

CLEARWATER POND

Farmington and Industry, Franklin County U.S.G.S. New Sharon, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon Common shiner Creek chub Lake trout (togue) Brook trout Fallfish (chub) Round whitefish White sucker Hornpout (bullhead) Rainbow smelt Burbot (cusk) Smallmouth bass Yellow perch Banded killifish Minnows **Ninespine** stickleback

Lake chub Pumpkinseed sunfish

Golden shiner American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 751 acres

Temperatures:

Surface - 72°F

Maximum depth - 129 feet

110 feet - 43°F

Principal fisheries: Landlocked salmon, lake trout, rainbow smelt, and smallmouth bass

Clearwater Pond is located west of Bannock Mountain. The pond has many small inlets entering from the surrounding hillsides. Its outlet, Muddy Brook, flows south into the Sandy River. The pond's shoreline is heavily developed.

Water quality in Clearwater Pond is ideal for coldwater gamefish. Spawning habitat, available along the shorelines, is utilized by a self- sustaining lake trout population. Landlocked salmon and brook trout spawning and nursery habitat is limited, so stocking is necessary to provide fisheries for both of these species. Salmonid growth is good despite competition from warmwater fish species.

Clearwater Pond is accessible via a public launch site on Route 43. The pond is open to fishing under general law in both the summer and winter seasons. The ice fishing season begins January 1. See the lawbook for special regulations.

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