

PORTLAND LAKE Bridgewater, Aroostook Co. U.S.G.S. Bridgewater, Maine (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout Rainbow smelt Minnows Lake chub Golden shiner Common shiner

Redbelly dace Finescale dace Blacknose dace Creek chub Pearl dace White sucker Banded killifish Ninespine stickleback Pumpkinseed sunfish American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 41 acres

Average depth - 17 feet Maximum depth - 53 feet

Principal fisheries: Brook trout, rainbow smelt

Portland Lake lies within a forested area that is surrounded by agricultural land in eastern Aroostook County. The lake has good habitat for brook trout although water below 20 feet develops an oxygen deficiency for trout during warm summer months. Large populations of competing species exist at Portland Lake that may limit production of brook trout.

No public right-of-way currently exists and permission from local landowners must be obtained to access the lake.

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Temperatures: Surface - 73⁰F 20 feet - 55⁰F 50 feet - 43⁰F