## RUM POND Greenville and T8 R10 Twps., Piscataquis Co. U.S.G.S. Greenville and Sebec Lake, Me.

## Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail) Smelt Eel Minnows Lake chub

## **Physical Characteristics**

Area - 245 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 65° F.
Maximum depth - 77 feet	70 feet - 46° F.

Rum Pond is located near the base of Rum Mountain. The surrounding hills are covered by stands of mature pine and spruce, with some large hardwoods present. The north shoreline is very steep and drops quickly to the maximum depth of the pond, 77 feet. A conglomeration of boulders, rocks, and some gravel surround the pond.

Water quality is excellent at all depths for coldwater game species. There is some competition and predation from smelts and chubs, but it does not appear to be a serious problem at this time. The pond will be managed for brook trout.

Trout undoubtedly spawn on gravel areas near the shore. The tributary from Cranberry Pond is very small, and flows underground near Rum Pond. The outlet, which flows a short distance into Lower Wilson Pond, is very steep and only of value to trout as a nursery area.

The present 5-fish limit and prohibited use or possession of live fish as bait should adequately protect the trout fishery.

Rum Pond is reached by walking about 2 miles from the outlet dam of Lower Wilson Pond or 3⁄4 mile from Rum Cove on Lower Wilson Pond. Many fishermen fly to the pond. There is good brook trout fishing, with some 3-pound trout caught.

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