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# PUG LAKE

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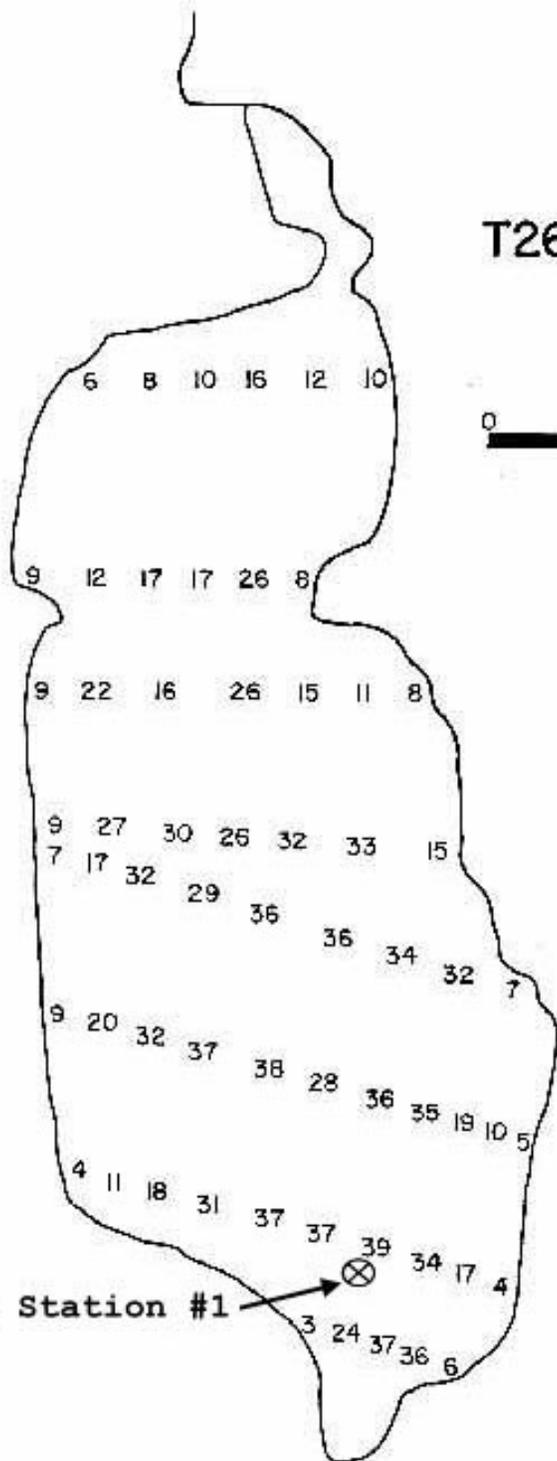
T26 ED WASHINGTON CO.,

MAINE

198 ACRES



TENTHS OF MILE



Sample Station #1



# SILVER PUG LAKE

T26ED, Washington County  
U.S.G.S. Clifford Lake, ME (7 1/2')

## Fishes

Rainbow smelt  
Smallmouth bass  
White perch  
Yellow perch  
Chain pickerel

Minnows  
White sucker  
Hornpout (bullhead)  
Pumpkinseed sunfish

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 198 acres

Maximum depth - 39 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 71°F

35 feet - 49°F

Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, white perch

Silver Pug Lake is a clear, moderate-size, fairly remote lake with a boulder strewn shoreline. Access is over good quality paper company gravel hauling roads from either Princeton or Wesley. Small boats can be launched with some difficulty at a steep public landing at the southeast corner of the lake.

This water is managed for trophy smallmouth bass through a mandatory catch and release regulation. It's a proven producer of 3-4 lb fish along with an occasional 5-pounder. Most of these trophy smallmouths are in superb condition as a result of preying heavily on the abundant juvenile yellow perch, white perch, and smelt, as well as frogs, dragonfly nymphs, etc. Because the water is clear, the coloration of most bass is on the light side.

Although smallmouth bass are clearly the primary sportfish, white perch also provide an attractive fishery. Knowledgeable anglers make fine catches of perch from late July through September with a good proportion of desirable size 10-12 in fish in a typical catch.

Even the hornpout attain better than average sizes of 12-14 inches. Anglers fishing in the evening with worms on bottom in about 15-20 feet of water usually have fast action for this good eating species. All in all, with its scenic character and fishery attributes, this lake provides anglers with a great way to spend an enjoyable day.

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