INDIAN LAKE Whiting Twp., Washington Co. U.S.G.S. Long Lake, ME (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brown trout Brook trout Yellow perch Minnows Golden shiner Creek chub White sucker Banded killifish American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area- 120 acres Temperatures Surface- 72°F Maximum depth- 20 feet 19 feet- 70°F

Principal Fishery: Brook trout, brown trout

Indian Lake is a popular water located adjacent to Route 1 in Whiting. The shoreline is moderately-heavily developed with camps and year-round residences. An adequate boat launching site is available on the Route 1 end of the lake.

This water was reclaimed in 1971 and provided an excellent trout fishery for many years. Subsequently, a number of competing species have re-established abundant populations which has adversely impacted trout growth and survival. The quality of the brook trout fishery has declined in recent years. Despite this, many anglers fish the pond from shore for the first 3 weeks after ice-out. They make fair catches of 7 to 9-inch trout from the previous fall's stocking. In some years, modest numbers of age II holdover fish from 13 to 15-inches are creeled.

Brown trout were stocked experimentally in 1994 to determine if they would provide better returns to anglers. Biologists believe this species is likely to perform better in view of their demonstrated ability to better tolerate warmer water and competition than brook trout.

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