Turtle Pond

Survey Date: July 29, 2020

Last Surveyed: 2018

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Lake Description

Turtle Pond is 71-acres and has 2.22-miles of shoreline. It is located in the town of Santa Clara, Franklin County and lies in the St. Lawrence Watershed. The team launched two canoes at the Hoel Pond State hand launch site located on Hoel Pond Access Road off of Floodwood Road.

Aquatic Invasive Plant Presence

No invasive plants were detected.

Native Plant Biota

Comprehensive surveys of all native plants found within the lake were not prioritized in 2020 as this data has previously been collected in 2018. Species observed included: *Nuphar variegata* (spatterdock), *Brasenia schreberi* (watershield), *Sparganium angustifolium* (narrow-leaf burr-reed), *Eriocaulon aquaticum* (pipewort), *Potamogeton natans* (floating-leaf pondweed) and *Pontederia cordata* (pickerel weed).

Aquatic Invasive Animal Presence

Sediment sieves were taken to determine the presence of *Corbicula fluminea* (Asian clams). None were detected. Three plankton tows were also conducted with no invasive zooplankton detected.









