BEAVER POND TA R12, Piscataquis Co. U. S. G. S. Jo-Mary Mountain, Me.

walk about 150 yards to Beaver Pond. General fishing regulations adequately protect the trout fishery in this remote pond.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) Hornpout (bullhead) White sucker

Maximum depth - 7 feet

Minnows Lake chub Cusk

Physical Characteristics

Area - 27 acres

Temperatures Surface - 61° F. 5 feet - 61° F.

Beaver Pond has a soft mud bottom which supports abundant aquatic vegetation. Large floating mats of quaking bog occur in several coves. Water temperatures reported here may be misleading because the few days immediately preceding the survey were cold and rainy; much higher summer temperatures are probable in this shallow pond. However, cold water from a small spring tributary which enters the southwest corner of Beaver Pond provides a refuge for trout during the hot weather.

There is no gravel for trout spawning sites in the pond or its tributary, and the limited gravel area in the small, intermittent outlet often is not accessible to trout. The trout population of Beaver Pond is maintained by natural reproduction in Fourth Roach Pond; the trout migrate up the outlet from Fourth Roach during high water and sometimes are trapped in Beaver Pond when water levels fall.

In addition to its population of brook trout, Beaver Pond also supports large populations of hornpout, suckers, and chubs. These fish undoubtedly reduce the potential brook trout population.

To reach Beaver Pond, drive from Kokadjo toward Yoke Ponds. From this road there is a bumpy, rough, side road leading 200 yards to a small landing on Third Roach Pond. You can canoe across Third and Fourth Roach Ponds and then

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