## **BLACK POND**

(Black Snake Pond) Turner Twp., Androscoggin Co. U.S.G.S. Lake Auburn West, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Minnows Golden shiner

Hornpout (bullhead)

**Physical Characteristics** 

Area - 12 acres

Temperatures:

Surface - 76°F

Maximum depth - 36 feet

35 feet - 45°F

Principal fisheries: Hornpout

Black Pond was chemically reclaimed in 1970 to remove competing fish species and permit intensive management for brook trout. A trout fishery was maintained with annual stockings for several years following the reclamation. During this period the pond became reinfested with hornpout and golden shiners. These fishes, particularly the hornpout, are now extremely abundant. Their presence resulted in the termination of the trout stocking program in 1980.

The Department received reports, in 1999, of anglers catching largemouth bass, and we will follow up on this report in order to confirm this illegal stocking.

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