This map illustrates the effect of impoundments on surface water elevation. The translucent coloring of each lake represents the surface water elevation (purple representing 277m, dark blue representing 263m, etc.). The surface water elevation of each lake is different (the highest being Salmon Pond and the lowest being Messalonskee Lake) because of 5 dams that regulate water flow among the lakes. Lake depth is depicted using bathymetry data (dark colors represent deep water). The elevation of the land surrounding the Belgrade Lakes is depicted by a hillshade layer in order to portray topography.