## COLD STREAM POND

Enfield, Lincoln, and Lowell Twps. Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Lincoln West, ME  $(7\frac{1}{2}')$ Passadumkeag, ME  $(7\frac{1}{2}')$ 

## FISHES

Landlocked salmon Brook trout Lake trout Rainbow smelt White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel Minnows Golden shiner Common shiner Redbelly dace Creek chub Fallfish White sucker Hornpout (bullhead) Banded killifish Ninespine stickleback Redbreast sunfish Pumpkinseed sunfish Slimy sculpin American eel

Physical Characteristics Total area - 3628 acres

## North Basin

Area - 704 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 66°F.
Maximum depth - 56 feet	30 feet - 53° F.

## South Basin

Area - 2924 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 67° F.
Maximum depth - 104 feet	55 feet - 49° F.

Principal fisheries: Landlocked salmon, lake trout.

Cold Stream Pond consists of two distinct basins separated by a ridge of land called "the bluff" and connected by a narrows. These two basins, although somewhat different habitat types, are managed as a unit. Year-round and seasonal dwellings line the south and west shores and the east shore is currently being developed. Large boulders, gravel and some large sand beaches dominate the shoreline, with a mud bottom in deeper areas. Softwood growth dominates the area around the lake. Both basins stratify thermally and abundant oxygen exists at all depths in the south basin, but the north basin often becomes oxygen deficient in the late summer. Cobb State Fish Hatchery located beside the outlet of the lake uses water from Cold Stream Pond to rear salmon and trout.

Lake trout are native to Cold Stream Pond and at one time eggs were taken from these fish to be raised in the hatchery, but this practice has been discontinued. Lake trout are not currently stocked and natural reproduction on the spawning bed in Webb Cove sustains the lake trout fishery. Landlocked salmon were first introduced into Cold Stream in 1876. Because of very limited salmon spawning area in the outlet, salmon are stocked on an annual basis to maintain the fishery. Salmon growth is very good, although somewhat variable, depending on smelt abundance.

Brook trout are being stocked on an experimental basis to determine if they can provide another fishery for the anglers.

Access to the lake is by a town-maintained public boat launch facility on the Old Hatchery Road off Rt.#188 in Enfield.

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