LUCIA POND T7R9 NWP, Piscataquis Co. U.S.G.S. Sebec Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout Minnows Finescale dace White sucker Sunfish

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 46 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 78° F
Maximum depth - 8 feet	8 feet - 62° F

Principal Fishery: None

Lucia Pond is more impressive for its scenic value than for its fishing quality. With Benson Mountain to its south and south-east, Barren Mountain to its northwest, and Fourth Mountain to its north, Lucia Pond is almost fully encircled. The area to the east of Lucia Pond is nearly flat for miles. The contrasts in vistas is quite unique. Rather than the typical northern Maine assemblage of bog-type plants, a wide grassy meadow with stands of small larch comprises much of Lucia Pond's wet shoreline. There are only two small areas of wooded high ground that approach the shore. A recently rebuilt gravel logging road provides access to Lucia Pond.

A beaver dam in the outlet culvert under the access roadhas added approximately 1 1/2 feet of water to the pond. There is no suitable spawning habitat in the outlet. No tributary streams were found during the survey. An area of spring influence is located at the southernmost end of the pond. There is no suitable spawning habitat apparent in the springy area.

The only summer refuge of cool water located during the survey was a few square yards with the spring area at the southern end of the pond. The water temperature in all other areas of Lucia Pond was well above what brook trout can tolerate. Without the beaver dam on the outlet, Lucia Pond would be shallow enough to possibly freeze to the bottom in the winter. Although a few wild trout may occasionally be caught there, Lucia Pond has no potential for brook trout management, either wild or hatchery.

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