SAND POND

Litchfield & Monmouth Twp., Kennebec Cty U.S.G.S. Purgatory, Maine

Fishes

Brown trout Minnows Golden shiner Brook trout Rainbow smelt White sucker Hornpout (bullhead) Smallmouth bass Largemouth bass Redbreast sunfish White perch Pumpkinseed sunfish Yellow perch Slimv sculpin Chain pickerel American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 177 acres Temperatures
Surface - 75° F
Maximum depth - 82 feet 70 feet - 44° F

Principal Fishery: Brown trout, brook trout, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, white perch, smelt

Sand Pond, one of the Tacoma chain of lakes, is located in southwestern Kennebec County within a half hour drive of Lewiston and Augusta. This water has causeways at its north and south ends that allow year round foot access. Boats can be launched at the state- owned boat ramps located on Buker and Woodbury Ponds, two lakes adjacent to Sand Pond. Winter anglers gain access on designated snowmobile trails or from state roads.

Fall yearling brown trout have been stocked in Sand Pond for many years.

Annual stockings of spring yearling brook trout began in 1980. Good catches of browns and brookies are common, as the fishery is supported by an abundant smelt population. The smelt population has not gone unnoticed by anglers and bait dealers and has sustained a popular fishery since the late 1970's.

Warmwater fish species such as the basses, perches, and pickerel are maintained by natural reproduction. The black bass population provides fish of sufficient size and numbers to lure tournaments in the summertime. Credible catches of the other warmwater species are common.

Anglers can assist the Department in evaluating Sand Pond's fishery management program by recording the results of their fishing efforts in a personal fishing record booklet. The free diary can be obtained from the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife at Augusta , Maine.

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