

LOON POND  
Attean and Holeb, Somerset Co.  
U. S. G. S. Attean, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)  
White sucker

Minnows  
Finescale dace  
Fathead minnow

Physical Characteristics

Area - 37 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 10 feet

Surface - 77° F.  
9 feet - 73° F.

Loon Pond is a shallow pond lying just southwest of Burnt Jacket Mountain. Much of the pond is surrounded by mats of quaking bog, with the remainder enclosed by coniferous forest. The bottom of the pond is soft silt.

Although trout were difficult to locate during the survey (the water temperatures were exceptionally high) Loon Pond has supported a good brook trout fishery in the past years. Despite the unseasonably warm weather at the time of the survey, the oxygen content was high. It is possible that a prolonged warm spell might raise the water temperatures beyond those tolerable by trout.

There are no large tributaries, and the outlet has no spawning facilities. A four-foot falls on the outlet should prevent the introduction of other species of fish, unless the beaver dams flood it out.

Competition from suckers does not appear to be too serious a problem at the present time. Fingerling brook trout were stocked in the fall of 1965 in an attempt to restore the once good trout fishery.

The use or possession of live fish as bait should be prohibited to prevent the establishment of other species of fish. Additional species could reduce the trout fishery to an even greater extent.

Loon Pond is accessible by small float plane or by trail and canoe from Holeb Pond.

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SOMERSET CO., MAINE

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