

WESTERN LAKE Robbinston Twp., Washington Co. U.S.G.S. Red Beach, ME (7 ½)

Fishes

Brook trout Minnows Lake chub Redbelly dace Finescale dace White sucker American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 65 acres

Temperatures: Surface - 76°F 12 feet - 74°F

Maximum depth - 14 feet

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Western Lake is a shallow lake that is part of a small coastal drainage in Robbinston. It's the pond adjacent to the Sherman Road on the left as you travel in to Goulding Lake. A small boat/canoe launching site is available.

Because this water is relatively homothermous, it provides very marginal brook trout habitat. Anglers catch small numbers of wild trout in the winter and spring before the pond becomes too warm. The inlet supports some juvenile wild trout, and the outlet supports good numbers of juvenile trout, especially in the reach several miles down from the pond. In the early spring, certain anglers catch some legal-size trout in this stream. Not far away is Eastern Lake, which is the better trout pond because of its superior water quality. The area where the outlets of Eastern and Western join supports a surprisingly high number of small trout, some of which reach legal size. This locale is a popular fishing spot with local children.

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