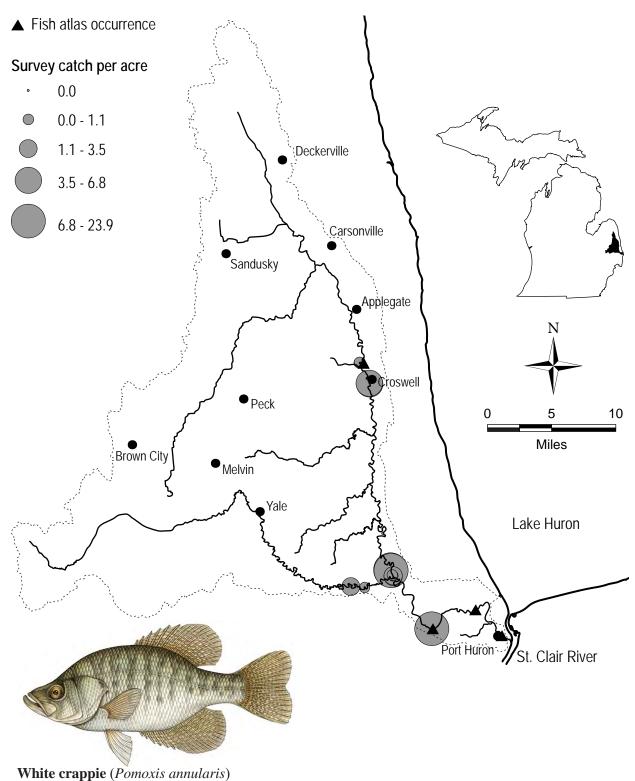
Habitat:

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



Habitat:

feeding - lakes and impoundments >5 acres

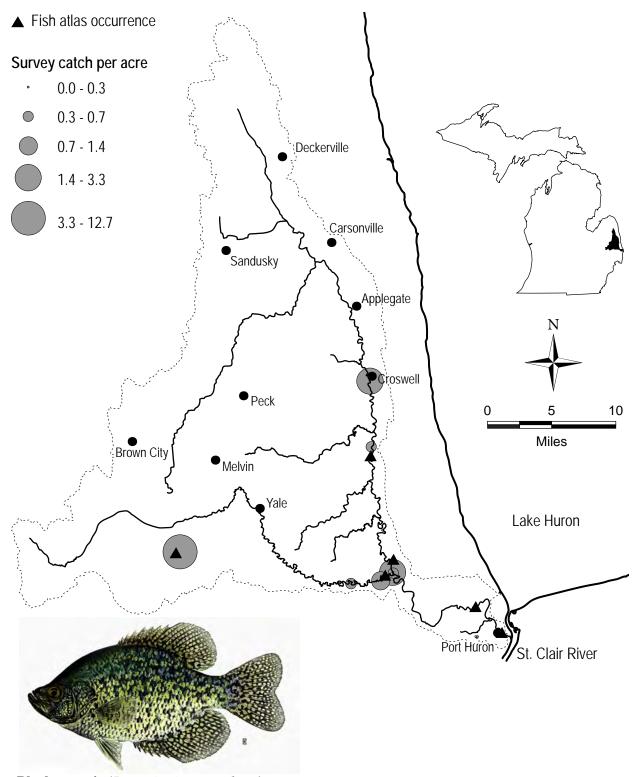
- sluggish pools of moderate to large low-gradient rivers

