## CLIFFORD LAKE T26ED, T27ED, Washington County U.S.G.S. Big Lake

Fishes

Smallmouth bass	Hornpout (bullhead)
White perch	White sucker
Yellow perch	Minnows
Chain pickerel	Pumpkinseed sunfish

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 954 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 72° F.
Maximum depth - 50 feet	50 feet - 55° F.

Principal Fishery: Pickerel, white perch, smallmouth bass

Clifford Lake is a moderate-sized body of water located 4-5 miles to the south of Big Lake. Vehicular access, from either the north or south, is provided by "The 26" road, a Georgia-Pacific hauling road. Both the public boat launching and camping areas are located along the eastern side of the eastern arm.

The lake supports abundant populations of white perch and pickerel along with far lesser numbers of smallmouth bass. Perch anglers make good catches during the open water season. Some perch reach lengths of 12-14 inches which adds to the lakes appeal. Pickerel grow well and many exceed the statewide average length of about 17 inches. Bass are not numerous apparently as a result of limited area of suitable spawning habitat. Despite the "slow" fishing, some bass fishermen continue to fish Clifford Lake as it produces a few trophy-size fish from 3-4 1/2 pounds in most years. A thoroughfare which is sufficiently wide and deep to accommodate small boats connect the lake with Silver Pug Lake.

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