## HATCH POND Alton Twp., Penobscot Co. U.S.G.S. Passadumkeag, Me.

## Fishes

Yellow perch Hornpout (bullhead)

## **Physical Characteristics**

Area - 10 acres

Miximum depth -18 feet

Temperatures Surface  $-74^{\circ}$  F. 18 feet  $-40^{\circ}$  F.

Hatch Pond is a small, shallow pond lying at the base of a gravel horseback. The pond is encircled by a floating mat of bog plants, and much of its surface is covered by yellow water lilies. Temperatures are suitable for trout and sufficient oxygen occurs above the 12-foot level, but the water is extremely acid. This acid condition limits the pond to few species.

There are no tributaries or outlet.

The pond is easily accessible via a 100-yard walk from Route 16 in Alton. Fishing pressure is very light. The general law regulations are sufficient to protect the existing fishery.

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