

LITTLE GRAPEVINE POND

Bowerbank Twp., Piscataquis Co. Sebec Lake West, Me (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout Minnows Golden shiner Blacknose dace Creek chub White sucker

Physical Characteristics

Area - 10 acres Temperatures:

Surface - 70°F 10 feet - 64°F

Maximum depth - 11 feet

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Little Grapevine Pond is a small trout pond that lies to the north of Sebec Lake. The north shoreline of the pond is quite steep and forested with softwood. The south shore is mostly ledge. The outlet has some areas of gravel and riffle as well as some flowed, meandering sections. There are two inlets to Little Grapevine Pond. The inlet from Big Grapevine Pond on the northeast shore contains suitable spawning habitat for brook trout. There is also a spring tributary on the west end that contains patches of gravel. At the time of the survey, waters levels were very low and several small brook trout were observed in the small, isolated pools in the cool spring tributary. Minnows were also very abundant in the pools.

A 2 mile walk from the end of the Bowerbank Road is necessary to access Little Grapevine Pond.

There is adequate spawning habitat and water quality to maintain a wild trout fishery, however, the abundance of suckers and several minnow species are limiting. Reclamation would not be feasible because of the long boggy outlet. Stocking is not necessary at this time due to the remoteness and lack of use. The small numbers of brook trout present are probably sufficient to provide a fishery for the few anglers willing to hike to this remote pond.

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