

TRIPP POND Poland Twp., Androscoggin Co. U.S.G.S. Poland, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Rainbow smelt Smallmouth bass Largemouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel Minnows Golden shiners Common shiner White sucker Hornpout (bullhead) Redbreast sunfish Pumpkinseed sunfish American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 768 acres

Maximum depth - 36 feet

Temperatures: Surface - 82°F 35 feet - 57°F

Principal fisheries: Largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, white perch

Tripp pond is located in southern Androscoggin County and is relatively popular due to its proximity to several urban areas. Over half of the shoreline is well developed, yet it still offers some nice hillside views of the Poland area. This water is principally managed for warmwater species.

A brown trout stocking program was attempted in the 1950's and again throughout most of the 1980's. Regular stocking of brown trout was discontinued in 1990 due to poor returns resulting from limited water quality. This water thermally stratifies each summer, but very little cool, oxygenated water is available for salmonid management. However, this pond is occasionally stocked with unscheduled brown trout or landlocked salmon to provide seasonal angling opportunities for coldwater gamefish.

Largemouth bass fishing is excellent and a good white perch fishery also exists. As a result, this water is fairly popular among local winter anglers.

A town owned boat access for small trailered boats is located at the southern end of the pond, but parking is limited to the road shoulder. In addition, the town owned picnic area off Rte. 11 offers car-top or canoe access and foot access for winter anglers. A road shoulder in this area is widened and offers parking for a small number of vehicles.

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