DEQ Launches New Fish Consumption Web Page

Hook, Line and Supper is a Web page created by the Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to provide the public with information about healthy fish consumption. The Web page, www.deq.state.ok.us/fish/, contains data on lakes in Oklahoma that have elevated levels of mercury, lead, or pesticides. Fish consumption advisories have been issued for the lakes found on this Web page.

The goal of the Hook, Line and Supper Web page is to create awareness about safe fish consumption. Eating fish is an important part of a healthy diet. The information found on the Hook, Line, and Supper Web page is available so the public can make informed decisions about fish consumption.

Currently there are 19 water bodies in Oklahoma with fish consumption advisories. The following lakes have consumption advisories due to mercury:

- Atoka Lake
- Boomer Lake
- Broken Bow Reservoir
- Coalgate City Lake
- Draper Lake
- Elmer Thomas Lake
- Hugo Lake
- Kaw Reservoir
- Lake Heyburn
- McAlester City Lake
- McGee Creek Reservoir
- Pine Creek Reservoir
- Quanah Parker Lake
- Rush Lake
- Sardis Lake
- Wister Lake

The Tar Creek Area, including Grand Lake, has a consumption advisory due to lead. Bitter Creek in southwest Oklahoma has an advisory due to pesticides.

For more information, visit www.deq.state.ok.us/fish/ or contact Pam Baldwin or Jay Wright at 1-800-869-1400.

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