LITTLE ROUND POND

Lincoln Twp., Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Winn, Me.

FISHES

Brook trout White sucker Minnows Golden shiner Common shiner Dace (spp.)

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Area: 75 acres

Temperature: Surface - 77°F. 15 feet - 65°F.

Maximum depth: 15 feet

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

Little Round Pond is a clear water pond. The shore line is scattered with boulders. A mixed-forest growth surrounds the shoreline. There are no camps present to detract from the wilderness setting.

The water quality is suitable for brook trout, although existing temperatures are in the upper range of those preferred by trout. Brook trout have performed very well in the past. Originally, Little Round Pond had several warmwater species present in addition to brook trout.

There is limited spawning area available for brookies in the tributary. A limited amount of natural reproduction can be expected. The outlet has a wooden, rock-filled barrier dam, deterring passage upstream. In 1972, it was decided that reclamation would be feasible. After a public hearing, Little Round Pond was reclaimed in October, 1973, and a fall brook trout stocking program began in the spring of 1974. For the next several years, excellent brook trout fishing occurred. In the early 1980's, the barrier dam washed out allowing the re-establishment of the competitive fishes. Their numbers grew once again, causing heavy competition with the brook trout. In October 1999, cooperative effort was undertaken by the Lincoln Water District and Inland Fish and Wildlife to rebuild the barrier dam on the outlet. After the construction was completed, another attempt to reclaim the pond was undertaken in November, 1999; in the spring of 2000, stocking of brook trout resumed. The pond was resurveyed in June, of 2001. Five of eight species present prior to the reclamation were present in very limited numbers. At the present time, a excellent brook trout fishery is present at Little Round Pond. It is believed that the incomplete kill was due to the heavily vegetated shoreline, floating marsh area, and spring up-welling. The pond will be stocked annually. Special regulations apply.

Little Round Pond is located just northeast of Upper Cold Stream Ponds. Access can be gained from either the north or south off the camp road around Upper Cold Stream Pond or off the north side of the pond from the Clay Road in Lincoln. At this site, the road approaches to with in 50 yards. A canoe or small boat can easily be carried the remaining distance.

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