

MOSQUITO POND

The Forks Plt., Somerset County U.S.G.S. Moxie Pond, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Landlocked salmon Brook trout Minnows Lake chub Golden shiner Redbelly dace Finescale dace Longnose sucker White sucker Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 71 acres Temperatures:

Surface - 73°F

Maximum depth - 47 feet

44 feet - 42°F

Principal fishery: Brook trout

Mosquito Pond is located south of Mosquito Mountain. Mosquito Stream, the pond's main inlet and outlet, enters from Little Mosquito Pond to west and exits east into Moxie Pond. The pond's shoreline is undeveloped.

Water quality in Mosquito Pond is good for coldwater gamefish Spawning and nursery habitat is present in the inlet and outlet, but not in large enough amounts to maintain a salmonid fishery. Brook trout are stocked annually to supplement the native fish. Salmon are present in low numbers but growth is slow without smelt as forage. Brook trout growth is satisfactory despite heavy competition from other fish species.

Mosquito Pond is accessible via a trail west of the Moxie Lake Road. The pond is open to fishing with no live fish as bait in the summer months and closed to ice fishing.

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