- no substrate preference

- can tolerate severe turbidity and rapid siltation

spawning - various substrates usually beside rooted aquatic vegetation

- sometimes under banks



**Black crappie** (*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*)

Habitat: feeding - larger clear non-silty low-gradient rivers; impoundments

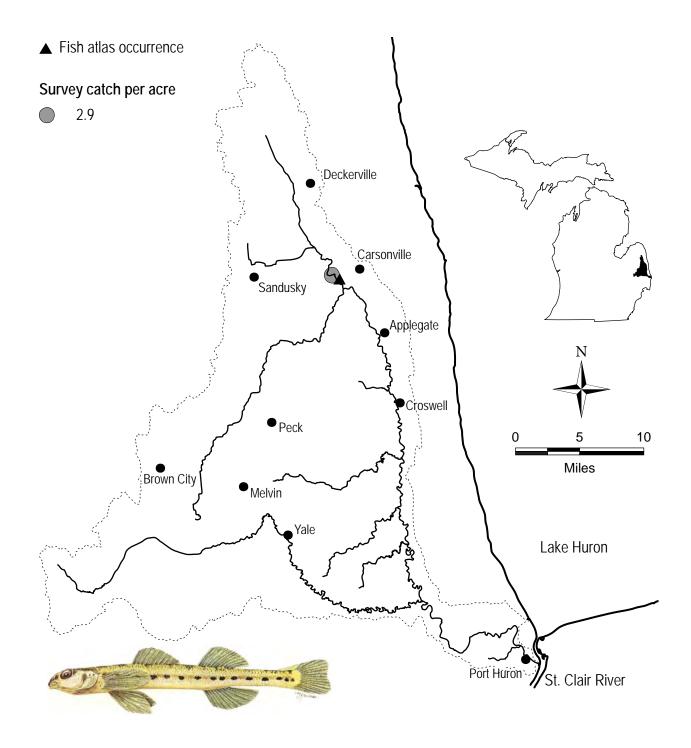
- clean sand or muck substrate

- prefers submerged vegetation

spawning - nests in gravel, sand, or mud substrates

- some vegetation must be present

- sometimes nests under banks



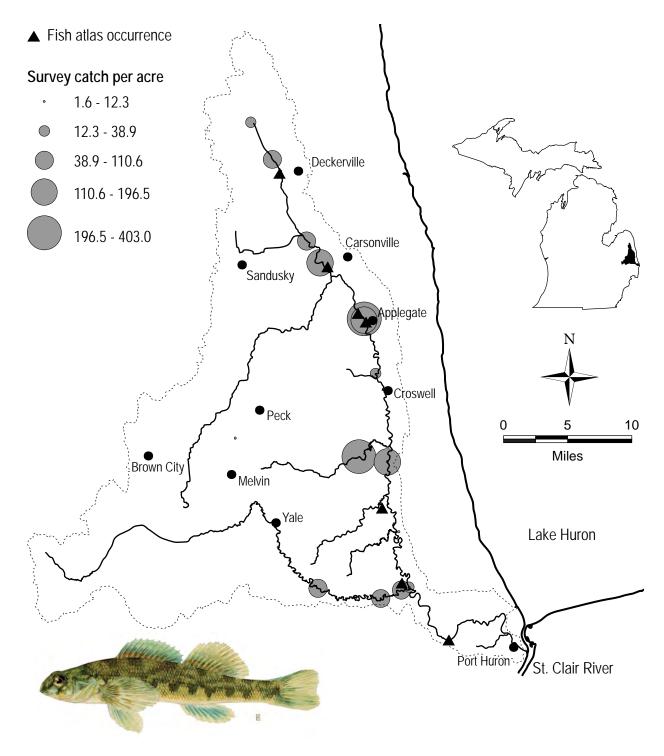
Eastern sand darter (Ammocrypta pellucida) – threatened

Habitat:

feeding - sandy substrate in clear streams and lakes

- does not tolerate silt well

spawning - sandy substrate



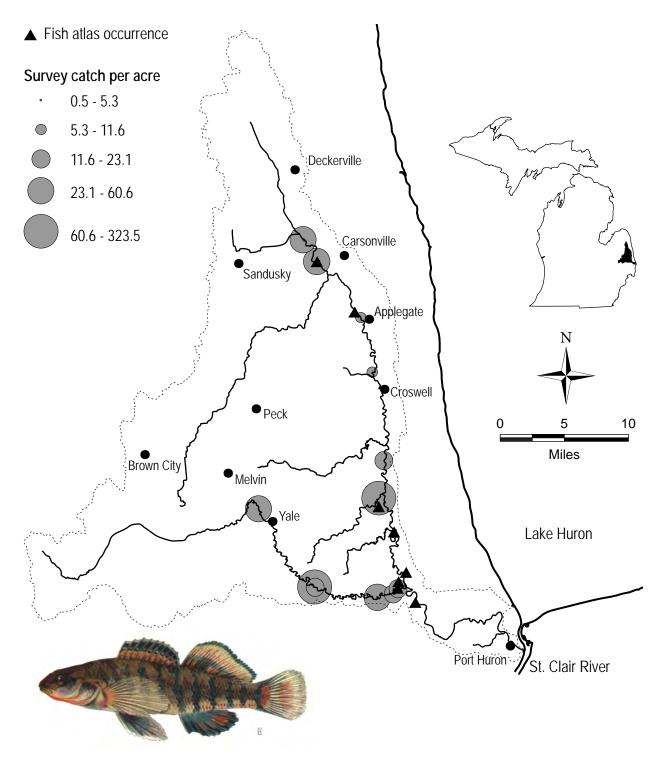
# **Greenside darter** (Etheostoma blennioides)

