## LOWER SHIN POND T5 R7 and Mount Chase Twps., Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Shin Pond, Me.

## Fishes

Salmon	Minnows (cont'd)
Brook trout (squaretail)	Common shiner
Smelt	Golden shiner
Eel	Blacknose shiner
White sucker	Blacknose dace
Minnows	Redbelly dace
Creek chub	Banded killifish
Lake chub	Ninespine stickleback

## Physical Charateristics

Area - 560 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 65° F.
Maximum depth - 25 feet	22 feet - 63° F.

Principal Fishery: Salmon, brook trout, smelt

Lower Shin Pond should be managed for salmon and trout, even though water quality conditions are not ideal for cold-water fishes. The pond is quite shallow with nearly equal temperatures at all depths in late summer. Lower Shin Pond supports a good salmon population in spite of marginal conditions.

Populations of competing species are moderately abundant, and it is very important that no further introductions of undesirable species are made. Fishermen should be especially careful not to introduce coarse fishes by dumping unused bait fish into the pond.

Salmon utilize the outlet and thoroughfare from Upper Shin Pond as spawning areas. Natural reproduction is sufficient to maintain the fishery. A 50-foot natural falls is located about 3 miles downstream from the outlet of Lower Shin Pond, and the falls is impassable to upstream fish migration.

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