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LDEQ fishing and swimming advisory map now available as an app

BATON ROUGE – The Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) online fishing and swimming advisory map is now available as an application (app) for smartphones. The new app, released July 11, 2019, is available through Google Play and the Apple Store by entering the search term: LA Fish Advisories.

The app mirrors LDEQ’s online advisory map released in Dec. 2018. It allows even easier public access to information regarding Louisiana’s fish consumption and swimming advisories. By using the app, users can determine if their local fishing spot is currently under an advisory. Users can simply zoom into the area of interest and click on a fish icon to get detailed information on specific waterbody advisories.

The app also provides phone numbers and an email address where users can obtain more information on Louisiana’s fish consumption and swimming advisory process, as well as general water quality information.

“Using information from the app will allow fishers to continue to enjoy nutritious and delicious meals while helping to protect their health and the health of their families,” LDEQ Environmental Scientist Senior Al Hindrichs said. “When it comes to fish consumption advisories, accurate knowledge of the types and quantities of fish that can be safely consumed is key.”

Development of Louisiana’s fish consumption and swimming advisories is a joint effort of LDEQ, the Louisiana Department of Health, and the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The agencies encourage all recreational fishers to be aware of and heed all advisory recommendations when enjoying Louisiana’s fresh and saltwater fisheries.

For more information on Louisiana’s fish consumption and swimming advisories, call (225) 219-3189 or email the Water Planning and Assessment Division at DEQ-WWWWaterQuality@la.gov.

