PETES POND T13R10, Aroostook County U.S.G.S. Allagash Falls, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Minnows Pearl dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 20 Acres

Temperatures Surface - 65° F. 5 feet - 65° F.

Maximum depth - 5 feet

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

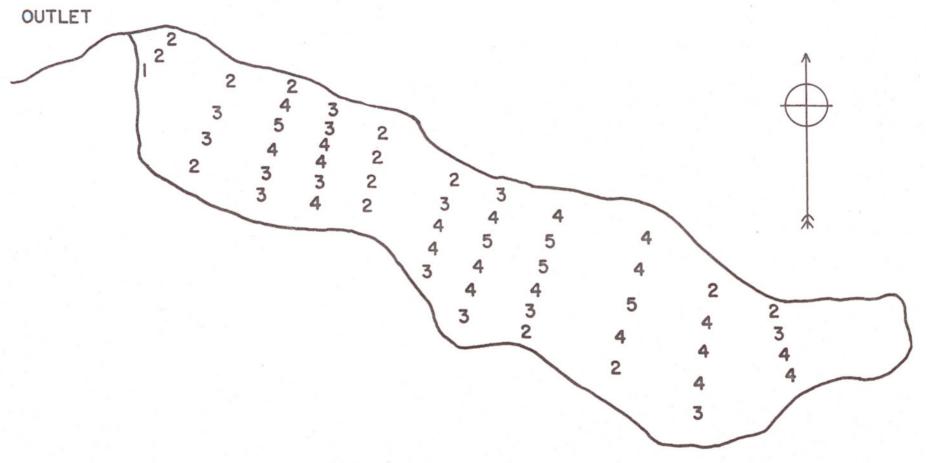
Petes Pond is surrounded by fir-spruce forest except for one camp near the outlet. Though the pond is soft-bottomed and shallow, brook trout are able to survive periods of warm water temperatures by seeking out cool, springy areas. Present water levels are maintained by a series of beaver dams at the outlet, which probably reduce access of brook trout to spawning areas in this brook. However, trout are apparently able to reproduce in small gravelly areas upstream from these dams. No tributaries were suitable as trout spawning or nursery areas.

Brook trout collected during the initial survey were stunted, a condition resulting from competition from the large number of minnows present. For this reason, and because of the limited amount of cold, well-oxygenated water available, stocking is not recommended.

Petes Pond is presently accessible by a one mile walk through the woods.

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