

CHARLES POND

Fryeburg, Twp., Oxford Co.
U.S.G.S. Center Lovell, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brook trout	Chain pickerel
Brown trout	Minnows
Largemouth bass	Fallfish
Smallmouth bass	Hornpout (bullhead)
White perch	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Yellow perch	American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 90 acres	Temperatures:
	Surface - 75°F
Maximum depth - 14 feet	12 feet - 63°F

Principal fisheries: Largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, white perch, and chain pickerel

Charles Pond is a relatively shallow pond, which appears to be an off-shoot of the Cold River system. The pond has two large inlets, the Cold River and Kimball Brook, but much of the water from the Cold River probably passes directly through the lower end of the pond to the outlet. The shoreline is ringed with aquatic weeds, and the pond has excellent habitat for the existing warmwater fish species. Largemouth bass, white perch, and chain pickerel all provide good fishing opportunities.

Summer water temperatures are partially moderated by the large influx of cooler stream water, and there is some limited trout habitat available. Brook trout and brown trout occasionally drop out of the inlets and utilize the pond habitat, particularly during cooler periods of the year. However, heavy

competition/predation pressures from the other fish species limits the potential for coldwater fishery management.

There is no public boat access, and existing access is via permissive trespass. MDIFW considers public access a high priority and will continue to look for opportunities to create or improve access to Charles Pond:

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