

HURD POND
Dedham Twp., Hancock Co.
U.S.G.S. Orland, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)	Alewife
White perch	White sucker
Hornpout (bullhead)	Minnnows
	Creek chub

Physical Characteristics

Area - 38 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 75° F.
Maximum depth - 21 feet	20 feet - 61° F.

Principal Fishery: White perch, brook trout

Hurd Pond is situated in the picturesque hill country around Lucerne in Maine. It can be reached via a side road off the road that leads to Dedham.

The pond was chemically reclaimed in 1968 to remove unwanted species and permit intensive management for brook trout. Evidently, the reclamation wasn't too successful as check netting in the summer of 1973 revealed the presence of five other species in addition to brookies. White perch and hornpout appeared to be fairly abundant. Both of these species compete with trout for food and space thereby severely limiting growth and survival of trout. In view of these unfavorable conditions, trout stocking has been permanently discontinued. There is some spawning and nursery area available in the outlet, and a small number of wild trout will undoubtedly continue to exist in the pond.

Because re-reclamation is not deemed feasible, the pond will be managed in the future for its warm water species.

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