

SPRUCE MOUNTAIN POND
T-B R11, Piscataquis Co.
U. S. G. S. Jo-Mary Mountain, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Minnows
Blacknose dace
Golden shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area - 20 acres

Temperatures
Surface - 66° F.
7 feet - 66° F.

Maximum depth - 7 feet

Spruce Mountain Pond is actually two separate ponds connected by a narrow channel which is plugged by a beaver dam. A few brook trout are caught annually by a small number of fishermen. Both ponds are very shallow and very much alike. Water temperatures are the same at all levels in both ponds. During the winter, brook trout are confined to a very small volume of water, and, possibly, "winter-kills" occur during some years. It is the very shallowness of the ponds that limits trout production.

The outlet brook probably contributes most of the reproduction to the pond. It should be adequate for this small pond at the present level of light fishing pressure.

It is fortunate that only small numbers of two species of minnows are present. It is recommended that the regulation prohibiting the use or possession of live fish as bait be adopted to prevent the introduction of additional fishes.

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AREA 20 ACRES



ONE TENTH MILE

