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AUSTIN POND
 T2R3(BALD MTN. TWP), SOMERSET CO., MAINE
 AREA 684 ACRES
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 TENTHS OF MILE

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

Fishes

Landlocked salmon	Creek chub
Brook trout	Fallfish (chub)
Rainbow smelt	White sucker
Minnnows	Pumpkinseed
	sunfish
Lake chub	American eel
Golden shiner	

Physical Characteristics

Area - 684 acres

Maximum depth - 34 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 75°F

30 feet - 62°F

Principal fisheries: Landlocked salmon, brook trout

Austin Pond is located south of Bald Mountain. It has a number of small inlets entering the northern and eastern sides of the pond. Its outlet, Austin Stream, flows southwest into the Kennebec River. The boulder-strewn shoreline and islands are mostly undeveloped.

The water quality of Austin Pond is marginal for coldwater gamefish. Despite this limitation, wild populations of salmon and brook trout provide some fishing. Spawning and nursery habitat is utilized in both the inlet and outlet. Brook trout are stocked to supplement the native fish and maintain a fishery. Trout and salmon growth is good despite competition from other fish species.

Austin Pond is accessible via gravel logging roads from Route 16 in Bingham. A hand-carry boat launch site is located on the southeast side and camping sites are found around the eastern shoreline. The pond is open to general law fishing in the summer, but closed to ice fishing. See the lawbook for additional regulations.

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