SILVER LAKE T6 R9, Piscataquis Co. U.S.G.S. Sebec, Me.

Fishes

Salmon Hornpout (bullhead)
Brook trout (squaretail) Eel
Smallmouth bass White sucker
White perch Minnows
Yellow perch Fallfish (chub)
Chain pickerel Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area -305 acres

Temperatures

Surface -66° F.

Maximum depth -28 feet

17 feet -59° F.

Silver Lake is a shallow lake located just north of Katahdin Iron Works. Much of the eastern shore is surrounded by maple ridges. The western and northern shores are predominately alder, grading into maple and elm along the water courses. The water quality is good for coldwater fishes with sufficient cold water and oxygen at most depths.

Spruce Mountain, White, and Saddlerock Brooks have some fair spawning area and excellent nursery area for brook trout. There are beaver dams present on all the brooks, but fishermen report some excellent catches of brook trout on all three of these tributaries.

The West Branch Pleasant River, the major tributary and outlet, has excellent spawning and nursery area for both trout and salmon. The remains of an old dam were washed out in the fall of 1966.

Silver Lake is easily accessible via a gravel road from Brownville. Fishing pressure is light.

The pond will be managed for its existing fisheries. The present general law regulations are sufficient to protect the fishery at this time.

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