INGHAM POND

Mt. Vernon Twp. Kennebec County U.S.G.S. Readfield, Maine

Fishes

Minnows				
Golden shiner				
White sucker				
Hornpout (bullhead)				
Pumpkinseed sunfish				
Black crappie				
American eel				

Physical Characteristics

Area	-	50	acres	Tem	Temperatures			
				Su	rface	-	74° F.	
				19	feet	-	60° F.	
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Maximum depth - 19 feet

Principal Fishery: Largemouth bass, White perch, Chain pickerel, Northern pike, Black crappie

Ingham Pond is a shallow, weedy pond which is undergoing rapid changes caused by decomposition of the abundant organic material. This decomposition uses most of the oxygen in the deeper water and causes a void for aquatic life below 10 feet. Eventually, like other ponds of this type, Ingham Pond will turn into a bog.

Northern pike have recently migrated upstream to Ingham Pond from Long Pond. Although adult pike habitat is very limited it is an ideal pond for reproduction because of the abundant spawning and nursery habitat.

Winter anglers have good success for pike, although the pike are generally small. The early-summer angler has the opportunity for larger pike migrating from Long Pond to Ingham Pond during the spawning run.

There is no direct access to Ingham Pond. A snowmobile trail crosses the inlet stream just above the pond for the winter angler. Access during the summer is from Belgrade Stream.

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