

SANDY RIVER BROWN TROUT MANAGEMENT PLAN

GOAL:

To augment the existing sport fishery for brown trout in the lower Sandy River. (Between Strong and New Sharon)

OBJECTIVES:

Provide a catch rate of 0.20 trout per angler day with a mean length of 14 inches.

MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES:

- 1) Stock 3000 fin clipped fall yearling brown trout annually for 5 years (1984-88).
- 2) Stock 3000 fin clipped spring yearling brown trout annually for 5 years (1989-93).
- 3) River stocked between Strong and New Sharon.

REGULATIONS:¹

- 1) Open water fishing from April 1 thru October 31.
- 2) Open under general law regulations from April 1 - September 15.
- 3) From September 16 thru October 31, fly fishing only, all fish caught must be released at once from Strong to its confluence with the Kennebec.

¹Regulations already established.

EVALUATION:

Data collected by anglers who voluntarily record their catch. Data will be analyzed and summarized annually. Final reports in 1989 and 1994.

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