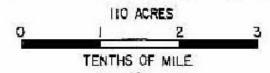


LITTLE AUSTIN POND

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Bald Mountain Twp., Somerset County U.S.G.S. Dimmick Mountain, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Brook trout
Rainbow smelt
Minnows
Lake chub
Blacknose dace

Creek chub Fallfish (chub) White sucker Pumpkinseed sunfish American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 110 acres

Temperatures: Surface - 73°F 30 feet - 57°F

Maximum depth - 33 feet

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Little Austin Pond is located south of Bald Mountain. It has a small muddy inlet at the north end. A short swampy outlet flows south into Austin Pond. The pond's shoreline is undeveloped.

Water quality in Little Austin Pond is marginal for coldwater gamefish with warm surface water temperatures and a lack of dissolved oxygen at the lower depths. Neither the inlet nor the outlet is ideal as spawning area, but a small population of wild brook trout is produced. Brook trout are also stocked annually, but their potential as a fishery is limited due to the water quality and competition from other fish species.

Little Austin Pond is accessible via a gravel boat launch site at the pond's south end. This is reached from logging roads north of Route 16. The pond is open to fishing under general law in the summer and closed to winter fishing. See the lawbook for additional regulations.

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