

ROCKY LAKE and SUNKEN LAKE
Marion, Edmunds, and Whiting Twps.,
Washington Co.
U.S.G.S. Long Lake, ME (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brown trout	White sucker
Brook trout	Hornpout(bullhead)
Rainbow smelt	Banded killifish
Yellow perch	Threespine stickleback
Chain pickerel	Ninespine stickleback
Minnows	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Fallfish(chub)	American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area- 1126 acres Temperatures
 Surface-71°F
Maximum depth- 33 feet 29 feet-69°F

Principal Fishery : Brown trout, brook trout

Rocky Lake is a shallow, irregularly-shaped body of water located several miles north of Route 1 in Whiting. A public boat launch exists above the outlet, but it's a poor site because of the extensive shallows as one attempts to motor up the lake.

Brown trout were introduced in 1989, and have provided a satisfactory fishery. Fair numbers of 15-17 inch, age III fish are caught in most winters. The brown trout have successfully reproduced in at least 2 years in one of the small, cool tributaries.

Despite the marginal water quality and presence of a well-established population of yellow perch, wild brook trout continue to maintain a modest population. Rocky Lake Stream supports good numbers of juvenile brook trout; at least one other tributary also supports brook trout. A 10 inch minimum length on brook trout is in effect to maximize natural reproduction.

Some yellow perch attain desirable sizes of 9-11 inches especially in Sunken Lake. Some anglers fish specifically for these large perch with good success. Pickerel have recently become established, most likely via an illegal introduction by the public. Unfortunately, this warmwater predator will have a detrimental impact on the wild brook trout and brown trout through predation and competition for forage. It's yet another sad example of an ill-advised action by the public who too often take "matters into their own hands." Management of fisheries is best left to professional fishery biologists.

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