Habitat:

feeding - young: in quiet water

- swift gravelly riffles or pools with current of streams and rivers

spawning - filamentous algae necessary for egg deposition



# Rainbow darter (Etheostoma caeruleum)

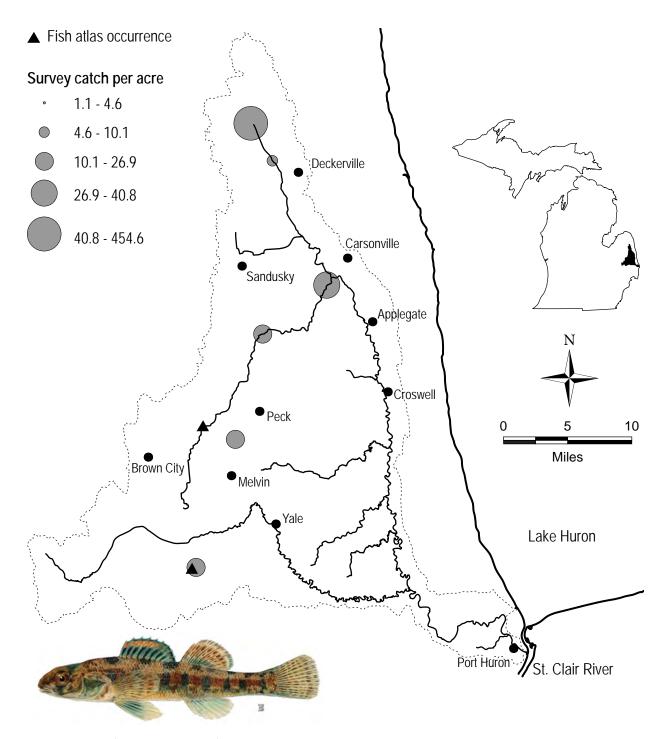
Habitat:

feeding - gravelly high gradient riffles

- clear, moderate to large streams

- in shallows (average 1 foot)

