## BOG POND

TA R11 WELS, Piscataquis County U.S.G.S Wadleigh Mountain, ME (7 1/2')

Fishes

Brook trout
Minnows
Lake chub
Creek Chub

White sucker

Physical Characteristics

Area - 40 acres

Temperatures

Surface - 64°F

Maximum depth - 5 feet

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Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Bog Pond is a shallow pond located on the outlet of Long Pond. There are many large boulders scattered throughout the pond. The bottom has a thin layer of silt, but is generally firm. Both the inlet and outlet contain adequate nursery habitat for brook trout, but beaver dams on both may restrict movement. The small tributary on the north shore provides some cooler water but no spawning habitat.

Brook trout are not very plentiful in Bog Pond. The abundance of common suckers and minnows is a limiting factor.

The forest surrounding the pond is mostly fir and cedar. The shoreline is a mix of typical Maine shrubs like sheep laurel and sweet gale. There are also

some high-bush blueberries. At the time of the survey there were three great-blue heron nests and one osprey nest on the shore of the pond.

Access to Bog Pond is via gravel road through the Jo-Mary gate maintained by North Maine Woods. Recent logging activity has placed a road within 100 yards of Bog Pond. Anglers must then carry through a clearcut and the buffer zone to the pond.

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