BARKER POND

Hiram Twp., Oxford Co. Sebago Twp., Cumberland Co. U.S.G.S. Hiram, Me. (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brown trout
Rainbow smelt
Smallmouth bass
Largemouth bass
Yellow perch
Chain pickerel
Minnows
Golden shiner
Bridled shiner

Common shiner

White sucker
Hornpout (Bullhead)
Pumpkinseed sunfish
American eel
Landlocked alewife

Physical characteristics

Area - 206 acres Temperatures Surface - $72^{\circ}F$ Maximum depth - 44 feet 43 feet - $45^{\circ}F$

Principal fisheries: Smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, brown trout, chain pickerel

Barker Pond, located in the towns of Hiram and Sebago supports a high quality smallmouth bass and largemouth bass fishery. Extensive shallows, weedbeds and structure such as stumps, and rockpiles provide ample habitat for the bass.

Barker Pond thermally stratifies into a warm upper layer and a cold bottom layer during the summer. Much of the cold

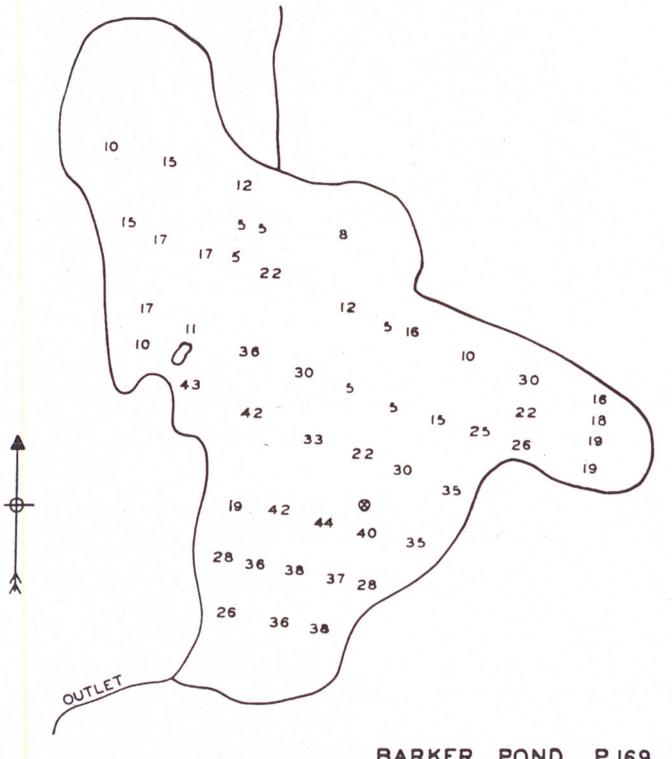
water layer is low in oxygen which limits its potential to support a large population of coldwater game fish. The thermocline does contain water quality which is adequate to support a brown trout fishery.

Landlocked alewives have become established at Barker Pond as a result of fish dropping downstream from the population in Hancock Pond. These alewives were introduced by the biologist from the Dept. Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. The alewives along with the smelt provide forage for the various gamefish resident in Barker Pond.

Barker Pond is open both summer and winter with general law regulations. Access is limited to carry-in at a site along the old railroad bed at the northern end of the pond. This old railroad bed extends down from the western shore of Hancock Pond.

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