



## **CARIBOU LAKE**

Washburn Twp., Aroostook Co. U.S.G.S. Caribou, Me (7 1/2')

## **Fishes**

Brook trout
Minnows
Redbelly dace
Finescale dace
Fathead minnow
Creek chub

Fallfish
Pearl dace
White sucker
Banded killifish
Threespine stickleback

## **Physical Characteristics**

Area - 94 acres Mean depth - 2 feet Maximum depth - 3 feet Temperatures: Surface - 75°F 3 feet - 75°F

Principal fishery: Baitfish

Caribou Lake is a shallow pond with little potential for supporting a coldwater fishery for brook trout. The shoreline is mostly undeveloped with no tributaries, and the lake bottom is almost entirely deep, organic muck. These factors likely preclude the existence of brook trout except for on a very limited basis.

The lake has recently been a source of irrigation water for adjacent agricultural fields. In 1995 the lake was nearly completely dried as a result of such water withdrawals. Provisions have been made to allow for continued limited water withdrawal without destroying the aquatic environment.

General law fisheries regulations apply at Caribou Lake.

Although a small launch site for small watercraft is present, no right of way currently exists.

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