

## PENNY POND

Belgrade and Sidney, Twps., Kennebec County U.S.G.S. Belgrade, Maine

**Fishes** 

Smallmouth bass Minnows Golden shiner

Hornpout (bullhead)

**Physical Characteristics** 

Area - 44 acres Temperatures:

Surface - 74<sup>0</sup>F

Maximum depth - 38 feet

38 feet - 44<sup>0</sup>F

Principal fishery: Smallmouth bass

Penny Pond is a small kettle pond of glacial origin. The pond was treated in the early 1940's with copper sulfate to reduce the existing fish populations. This was followed by stocking smallmouth bass fry which failed to establish a self-sustaining population. In 1963, under the direction of the Regional Fishery Biologist, several adult smallmouth bass were stocked. This stocking was successful in establishing a bass fishery.

Unfortunately, the smallmouth bass in Penny Pond appear to be stunted. Although the bass survive to at least 9 years old they rarely reach a size of 12 inches.

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