

DAGGETT POND
T7 R14 WELS, Piscataquis Co.
U.S.G.S. Caucomgomoc Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)
White perch
Yellow perch
Hornpout (bullhead)
White sucker

Minnows
Fallfish (chub)
Golden shiner
Lake chub
Blacknose dace
Cusk

Physical Characteristics

Area - 461 acres

Maximum depth - 20 feet

Principal Fishery: Brook trout, white perch

Temperatures

Surface - 61 °F.

18 feet - 60 °F.

Daggett Pond is situated in the large flat spruce-fir area north of Chesuncook Lake. Daggett, Round, Shallow, Poland, and some smaller waters all flow into Caucomgomoc Lake via Ciss Stream. Access to Daggett Pond is by boat up Little Ciss Stream from Round Pond. Round Pond may be reached by boat from Caucomgomoc Lake. A gravel logging road crosses Ciss Stream, but this road is usually closed to the public.

Daggett Pond is an irregularly-shaped shallow pond with two small islands. Much of the shoreline is rocky with some ledges and large rocks close to the surface. The western end, near the outlet (Little Ciss Stream), has an extensive bog-type shoreline area. This shallow pond is exposed to heavy winds, and its muddy bottom is churned resulting in a murky condition for prolonged periods.

The surrounding forest is composed of spruce, balsam fir, and cedar with many large white pines protruding above the general canopy. There is some aquatic vegetation in the cove areas and the outlet is choked with aquatic plants enjoyed by waterfowl. Eagles and ospreys are common to the area.

Although the water was cool at the time of the survey, this shallow pond must become quite warm from surface to the bottom during periods of warm weather, and intensive management for trout and salmon would be questionable. However, some trout, and possibly salmon, are caught there as there are no barriers to prevent these species from traveling into or out of the pond from below. The principal inlet (Shallow Stream) is rocky with excellent nursery areas for trout, but probably gets quite warm as it is the outlet of another large shallow pond (Shallow Lake). There is very little gravel suitable for

trout spawning in Shallow Stream and natural falls a short distance up from Daggett Pond are a barrier to fish at most water levels.

Perhaps the greatest potential for Daggett is in management for white perch and for the incidental natural fisheries for trout and salmon already present. Trout and salmon may live there most of the year as there is sufficient mixing of the water to maintain an adequate amount of oxygen most of the time. Regulations should be the same as those for Caucomgomoc Lake and connecting waters.

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