LOCATION: Sec.36, T.2 N., R.1 W., secs.31 and 32, T.2 N., R.1 E., and secs. 5 and 6, T.1 N., R.1 E., about 3.5 mi (5.5 km) west of Vancouver and 6.5 mi (10 km) north of Portland city center. Surface-water outlet at lat 45°36'53", long 122°44'05". Portland 7½-minute quadrangle map.

DRAINAGE BASIN: Lower Columbia River.

DRAINAGE AREA: Indeterminate.

SURFACE AREA: 600 acres (2.4 km2).

SURFACE ELEVATION: Less than 10 ft (3 m) above mean sea level, from topographic map. Water level is dependent on Columbia River stage.

VOLUME: 600 acre-ft (740,000 m3).

INFLOW: None observed, and no channels indicated on topographic map.

OUTFLOW: Connected to Bybee Lake (p. 38) by a channel on northwest side of lake.

USE: No public recreation without permission.

REMARKS: An algal bloom and a large crop of emergent aquatic growth were evident.

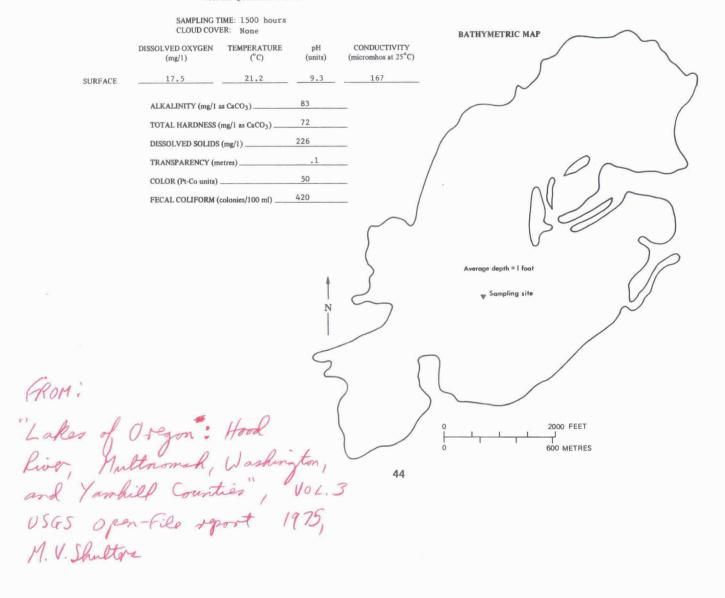
Like nearby Bybee Lake, this large, shallow lake often floods surrounding areas during periods of high water, yet it can also go dry during summer when the Columbia River is low.

According to the Oregon Wildlife Commission, a large number of ducks died during the summer of 1974 from botulism, which often affects shallow, organically rich lakes that become oxygen deficient. The large amount of organic material is evident from the high nonionized dissolved-solids value.



Photograph taken April 21, 1975.

WATER-QUALITY DATA



LOCATION: Secs.25 and 36, T.2 N., R.1 W., and secs.30 and 31, T.2 N., R.1 E., about 4 mi (6.5 km) west of Vancouver and 7 mi (11 km) north of Portland city center. Surface-water outlet at lat 45°36'57", long 122°44'31". Portland, Linnton, Sauvie Island, and Vancouver 7½-minute quadrangle maps.

DRAINAGE BASIN: Lower Columbia River.

DRAINAGE AREA: Indeterminate.

SURFACE AREA: 250 acres (1.0 km2).

SURFACE ELEVATION: Less than 10 ft (3 m) above mean sea level, from topographic map. Water level is dependent on Columbia

VOLUME: 250 acre-ft (300,000 m³).

INFLOW: No channels observed, and none indicated on topographic
map. During high-water periods, the lake is connected to Smith Lake (p. 44) on the southeast side of lake.

OUTFLOW: No measurable flow through channel on south side of lake. The channel drains to Columbia Slough and the Willamette River.

USE: No public recreation without permission. Most of the sur-rounding land is privately owned.

REMARKS: This large, shallow lake often floods surrounding areas during periods of high water, yet it can also dry up during extremely dry periods when the Columbia River is low.



Photograph taken April 21, 1975.

WATER-QUALITY DATA

SAMPLING TIME: 1330 hours

CLOUD COVER: None

(mg/1)

3.0

SURFACE

DISSOLVED OXYGEN TEMPERATURE pH CONDUCTIVITY (units) (micromhos at 25°C) 7.5 Sampling site ALKALINITY (mg/1 as CaCO₃) _ 100 TOTAL HARDNESS (mg/1 as CaCO₃) _ 188 DISSOLVED SOLIDS (mg/1) __ TRANSPARENCY (metres) _ 20 COLOR (Pt-Co units) ___ FECAL COLIFORM (colonies/100 ml) __ Average depth = I foot 2000 FEET 600 METRES