spawning - gravel or rubble riffles



# Iowa darter (Etheostoma exile)

# Habitat:

feeding - clear, slow moving streams and lakes

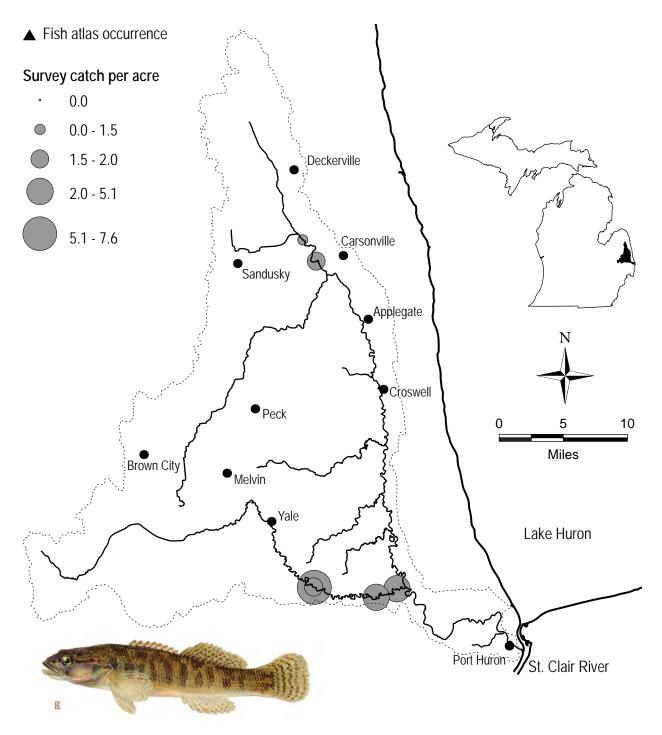
- sandy to muddy substrates

- intolerant of turbid water

- lives in rooted aquatic vegetation

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

- in shallows



# Fantail darter Etheostoma flabellare

Habitat: feeding - small, shallow (<18 inches) streams

- some tolerance of turbidity and siltation

- clear warm waters

- slow to moderate current

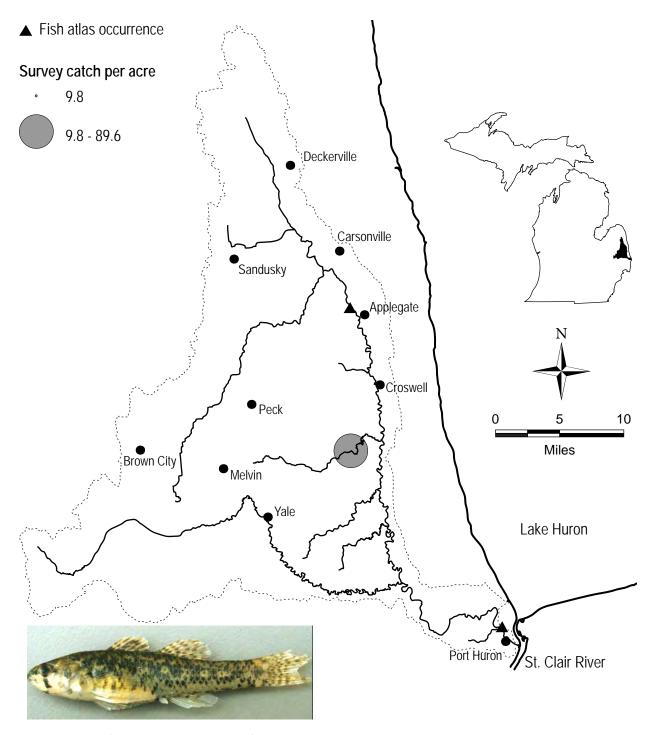
- gravel and boulder substrate

spawning - gravel in slower water

- lays eggs on underside of rocks, male guards and fans them

winter refuge - moves downstream to larger and

deeper waters



# Least darter (Etheostoma microperca)

# Habitat:

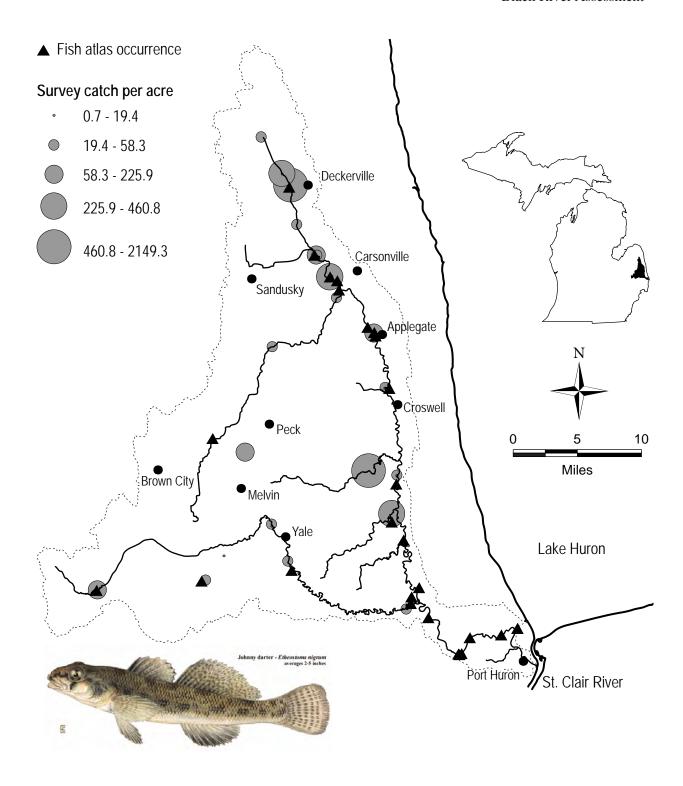
feeding - moderate to warm temperature

- clear quiet low-gradient vegetated streams (wetlands,

floodplains)
