PEMAQUID POND
Damariscotta, Bremen, and Nobleboro Twps., Lincoln County
U.S.G.S. Waldoboro, Maine

Fishes

Brown trout
Smelt
Smallmouth bass
Alewife
White perch
Eel
Yellow perch
White sucker
Chain pickerel
Minnows
Hornpout (bullhead)
Banded killifish

Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area — 1515 acres
Temperatures
Maximum depth — 61 feet
Surface — 73°F
59 feet — 50°F

Principal Fishery: Brown trout, smallmouth bass, white perch, pickerel

Pemaquid Pond lacks sufficient spawning and nursery areas to support a brown trout fishery by natural reproduction; consequently, stocking is necessary. Annually, fall yearlings are stocked by the Department to perpetuate this fishery.

Smallmouth bass gained entrance to Pemaquid Pond from McCurdy Pond in the early 1960's. The ideal habitat for bass in Pemaquid has resulted in an attractive fishery for them.

This pond serves as a spawning area for alewives. Alewife production was enhanced when an obstruction was removed at Pemaquid Falls in 1970 and a fishway was constructed at Bristol Mills in 1971. Alewives not only provide forage for the gamefish at Pemaquid Pond but also provide benefits to the local economy. Alewives are used primarily as lobster bait.

Boat launch facilities are located at the north end of the pond adjacent to U.S. Route 1 or at campgrounds on the east and west shores.

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