



ONTARIO

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND FORESTS

SWENY LAKE

(local name Grass Lake)

District of Parry Sound

Proudfoot Township

PHYSICAL DATA

LATITUDE	45° 41'	LONGITUDE	79° 12'
SURFACE AREA	334 acres	VOLUME	12,135 acre feet
HEIGHT ABOVE SEA LEVEL	1,220 feet	PERIMETER	4.06 miles
MAXIMUM DEPTH	120 feet	MEAN DEPTH	36.5 feet

LAKE CHARACTERISTICS

This lake lies immediately north of Pevensey Lake and careful boaters can go from one to the other except during periods of very low water. Sweny Lake has a modest level of fertility (total dissolved solids value of 32.3 parts per million). The water is nearly neutral, the pH ranging from 6.2 to 7.0. It is light brown in colour with a secchi disc reading of 17 feet. At the time of the survey the lake was well stratified. The surface layer, ten feet in depth, had a temperature of 73° F. Below this layer the temperature dropped rapidly to 40° F. at the lake bottom.

FISH SPECIES PRESENT

Lake trout, brook trout, whitefish, white sucker, yellow perch, common shiner, lake chub.

FISHING

The lake is fished by local residents of Burks Falls, some cottagers and visitors to the Sand Lake-Kearney resort area. The popular sports fish is lake trout. The best time to fish this species is the very early spring. As the lake warms the lake trout are more difficult to catch and the angler must use heavy, deep water gear to enjoy a measure of success. Winter fishing is mediocre. As on Pevensey Lake, anglers are requested to report the occurrence of fin clipped lake trout to the Department office at Parry Sound.

ACCESS AND FACILITIES

Access to Sweny (Grass) Lake can be gained via a gravel road. Motorists can turn east off Highway No. 11 at Burks Falls on a local road (Yonge Street) which leaves Burks Falls traversing Armour Township to the hamlet of Sand Lake (approximately 13 miles), thence turning north for about two miles to Sweny Lake. An alternative route is to turn east off Highway No. 11 on Highway No. 518 to Emsdale and Kearney thence around the easterly shore of Sand Lake to Sand Lake hamlet and then turn northwards on the Sweny Lake gravel road. The distance from Kearney to Sweny Lake is approximately 13 miles.

There is one resort on Sweny Lake with accommodation to rent. All the land around the lake is owned by private individuals. Hotel and motel accommodations are available along Highway No. 11 in Burks Falls. Rental accommodation is available at the resorts in and around the communities of Kearney and Sand Lake.

SURVEY DATES
AUGUST 11 – 15, 1969.

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