LITTLE BLUFFER POND T8R11, Piscataquis Co. U.S.G.S. Spider Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) Minnows Creek chub Redbelly dace Minnows (cont.) Pearl dace Finescale dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 12 acres

Temperatures Surface -72° F. $6 \text{ feet } -70^{\circ}$ F.

Maximum depth - 8 feet

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Little Bluffer Pond is located in hilly terrain and is surrounded by softwood forest. Although the banks of the pond are steep, the pond itself is quite shallow, and the bottom is silt-covered. There is a patch of floating bog on the southwest shore. Summer water temperatures are quite warm and exceed that preferred by brook trout. Large numbers of minnows are observed along the shore. They probably compete with brook trout for food and space. For these reasons, Little Bluffer Pond supports a limited brook trout fishery.

The inlet and outlet provide adequate spawning and nursery area for brook trout. In addition, the inlet provides a limited source of cool water throughout periods of warm weather.

Little Bluffer Pond is remote, and is accessible only by foot.

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