

LONG POND  
T6 R9, Piscataquis Co.  
U. S. G. S. Traveler Mtn., Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)  
Smelt

Minnows  
Blacknose dace  
Redbelly dace  
Finescale dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 70 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 33 feet

Surface - 71° F.  
31 feet - 56° F.

Long Pond is a picturesque, clear-water pond situated high in the mountains of Baxter State Park. This pond has good water quality for brook trout and should be managed for this fish.

Brook trout are reported to reach sizes of over one pound in Long Pond. Although brook trout normally do very well on a diet of insects alone, the presence of smelts may be beneficial as a forage fish for larger trout. Smelts were introduced into Long Pond several years ago and are apparently well established.

Fishermen should be reminded that introductions of new species, except where authorized and carried out by the State, is unlawful. Unauthorized introductions of fish that compete with trout for food and space may seriously reduce a good trout fishery. At the present time, Long Pond is relatively free of competing species with the exception of some small minnows. For this reason it is recommended that a regulation prohibiting the use of fish as bait be established on this pond.

The small outlet is presently blocked with beaver dams, and it has limited potential for trout spawning and nursery areas. Successful trout and smelt reproduction takes place within the pond. Long Pond is accessible by a 2½-mile trail from Baxter State Park road.

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