- soft substrate

spawning - spawning occurs on stems of plants

- male guards a territory in a vegetated area



# **Johnny darter** (Etheostoma nigrum)

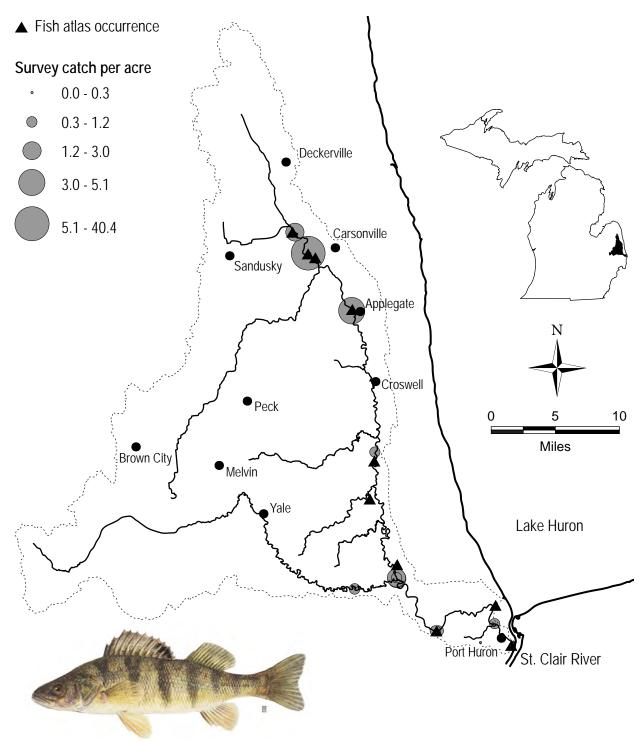
#### Habitat:

feeding - sand and silt substrate

- little to moderate current
- shallow areas of streams, rivers, lakes, and impoundments
- tolerant of many organic and inorganic pollutants and turbidity

spawning - underneath rocks

- in stream pools or protected shallows of lakes



# Yellow perch (Perca flavescens)

Habitat: feeding - clear lakes and impoundments; also Lake Michigan

- low gradient rivers

- abundance of rooted aquatics

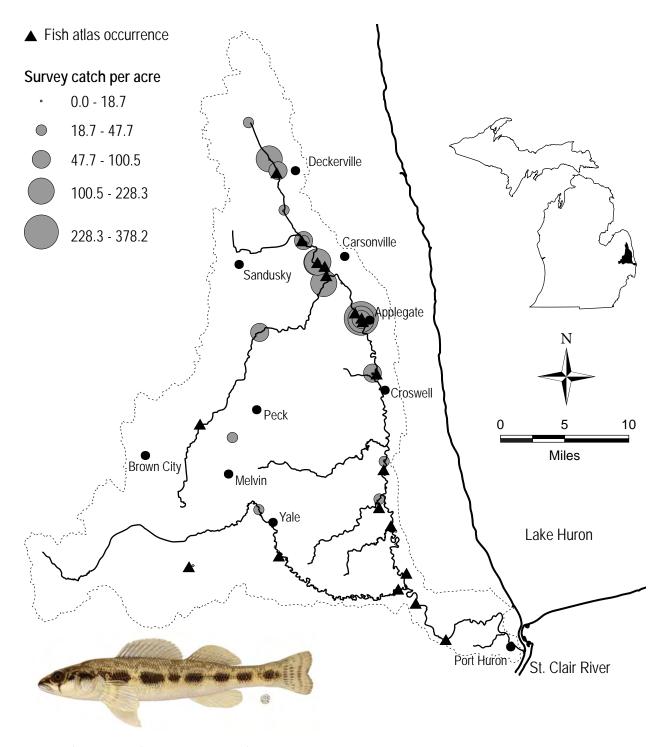
- muck, organic debris, sand, or gravel substrate

- does not tolerate turbidity and siltation

spawning - shallows of lakes, tributaries of streams

- occurs over rooted vegetation, submerged brush, fallen trees

- may occur over sand or gravel



# Blackside darter (Percina maculata)

Habitat:

