SAFFORD POND

Lexington Twp., Somerset County U.S.G.S. New Portland, Maine $(7\frac{1}{2})$ and U.S.G.S. Witham Mountain, Maine $(7\frac{1}{2})$

Fishes

Chain pickerel Minnows Blacknose dace Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 40 acres

Temperatures

Maximum depth - 9 feet

Surface - 73°F 6 feet - 72°F

Principal fishery: Chain pickerel

Safford Pond is located east of Vose Mountain. Its boggy inlet enters at the north end of the pond and its rocky outlet exits the south end. The shoreline is undeveloped.

Water quality and spawning habitat for coldwater fish species is poor in Safford Pond. The pond is shallow and warm at all depths in the summer months. The rocks and boulders surrounding the shoreline provide marginal habitat for chain pickerel, which provide the primary fishery.

Safford Pond is accessible via a trail leading from gravel roads leaving Route 16 in Kingfield. The pond is open to general law fishing in both the summer and winter seasons.

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