BIG FISHER POND T2 R12, Piscataquis Co. U. S. G. S. Ragged Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) White sucker Minnows Creek chub Minnows (cont'd) Finescale dace Redbelly dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 56 acres

Temperatures

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Surface - 70° F.

Maximum depth - 11 feet

10 feet - 70° F.

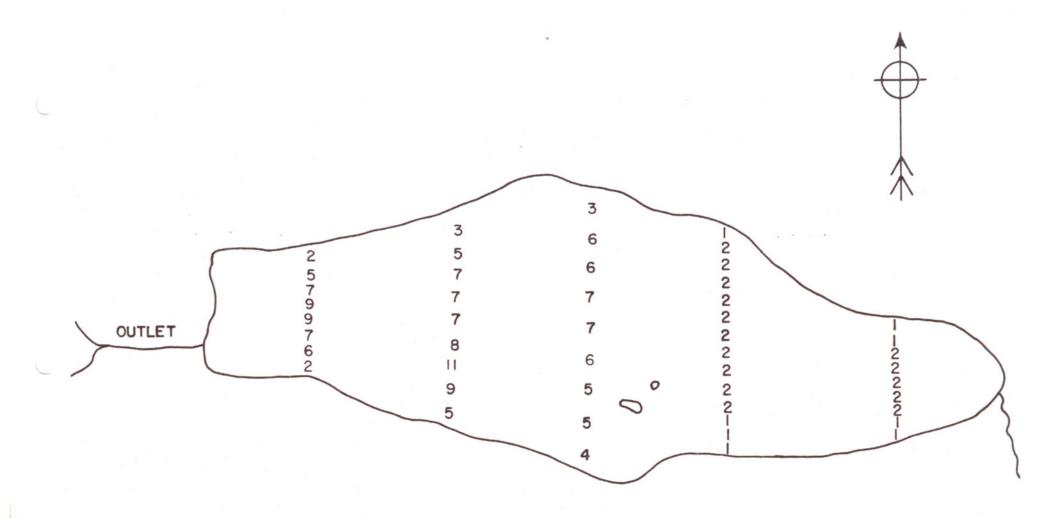
A 1 1/2-mile gravel road leads to the shore of Big Fisher Pond from the Great Northern Paper Company road between Grant Farm and Ripogenus Dam. The pond is shallow with abundant aquatic vegetation growing from the flocculent silt bottom. Portions of both the inlet and outlet become dry during the summer. There is little spawning gravel for trout in either of these streams or on the shore of Big Fisher Pond.

Fishermen may take an occasional trout from the pond during the cooler months, but, at best, this pond furnishes only marginal water quality for brook trout. During hot summer months the water becomes quite warm for brook trout, and no cool springholes are present in Big Fisher Pond to give trout relief during these periods. The water is very turbid, probably due to wind action and a huge population of suckers.

Maine's general fishing laws are adequate for Big Fisher

Pond's brook trout fishery.

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