



## NORTH GORHAM POND

Gorham, Windham, Standish Twps., Cumberland Co. U.S.G.S. North Windham, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon Brown trout Brook trout Smallmouth bass Largemouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel Minnows Fallfish (chub) White Sucker Hornpout (bullhead) Banded killifish Pumpkinseed sunfish Black crappie American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 94 acres

Maximum depth - 23 feet

Temperatures: Surface - 79°F 40 feet - 75°F

Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, white perch, yellow Perch, chain pickerel

North Gorham Pond is an artificial impoundment on the Presumpscot River. The eastern shoreline is largely undeveloped, but the western shore is well developed with residences The impoundment is homothermous and is best suited for warmwater fisheries management.

This water produces good fishing for both smallmouth and largemouth bass. Perch and pickerel provide additional fishing opportunities and variety Black crappie have been reported as an illegal introduction, but they have yet to produce a notable fishery.

The special management section on the Presumpscot River is located above the pond and receives heavy stockings of brook trout and landlocked salmon. In addition, unscheduled brown trout are occasionally stocked in the river. These stocked fish will often drop-down into North Gorham Pond during the cooler months and can provide some good fishing between fall and spring.

Periodic drawdowns for dam maintenance impacts the fisheries in some years. MDIFW is working with the dam owner to reduce the number of drawdowns and adjust their timing to reduce impacts.

Car-top boats and canoes can be launched from the southwest corner of the pond adjacent to the picnic/swimming area. In the late 1990's, Central Maine Power constructed a carry-in access site with ample parking for Dundee Pond and this same area can be used for North Gorham Pond. The access and parking area are both located off the North Gorham Road/Windham Center Road in Windham.

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