DEAD RIVER FLOWAGE (FLAGSTAFF LAKE)

EUSTIS TWP, FRANKLIN CO, CARRYING PLACE AND T3 R4 TWPS,

BIGELOW, DEAD RIVER AND FLAGSTAFF PLTS, SOMERSET CO, MAINE

AREA 20,300 ACRES

MILES

SOUTH BRANCH DEAD RIVER

NORTH BRANCH DEAD RIVER

EUSTIS DAM

STUMPS

OUTLET DEAD RIVER

LONG FALLS DAM

FLAGSTAFF LAKE

Bigelow, Carrying Place Town, Dead River, and
Flagstaff Twps., Eustis, and T3 R4 BKP WKR
Somerset County
U.S.G.S. Little Bigelow, Maine (7½'),
U.S.G.S. Stratton, Maine 7½'), and
U.S.G.S. The Horns, Maine 7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Redbelly dace
Brook trout	Finescale dace
Rainbow smelt	Blacknose dace
Yellow perch	Creek chub
Chain pickerel	Fallfish (chub)
Minnows	White sucker
Lake chub	Hornpout (bullhead)
Common shiner	Slimy sculpin

Physical Characteristics

Area - 20,300 acres

Maximum depth - 50 feet

Principal fishery: Chain pickerel

Temperatures:
  Surface - 68°F
18 feet   - 67°F

Flagstaff Lake is a large, shallow impoundment formed by the damming of the Dead River in 1950. It is located north of the Bigelow Mountain range. The two major inlets, the North and South Branches of the Dead River enter the west side of the lake. The Dead River exits the lake flowing north at Long Falls in the northeast corner of the impoundment. The lake's shoreline is largely undeveloped.

Water quality in Flagstaff Lake is marginal for coldwater gamefish. Water temperatures reach critically high levels at all depths in this relatively shallow lake. Good spawning and nursery habitat for salmonids exists in almost all of the lake's many tributaries. Despite the poor adult habitat, limited fisheries for brook trout and salmon are present, but fish growth is slow with heavy competition for food and space from warmwater fish species. The lake is occasionally stocked with salmon.

Flagstaff Lake is accessible via a number of boat launch sites on both the east and west ends. The lake is open to fishing in both the summer and winter seasons under general law.