MUD POND
T15 R9, Aroostook Co.
U.S.G.S. Gardner Pond, Maine (7 1/2')

Fishes

- Brook trout
- Yellow perch
- Minnows
  - Common shiner
  - Redbelly dace
  - Finescale dace
- Blacknose dace
- Creek chub
- Fallfish (chub)
- Pearl dace
- White sucker

Physical Characteristics

- Area: 63 acres
- Average depth: 1 foot
- Maximum depth: 3 feet
- Temperatures:
  - Surface: 80°F
  - 18 feet: 80°F

Principal fishery: Baitfish

Most of Mud Pond is extremely shallow and weedy with a soft mud bottom. The shores are flat and boggy. Water temperatures become critically high during the summer and trout move to limited cool spring areas to survive. The pond has a very limited capacity to support a trout population. Large populations of competing species further limit trout production in this marginal habitat.

Mud Pond is one of many ponds situated in close proximity in T15 R9, a township owned by the State of Maine. Access to the pond is via a short walk from an improved gravel road system in T15 R9.

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