

## **PUFFERS POND**

## (ECHO LAKE)

Dexter Twp., Penobscot County U.S.G.S Augusta, Maine

## **Fishes**

Brook trout Smallmouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel Minnows
Common shiner
Fallfish
White sucker
Hornpout (bullhead)
Pumpkinseed sunfish

## **Physical Characteristics**

Area - 96 acres Temperatures: Surface -  $70^{\circ}$ F Maximum depth - 52 feet 46 feet -  $43^{\circ}$ F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout, smallmouth bass

Puffers Pond was chemically reclaimed in 1958 to eliminate competing species prior to the introduction of brook trout, but unfortunately all fish species were not removed. These 'rough' species have become very abundant and now smallmouth bass have been established. Stocked brook trout provide a fishery through the first summer but very few 'carry-over' to reach larger sizes.

The characteristics of Puffers Pond make it difficult to completely remove undesirable species therefore it is not recommended to attempt another reclaimation.

A trailerable boat launch facility is available to the pubic that is located at the southwest end of the lake off route 94.

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