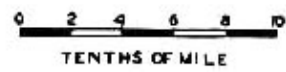


MIDAS # 3132
 HANCOCK POND

DENMARK TWP, OXFORD CO., MAINE

AREA 858 ACRES



HANCOCK POND

Denmark Twp., Oxford, Co.
Sebago Lake Twp., Cumberland, Co.
U.S.G.S. North Sebago & Hiram, Me. (7.5')

Fishes

Brown trout	Common shiner
Brook trout	Fallfish
Lake trout	White sucker
Rainbow smelt	Hornpout (bullhead)
Smallmouth bass	Banded killifish
Largemouth bass	Pumpkinseed sunfish
Yellow perch	Redbreast sunfish
Chain pickerel	Slimy sculpin
Minnnows	American eel
Golden shiner	Landlocked alewife

Physical Characteristics

Area - 858 acres

Maximum depth - 70 feet

Temperatures:

Surface - 76°F

55 feet - 44°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass

Hancock Pond has a very irregular bottom type, shape, and contour. All of its deep water, forty to seventy feet, lies in the vicinity of the so called "Narrows". These irregularities create an abundance and variety of habitats, which in turn makes this water a consistent producer of quality brown trout and bass. Summer and winter anglers regularly fish this water, and are often present in sizable numbers early each season.

This water lacks suitable salmonid spawning habitat, and brown trout must be stocked annually to maintain the fishery. Several brown trout over six pounds are taken each year. Lake trout were stocked for several years beginning in the mid 1980's, but discontinued in 1990 due to the successful brown trout program. In 1984, the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife successfully introduced landlocked alewives to provide an additional forage species.

Both smallmouth bass and largemouth bass are naturally self-sustaining, and are often taken in excess of three pounds. Smelt, juvenile yellow perch, and landlocked alewives provide an exceptional forage base for the bass and brown trout.

A public boat ramp with a small parking area is located at the northeastern end of the pond. Anglers traveling north on route 107 would take a left onto either Hancock Pond Road or Swamp Road, and the ramp is on the left just beyond the intersection of these two roads.

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