Sebec Lake

Willimantic, Bowerbank and Dover-Foxcroft
Piscataquis County
U.S.G.S. Sebec Lake and Sebec, Maine

Fishes

Salmon
Lake trout
Rainbow trout
Smallmouth bass
White perch
Yellow perch
Chain pickerel
American eel
Hornpout (bullhead)
Pumpkinseed sunfish

Minnows
- Creek chub
- Fallfish (chub)
- Golden shiner
- Dace

Burbot
White sucker
Banded killifish
Threespine stickleback

Physical Characteristics

Area - 6,803 acres

Maximum depth - 155 feet

Temperatures
- Surface - 75 F
- 150 feet - 42 F

Principal fishery: salmon, lake trout, bass

Surveyed - 1950
Revised - 1955, 1970, 1988
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Sebec Lake is a large coldwater lake located only a few minutes drive from downtwon Dover-Foxcroft. There are many private camps and homes around the lake. Currently, the west basin is all that remains undeveloped. Greeley's Landing, on Rte. 153, has a public boat launching facility and a parking area. Peaks-Kenny State Park, a marina, and a town beach are located near the landing.

The lake provides ideal water quality for salmonids. During the warmest periods of the year there is ample cold water and dissolved oxygen.

Wilson Stream and Ship Pond Stream have excellent spawning and nursery habitat for salmon; however, there are large falls on both streams. These falls may be impossible at low water levels.

Sebec Lake is one of the few lakes in Maine in which salmon were originally distributed. In the past, Sebec Lake was managed primarily for its fine native salmon population. However, since 1961, lake trout have been stocked to increase the fishing potential by utilizing the large volume of deep water and an abundant forage base.

While salmon and lake trout are the traditional gamefish sought by Sebec Lake anglers, smallmouth bass fishing has become very popular at the lake. In fact, much of the summer fishing use is directed primarily at smallmouth bass.

Sebec Lake should be managed for salmon, lake trout, and smallmouth bass. Periodic surveys of the sport fishery at Sebec Lake are recommended to evaluate the status of the gamefish population.

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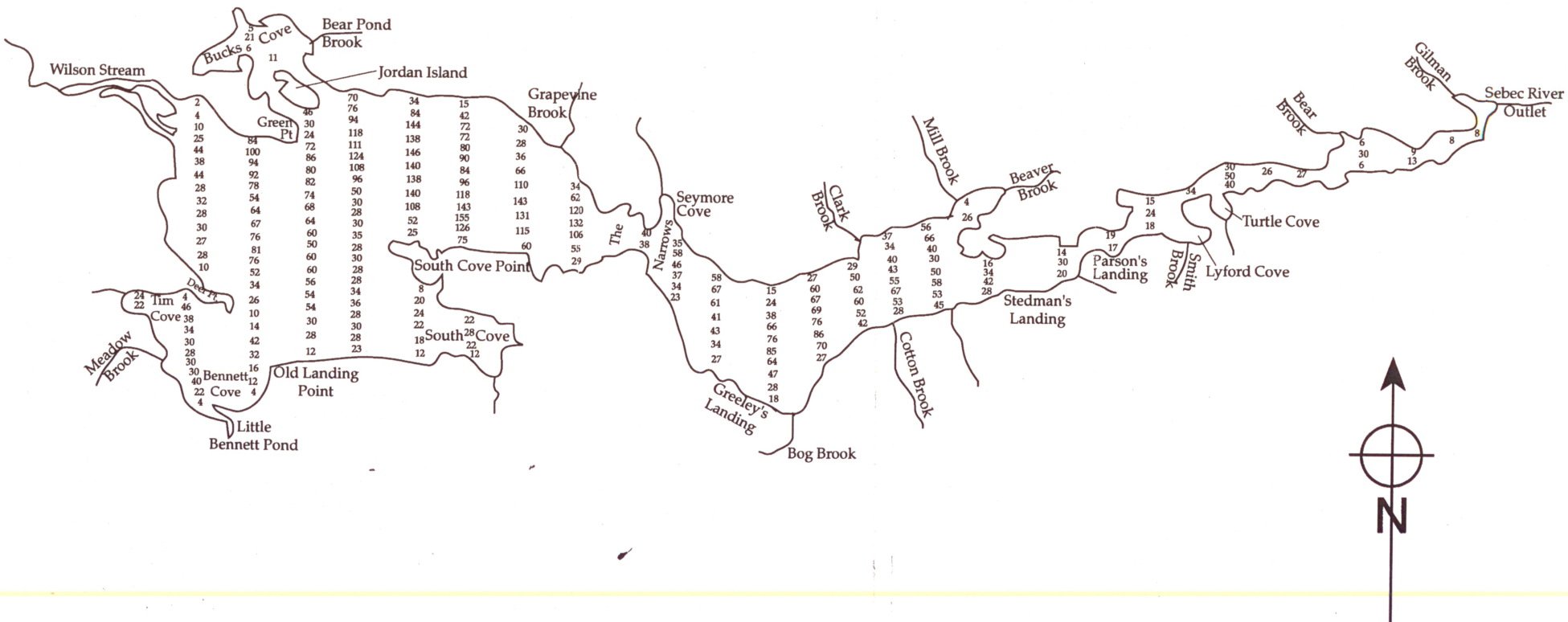
Elevation 327 feet

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