

OAKS POND

Skowhegan, Somerset County U.S.G.S. Canaan, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Brook trout Brown trout Rainbow smelt Smallmouth bass Largemouth bass White perch Yellow perch Chain pickerel

Minnows Golden shiner Common shiner Fallfish (chub) White sucker Hornpout (bullhead) Burbot (cusk)

Pumpkinseed sunfish Black crappie American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 102 acres Temperatures: Surface - 75°F 50 feet - 40°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout, smallmouth bass, white perch, chain pickerel

Oaks Pond is located between Lake George and the Kennebec River. Two inlets enter the north side of the pond from Lake George and Round Pond. It's outlet, Oak Stream, meanders east into Carrabassett Stream. The pond's shoreline is mostly developed.

Water quality in Oaks Pond is good for cold- water gamefish. Spawning and nursery habitat is lacking, so annual stockings of brown trout are necessary to maintain a coldwater fishery. Bass, perch, and pickerel provide anglers with good fisheries for attractive size fish.

Oaks Pond is reached via private camp roads off the Oaks Pond Road and Route 2. The pond is open to fishing under general law in both the summer and winter seasons. The ice fishing season begins January

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Maximum depth - 53 feet