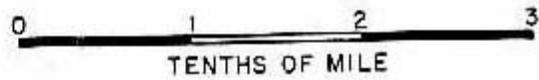


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UPPER HUDSON POND

TILL RIVER, AROOSTOOK CO., MAINE

AREA 32 ACRES



UPPER HUDSON POND

T11 R10, Aroostook Co.
U.S.G.S. Fifth Musquacook Lake, Me (7.5')

Fishes

Brook trout

Physical Characteristics

Area - 37 acres

Maximum depth - 37 feet

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Temperatures:

Surface - 66°F

37 feet - 52°F

Upper Hudson Pond is a very picturesque small pond surrounded by a forested shoreline with a prominent ledge precipice rising above the water at the north end.

The pond provides ideal habitat for brook trout. Water is crystal clear and below 10 feet it is cool with abundant dissolved oxygen in late summer. At a normal lake level, crayfish may be numerous among the rocks on the shoreline of the pond. However, beavers frequently dam the outlet inundating the rocky shoreline.

At the time of the original survey in 1956, Upper Hudson Pond contained no fish populations of any kind. The precipitous nature of the outlet prohibits all upstream fish movement. Brook trout fry were introduced in 1958, and growth and survival were excellent. Trout have spawned successfully along gravelly shores and are self-sustaining. A small number of Sourdnhunk strain trout were stocked in 1997 to expand the gene pool.

Conservative fishing regulations have been established to protect the trout population and enhance the sport fishery.

Vehicle access is via private gravel roads built and maintained by industrial landowners for forest management purposes. A footpath of ½ mile completes access to the pond.

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