

PICKEREL POND
Topsfield Twp., Washington Co.
U. S. G. S. Scraggly Lake, Me.

Fishes

Yellow perch
Chain pickerel

Hornpout (bullhead)
Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 39 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 17 feet

Surface - 62° F.

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Pickerel Pond is a shallow, clear-water pond that flows into Baskahegan Lake, in the Mattawamkeag River drainage. The pond is located just south of Rte. 1, and you can drive to it over the Gentner Road with a 4-wheel-drive vehicle. There is no boat landing as such, but the road passes very near the pond, and the carry is not difficult.

Pickerel Pond should continue to be considered a pickerel-perch-hornpout pond. Trout would not thrive in such a shallow pond in the presence of the several competitors present. Chemical reclamation to remove the competitors is not feasible at Pickerel Pond, because there is no suitable location for construction of an outlet barrier dam. Barrier dams are essential at the outlets of reclaimed ponds to prevent re-entry of undesirable fish.

No stocking is recommended.

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