LOST POND
T5 R16, Somerset Co.
U. S. G. S. St. John Pond, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)  Minnows
                       Lake chub
                       Pearl dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 45 acres  Temperatures
Maximum depth - 30 feet  Surface - 69° F.

Lost Pond is situated within 300 yards of a good gravel road,
and an approved Forest Service camp site is present on the
shore. A car cannot be driven to the pond however, and all
equipment must be carried in on a trail.

The upper 20-foot layer of water is excellent for brook trout
at all times. Below 20 feet, there is an oxygen deficiency
during the hottest part of the summer. It is unlikely that any
trout would be found in the deep water in late summer.

The only other fish in the pond are two kinds of minnows.
The minnows are used by the trout for food, as indicated by
the stomach contents of the trout taken during the survey.

The pond has no inlets and the two small outlets probably
dry up completely in some years. Any trout reproduction
must occur on springy areas within the pond.

The fishing will probably be good as long as the number
of fishermen using the pond is low. If the fishing pressure
increases much, supplemental stockings of hatchery trout will
probably have to be made.

A fly-fishing-only regulation is in effect, and it adequately
protects the trout population. The county limit is 10 trout.
A “no-live-fish-as-bait” regulation could be substituted if the
interested anglers desire.

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