

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES

FISH AND SHELLFISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

ADV-43

This advisory is issued as a result of sampling of Trinity River located in Dallas, Ellis, Henderson, Kaufman, Navarro, and Tarrant Counties, Texas. Blue catfish, channel catfish, common carp, flathead catfish, freshwater drum, gar, largemouth bass, smallmouth buffalo, and white bass samples collected from the Trinity River indicate the presence of polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) at concentrations exceeding health assessment guidelines established by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Channel catfish, flathead catfish, gar, and smallmouth buffalo collected from the Trinity River also indicate the presence of polychlorinated dibenzofurans and dibenzo-p-dioxins (PCDFs/PCDDs) at concentrations exceeding health assessment guidelines established by the DSHS. Consumption of fish from the Trinity River may pose a threat to human health.

COUNTIES: Anderson, Dallas, Ellis, Freestone, Henderson, Kaufman, Navarro, and Tarrant

AREA: The Clear Fork of the Trinity River from the Benbrook Reservoir Dam and the West Fork of the Trinity River from the Lake Worth Dam including the main stem of the Trinity River downstream to the U.S. Highway 287 Bridge.

SPECIES AFFECTED: All species of fish

CONSUMPTION ADVISORY: The DSHS advises that persons should not consume any species of fish from these waters.

This advisory shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing.

Issued this 7th day of July, 2010



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Commissioner