## SECOND MACHIAS LAKE T37MD, Washington Co. U.S.G.S. Wabassus Lake, Me.

## Fishes

Smallmouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel Hornpout (bullhead) Alewife Eel White sucker Minnows Fallfish (chub) Banded killifish Pumpkinseed sunfish

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 192 acres

Temperatures Surface - 77°F

Maximum depth - 13 feet

10 feet - 70°F

Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, white perch

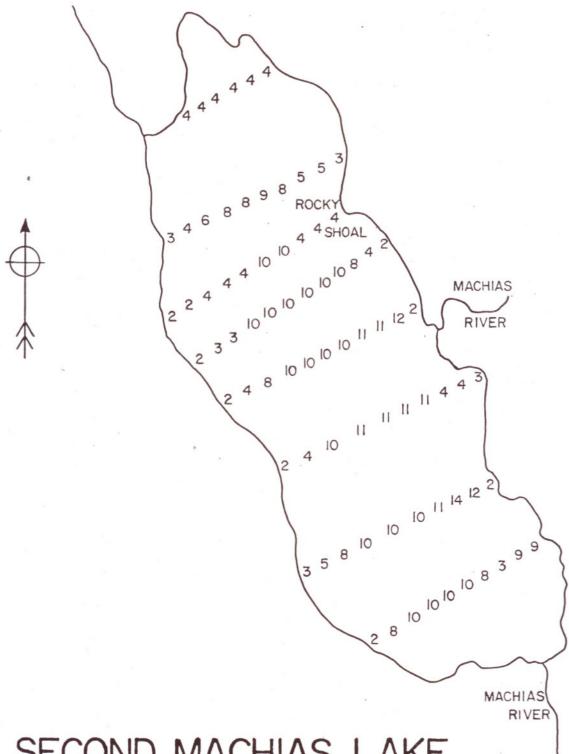
Second Machias Lake is one of a chain of five lakes which comprise the headwaters of the Machias River. To get there, take the so-called "Stud Mill Road" as far as the bridge across the Machias River, located just above First Machias Lake. You may take either the 51-00-0 road up the west side of the river or the 43-00-0 road up the east side of the river. The lake lies nearly 2 miles north of the Stud Mill Road. A long sand beach on the southern end is popular with campers.

You can drive right to the lake, but launching boats and canoes usually involves a carry of about 50 feet.

Second Machias Lake is a typical shallow, warmwater lake with established populations of smallmouth bass, white perch, and pickerel. Sections of the shoreline have numerous large boulders which extend into the lake, providing some excellent bass habitat. Sand and gravel shoreline is also common and provides spawning habitat for bass, which reach lengths of up to 17 inches. White perch and pickerel provide additional popular fisheries at Second Machias. Finally, the occasional brook trout is caught here, having migrated into the lake from the Machias River.

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