

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

FISH AND SHELLFISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

ADV-31

This advisory is issued as a result of sampling of Clear Lake, Panola County. Bowfin, freshwater drum, and largemouth bass samples collected from Clear Lake indicate the presence of mercury at concentrations exceeding health assessment guidelines established by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Consumption of fish from Clear Lake may pose a threat to human health.

COUNTY: Panola County

AREA: Clear Lake

SPECIES AFFECTED: Bowfin, freshwater drum, and largemouth bass

CONSUMPTION ADVISORY: The DSHS advises that adults should limit consumption of bowfin, freshwater drum, and largemouth bass to no more than two eight ounce meals per month and children under twelve years old should limit consumption of bowfin, freshwater drum, and largemouth bass to no more than two four ounce meals per month. Women who are of childbearing age, who are or who might become pregnant, or who are nursing should not consume bowfin, freshwater drum, and largemouth bass from Clear Lake.

This advisory shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing.

Issued this 27th day of March, 2007



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Commissioner