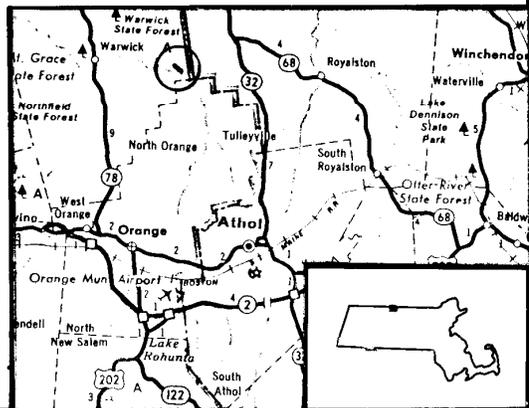


**SHEOMET LAKE
(WARWICK)**
Area = 26 Acres

LOCATION



NOT TO BE USED FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES

SHEOMET POND (Warwick)

General Information:

This is a small, 33 acre, infertile cold water pond located in Warwick State Forest 3.7 miles east of Route 78 and Athol Road. Access is off Athol Road to the right of the dam. An informal gravel launch area is suitable for trailer launching and an unpaved parking area can accommodate approximately 20 vehicles.

This pond is characterized by brown water with a transparency of six feet. The bottom is muck and gravel and here are several small islands and rock outcrops. The mean and maximum depths are six feet and 13 feet, respectively. Emergent aquatic vegetation covers approximately 10 percent of the surface area. The mile or so of shoreline is undeveloped.

Trout water could be found below eight feet in the deeper section of the pond near the dam and along the southwest portion over an area of several acres. The pond was reclaimed in 1959. The productivity at the time of reclamation was estimated at 41 pounds of fish per acre.

This pond can be located on the U.S.G.S. topographical quad map titled "Mt. Grace." Nearby fishing areas include Laurel Lake, Moores Pond, Lake Mattawa and the Millers River.

Fish Populations:

The fish population was last sampled on July 18, 1980. The eight species observed, listed in order of abundance, include brown bullhead, pumpkinseed, white sucker, smallmouth bass, golden shiner, eastern brook trout, killifish, and American eel.

Fishing:

Brown bullhead, pumpkinseeds and white suckers dominate the fish population. Smallmouth bass, introduced fairly recently in the hope of providing a self-sustaining population, show evidence of reproduction and have good to excellent growth rates. Smallmouth numbers are still low, however. Several good brook trout were sampled and there is evidence of successful carryover as several fish more than three years old were found.

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