TROUT POND

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

Fishes

Brook trout Splake Rainbow smelt Minnows Golden Shiner Blacknose Dace Hornpout (bullhead)

Physical Characteristics

Area - 64 acres

Temperatures: Surface - 76°F

 $60 \text{ feet} - 37^{\circ}\text{F}$

Maximum depth - 68 feet

Principal fisheries: Brook trout, splake

Trout Pond is a small, scenic trout pond located a short distance outside of the White Mountain National Forest. The only development on the lake is a camp complex called Camp Susan Curtis, which caters to underprivileged children. This pond is managed for coldwater gamefish.

Trout Pond thermally stratifies in the summer, and a large band of cold, oxygenated water is available for salmonid management. In 1955, this water was chemically reclaimed to remove competing species and allow for intensive management of brook trout. This water produced brook trout up to four pounds in the past, but unfortunately several competing species have become reestablished through illegal introductions. A relatively good fishery for brook trout still exists, but these fish species have limited brook trout performance. A limited amount of brook trout natural reproduction exists; however, annual stocking is required to maintain a fishery. Splake, a hybrid between a male brook trout and a female lake trout, were introduced by the Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife starting in 1995. Splake should more effectively utilize some of the illegally introduced forage fish, and some quality sized splake are expected.

Walk-in access is allowed via the Cushman Pond Road.

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