

BIG BEAVER POND
(Aroostook Pond)
T7 R9 WELS, Piscataquis Co.
U. S. G. S. Millinocket Lake, Me.

Fishes

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| Brook trout (squaretail) | Minnows (Cont'd) |
| White sucker | Redbelly dace |
| Minnows | Blacknose dace |
| Creek chub | Pearl dace |

Physical Characteristics

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| Area - 329 acres | Temperatures |
| | Surface - 72° F. |
| Maximum depth - 22 feet | 20 feet - 68° F. |

Big Beaver Pond has similar water temperatures at all depths, and there is a slight oxygen deficiency below 15 feet in late summer.

The pond should be managed for brook trout. A fair trout fishery is apparently maintained by natural reproduction within the lake, since there is little spawning and nursery area in the small tributaries.

An impassable falls on the outlet just below the pond prevents trout immigration from areas below. The falls also serve to prevent introduction of several competing species from Little Beaver Pond below. Fishermen should be especially careful not to dump pails of bait trapped in other waters. Dumping of bait pails is the chief method of introducing species that compete with trout for food and space.

