## SAPONAC POND

Burlington and Grand Falls Twps., Penobscot Co. U. S. G. S. Saponac, Me.

## Fishes

Smallmouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel Hornpout (bullhead) Eel

Minnows
Blacknose dace
Common shiner
Fallfish (chub)
Banded killifish
Pumpkinseed sunfish

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 922 acres

White sucker

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 14 feet

Surface - 68° F. 10 feet - 68° F.

## Suggested Management

Saponac Pond should be managed for its large populations of warm-water fishes. It is essentially a large shallow flowage in the path of the Passadumkeag River, and it provides an attractive smallmouth bass and white perch fishery. Unfortunately a large portion of the pond has become a sterile settling basin for the gross sawdust pollution that has been scattered along the west shore, and no remedy is available to restore the pond to its original condition.

Migrating Passadumkeag River brook trout probably move through the pond, but no permanent trout fishery can exist because of the shallow warm water suited for the thriving populations of smallmouth bass, white perch, and pickerel.

