CEDAR LAKE

T3R9 NWP and TAR8&9 WELS, Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Cedar Lake (7½')

FISHES

Landlocked salmon
Brook trout
Rainbow smelt
White perch
Yellow perch
Chain pickerel
Minnows
Lake chub

Golden shiner

Common shiner
Creek chub
Fallfish
White sucker
Banded killifish
Redbreast sunfish
Pumpkinseed sunfish
American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 685 acres

Temperatures
Surface - 68°F.

Maximum depth - 24 feet

24 feet - 68° F.

Principal fisheries: Landlocked salmon, brook trout, white perch.

Cedar mountain, elevation 900 feet, is the dominant feature of the area surrounding Cedar Lake. The shoreline of the lake is rocky and gravelly with two large sand beaches. Approximately one-half of the lake is developed with camps along the north and west shores.

Cedar Lake is a large, shallow, and relatively productive lake. Although there is abundant oxygen at all depths, high temperatures and competition from warmwater fish limits the production of salmon and brook trout. The lake lacks spawning tributaries for both salmon and brook trout. Some spawning of these species occurs in the outlet, however, it does not make a significant contribution to the lake fishery.

Brook trout were stocked for many years but the fishery produced was very erratic, so the trout stocking was discontinued and stocking of salmon was resumed. The abundant population of white perch has an adverse effect on both salmon and trout.

Access to the lake is by a camp road which is off state route #11, approximately 2 miles south of the Partridge Cove rest area adjacent to South Twin Lake. About 4 miles in on the camp road there are signs leading to a public boat launch which is maintained by the campowners association.

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