



THIRD ROACH POND

TAR12, Piscataquis Co.
U.S.G.S. Wadleigh Mountain, Me (7 ½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Redbelly dace
Brook trout	Blacknose dace
Splake	Creek chub
Lake whitefish	Fallfish
Rainbow smelt	White sucker
Yellow perch	Hornpout (bullhead)
Minnows	Burbot (cusk)
Lake chub	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Golden shiner	Slimy sculpin
Common shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 570 acres

Maximum depth - 26 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 65⁰F

22 feet - 63⁰F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout, landlocked salmon

Access to Third Roach Pond is over a network of graveled logging roads leading east from Kokadjo.

It is a large shallow pond situated so the prevailing winds keep the water well mixed. Water temperatures are similar from top to bottom throughout most of the summer. There are no tributaries with suitable spawning habitat for brook trout. The outlet contains areas adequate for spawning, including suitable substrate and nursery areas for landlocked salmon.

The fishery for brook trout was maintained with hatchery-reared fall-fingerlings. Brook trout stocking ended in 1995 due to poor results in the face of competition, especially from the newly established yellow perch.

Landlocked salmon were stocked in the 1970s and created a limited fishery for 14"-16" fish. A few salmon continued to contribute to the fishery throughout the 1980s, probably from natural reproduction in the outlet. Landlocked salmon stocking was resumed in 1997.

A few of the splake stocked in Fourth Roach Pond find their way downstream into Third Roach Pond. The water quality in Third Roach Pond is not suitable to support a large number of splake so they will not provide more than an occasional fish.

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