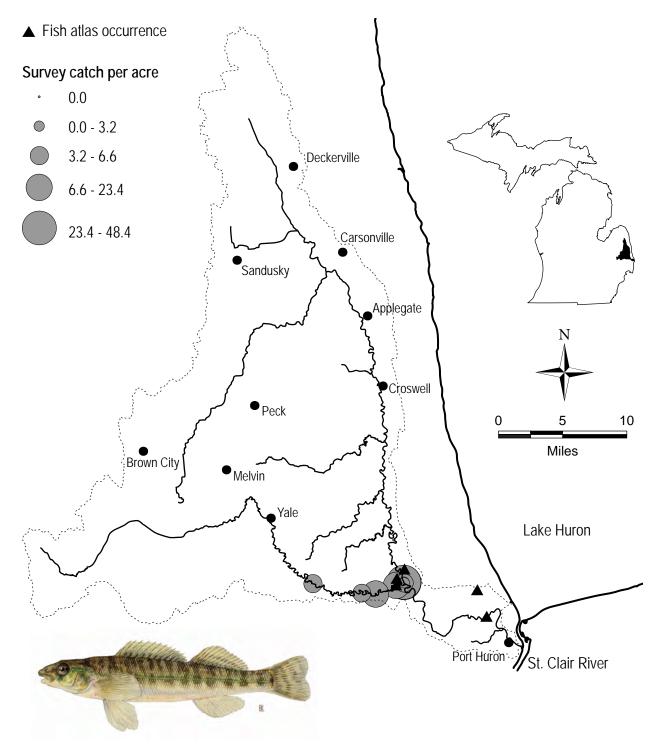
feeding - small to medium streams

- low to medium gradient

- gravel and sand substrate

- tolerate some turbidity

spawning - gravel and sand substrate



**Northern logperch** *Percina caprodes semifasciata* Habitat:

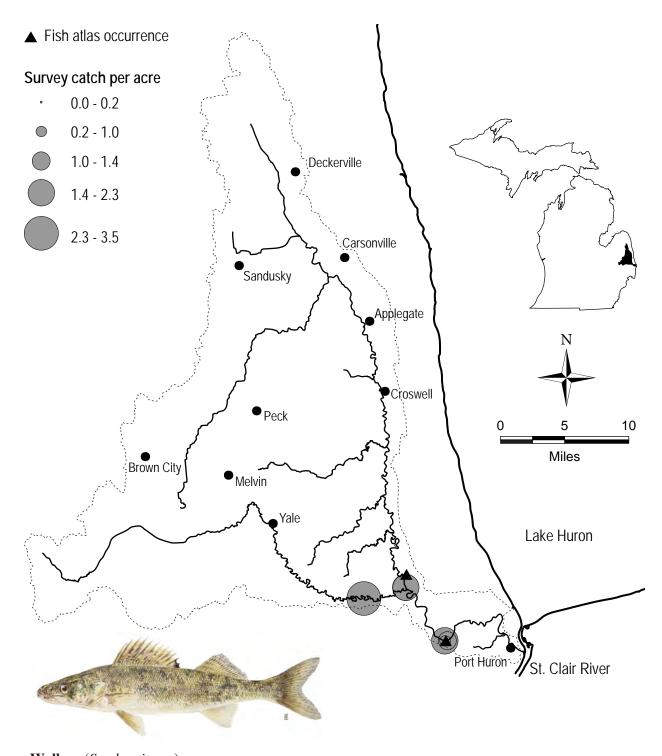
feeding - gravel riffles, deeper slower sections of rivers

