

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
FISH AND SHELLFISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

ADV-23

This advisory is issued as a result of sampling of Lake Ratcliff, Davy Crockett National Forest, Houston County. Samples of fish taken from Lake Ratcliff indicate the presence of mercury at concentrations that may pose a threat to human health if consumed.

COUNTY: Houston

AREA: Lake Ratcliff

SPECIES AFFECTED: Largemouth bass

CONTAMINANT: Mercury

CONSUMPTION ADVISORY: Adults should limit consumption of largemouth bass from this lake to no more than two (2) eight-ounce meals per month. Children should limit consumption of largemouth bass from this lake to no more than two (2) four-ounce meals per month.

This advisory shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing.

Issued this 10th day of May, 2002.

C. E. Bell M.D. for
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Commissioner of Health