ACKLEY POND

Mount Chase Twp., Penobscot Co. U. S. G. S. Shin Pond, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) White sucker Banded killifish Ninespine stickleback Minnows
Redbelly dace
Blacknose dace
Creek chub
Common shiner
Blacknose shiner

Physical Characteristics

Area - 19 acres

Temperatures

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Surface - 74° F.

Maximum depth - 5 feet

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Ackley Pond is a shallow, warmwater pond providing marginal summer habitat for trout.

During the hot summer months, water temperatures become critically warm and trout are forced to seek cool spring areas. Aquatic vegetation becomes so thick during the summer that it is almost impossible to fish except on the surface.

No evidence of trout reproduction was found during the survey but fishermen reportedly catch a few trout in this pond early in the spring. A deadwater inlet and a warm, sluggish outlet afford little potential for trout spawning and nursery area. Suckers and large minnows thrive in the shallow, warm water and compete seriously with trout for food and space.

