DAYMOND POND Moose River Twp., Somerset Co. U.S.G.S. Attean, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Maximum depth - 17 feet

Minnows Redbelly dace Finescale dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 11 acres

Temperatures Surface - 74° F. 14 feet - 50° F.

Daymond, a small shallow pond, can be reached by walking a little more than a mile over an old logging road. We surveyed Daymond because of reports that no fish had been caught there for several years. Our netting and seining revealed only two species of fish, and these are both small minnows.

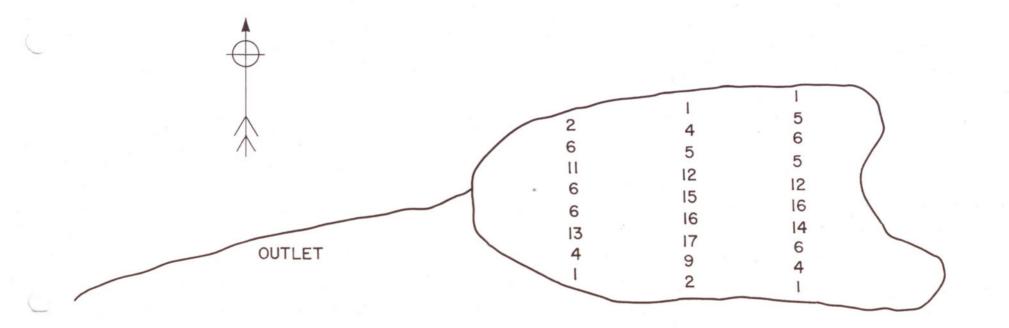
We found the pond to be suitable for trout. The bottom water is cool, and contains enough oxygen for trout to survive the hot weather period.

Since Daymond Pond has no inlets and the outlet is dry most of the year, the only place where trout could possibly spawn is in the pond. This type of spawning is satisfactory when springs are present to give a flow of water through the eggs; however, we were unable to find any springs around the shallow water. It is quite probable that the trout disappeared because of unsuccessful reproduction for a few years in succession.

Since the pond is suitable for trout, we had 1,600 fingerlings stocked in the fall of 1961 as a test. If they fare well, we will plan to stock a small number of trout there each year.

The regulation prohibiting the use or possession of live fish as bait should be adopted to prevent the introduction of species that would prey upon or compete with the trout.

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