- medium size streams; also lakes, impoundments

- sand, gravel, or rock substrate

- avoids turbidity and silt

spawning - riffles or sandy in-shore shallows



# Walleye (Sander vitreus)

#### Habitat:

feeding - larger, deeper streams and in large, shallow, turbid lakes and

impoundments; also Lake Michigan

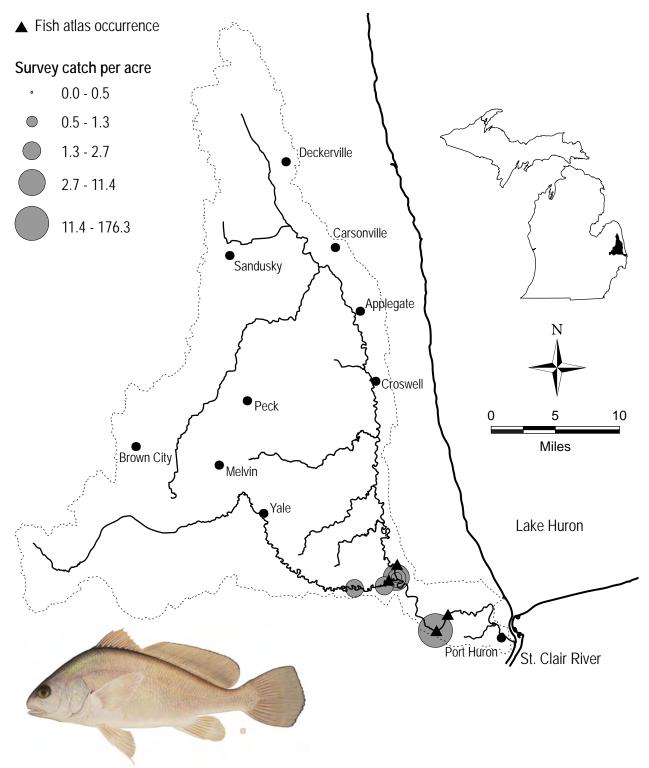
- gravel, bedrock, and firm substrates preferred

- does not tolerate a lot of turbidity or low oxygen

spawning - rocky substrates in high gradient water in rivers

- boulder to coarse gravel shoals in lakes

winter refuge - avoids strong currents



# Freshwater drum (Aplodinotus grunniens)

Habitat:

feeding - deeper pools of rivers and Lake Michigan

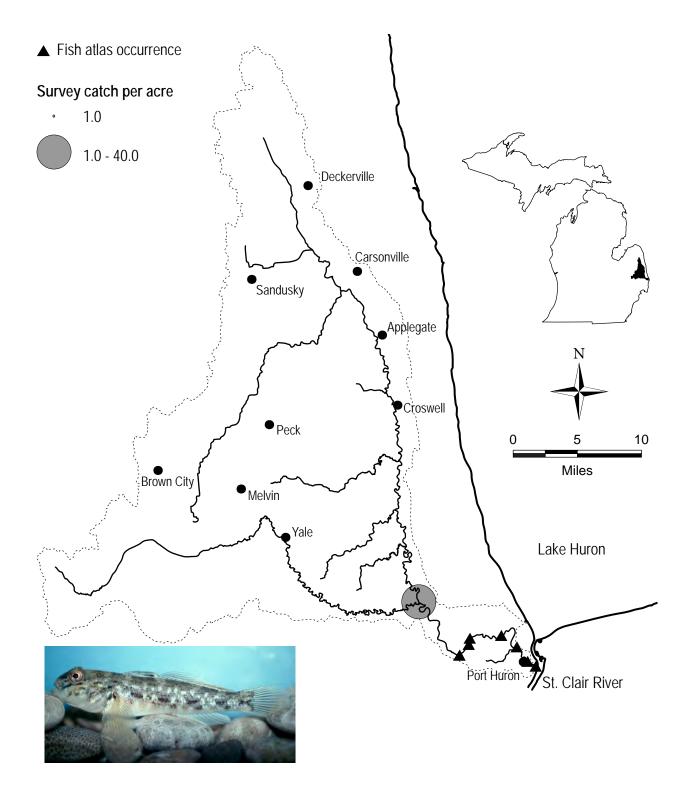
- in shallows

- prefers clear waters and clean substrates

- can adapt to high turbidity levels

spawning - pelagically, in open water, over sand or mud substrate

- occurs in bays or lower portions of marshes



 $\textbf{Round goby} \ (\textit{Neogobius melanostomus}) \ \textbf{-} \ \textbf{non-native species}$ 

Habitat:

feeding - rock,cobble,riprap,and vegetate areas of rivers and lakes

- young found over sand substrate

spawning - rocky substrate with large interstitial spaces

winter refuge - rocky substrate with large interstitial spaces

- deep water