LONG POND

Sullivan Twp., Hancock Co. U.S.G.S. Sullivan, ME (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout
Rainbow smelt
Minnows
Golden shiner

White sucker
Banded killifish
Pumpkinseed sunfish
American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area- 58 acres

Temperature

Surface- 64°F

Maximum depth- 57 feet 57 feet- 42°F

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

This clear-water pond is reached via a dirt road off the "Punkinville Road". An unimproved area is present where a canoe/small boat can be launched.

The pond provides very good water quality for brook trout. Unfortunately, suitable spawning area is at a minimum. The few wild brook trout which are produced probably originate from springy areas within the pond. The trout population was monitored in the fall of 1991 by trap-netting; only four trout were captured. This survey corroborated reports from local anglers that indicated that the trout fishery had substantially declined in recent years. Because this pond produces some exceptional 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 pound trout, it was decided this population of wild trout required increased protection. Accordingly, the pond has been closed to ice fishing, and in the open water season, a 12-inch minimum length and a 1 fish bag limit are in effect. These restrictive regulations should stabilize the decline in the wild trout population. If not, at some point in the future, a stocking program will be considered.

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