## LAZY TOM POND T1 R13, Piscataquis Co. U.S.G.S. First Roach Pond, Me.

Fishes

Minnows Finescale dace

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 17 acres

Temperatures

Surface  $-75^{\circ}$  F.

Maximum depth - 16 feet

14 feet  $-60^{\circ}$  F.

Lazy Tom Pond is a small, shallow pond surrounded by a narrow margin of floating bog backed by spruce-fir forest. The low oxygen and warm temperatures make the pond marginal for brook trout.

There are no tributaries, and the outlet had a very low flow. This would be of little consequence for spawning and nursery facilities for brook trout.

At the time of the survey there were only minnows present. Having had good success with brook trout in similar marginal habitats, we are planning an experimental stocking of trout in 1968. If the stocking is successful, we will maintain the population with future stockings.

The pond can be reached via a ¼-mile trail from a gravel logging road.

The present general law regulations are sufficient to protect the fishery at this time.

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