

LUCKY POND
T1 R14, Piscataquis Co.
U. S. G. S. Moosehead Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)
Yellow perch
White sucker

Minnows
Creek chub
Golden shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area - 93 acres

Maximum depth - 6 feet

Temperatures

Surface - 69° F.

4 feet - 64° F.

Lucky Pond is a very shallow, silty pond almost surrounded by a low-lying bog. It can be reached by boating across Spencer Bay and walking up a short trail along the outlet of the pond. Although water quality was suitable at the time of the survey, water temperatures may become critically warm for trout during hot weather. Springy areas in the pond and inlet serve as cool refuge areas for the trout during prolonged hot spells.

The trout population is maintained largely by natural reproduction in the spring areas, and possibly on some small gravel areas in the inlet. The outlet has some spawning gravel near Moosehead Lake, and some fish undoubtedly use it. An old logging dam at the outlet serves as a partial barrier to fish migration.

Large populations of suckers and yellow perch create a serious problem of competition for the brook trout. Chemical reclamation to remove competing fish would be impractical because the long boggy shoreline and the miles of meandering deadwater would make a complete kill improbable.

The general law is sufficient to protect the fishery at this time.

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