

TROUT POND

Mason Twp., Oxford Co.

U.S.G.S. East Stoneham & Speckled Mtn., Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brook trout	Minnows
Rainbow trout	Golden Shiner
Smelt	White Sucker

Physical Characteristics

Area - 17 acres	Temperatures:
	Surface - 74°F
Maximum depth - 23 feet	23 feet - 52°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Trout pond is a remote, scenic pond located west of Route 2 near the White Mountain National Forest. This pond offers a wilderness trout pond experience in a region where this opportunity is limited.

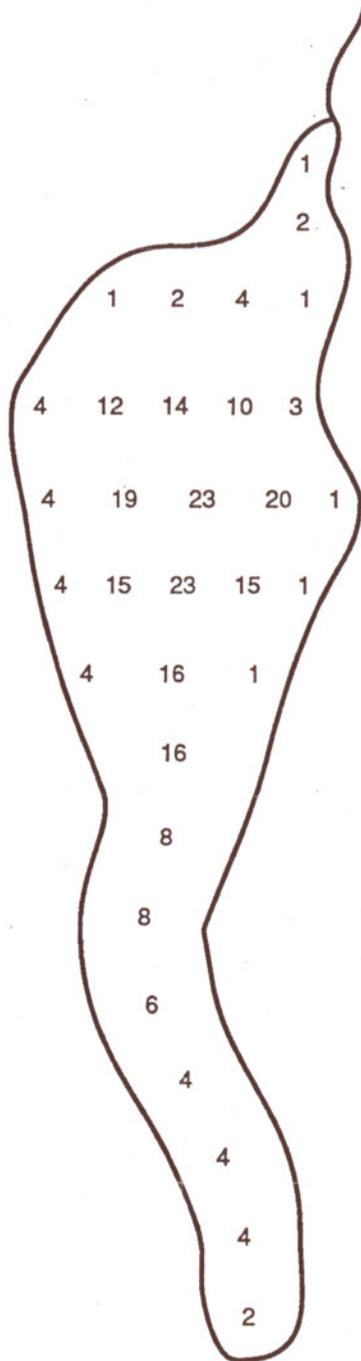
In years past, this pond had a self-sustaining, wild brook trout population, but spawning was limited to the shoreline due to a lack of tributaries. The Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife (MDIFW) began supplemental stocking with fall fingerling brook trout in the late 1980's to enhance the fishery. The brook trout provide some good angling, but their performance is now limited by heavy competition from white suckers and golden shiners. The characteristics of this pond makes it an ideal candidate for reclamation. Historically, a small smelt population existed and provided forage for the trout; however, we did not observe any evidence of a smelt during our last survey.

Rainbow trout were illegally introduced to the pond in the mid 1990's. The rainbow trout observed were in excellent condition, and the MDIFW stocked some surplus rainbow trout in the late 1990's to evaluate their potential. They are not expected to have a long term presence in the pond unless a stocking program is established.

Walk-in access is available via the road which parallels the West Branch of the Pleasant River. Access from the private property off the Flat Road is no longer permitted.

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MASON TWP. YORK CO. MAINE

ELEV 868 FT AREA 17 ACRES



ONE TENTH MILE