

WHIDDEN PONDS
T3 R9 WELS, Piscataquis County
U.S.G.S. Katahdin, Maine

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Physical Characteristics

Pond #1

Area — 10 acres

Maximum depth — 4 feet

Temperatures

Surface — 64°F

Springholes — 52°F

Pond #2

Area — 7 acres

Maximum depth — 2 feet

Temperatures

Surface — 64°F

Springholes — 52°F

Pond #3

Area — 2 acres

Maximum depth — 3 feet

Temperatures

Surface — 64°F

Springholes — 52°F

Principal Fishery: Brook trout

Whidden Ponds, located in Baxter State Park, show the effects of past beaver activity. The three ponds each have inactive beaver dams on their outlets. When these dams were active they each held from one to two feet more water in the ponds. As a result of the lowered water levels the shorelines of the three ponds consists primarily of grass covered mud. The southeast shore of pond #1 is the only rocky shoreline with rocks extending into the pond.

Although water temperatures in the largest portion of each pond were fairly high each pond contains cold water springs. All three ponds support populations of brook trout.

The ponds come under the special Baxter State Park regulations which currently are 5 fish limit and no live fish as bait.

The ponds lie alongside the South Branch trail about 1¼ miles north of Roaring Brook campground. From the two larger ponds beautiful views of the Great Basin and North Basin areas of Mt. Katahdin can be seen.

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