

**TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF STATE HEALTH SERVICES**

**FISH AND SHELLFISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY**

**ADV-39**

This advisory is issued as a result of sampling of Village Creek Hardin County, Texas. Crappie, gar, and largemouth bass samples collected from Village Creek indicate the presence of mercury at concentrations exceeding health assessment guidelines established by the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS). Consumption of crappie, gar, and largemouth bass from Village Creek may pose a threat to human health.

**COUNTY:** Hardin County

**AREA:** Village Creek

**SPECIES AFFECTED:** Crappie, gar, and largemouth bass

**CONSUMPTION ADVISORY:** The DSHS advises that adults should limit consumption of crappie, gar, and largemouth bass to no more than two eight ounce meals per month and children under twelve years old should limit consumption of crappie, gar, and largemouth bass to no more than two four ounce meals per month. Women who are nursing, pregnant, or who may become pregnant should not consume crappie, gar, and largemouth bass from Village Creek.

This advisory shall remain in effect until rescinded or modified in writing.

Issued this 21st day of September, 2009



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Commissioner