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Housatonic River Advisory Consumption Outreach Plan Implementation in CT

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CT CCC Meeting



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Presentation Overview

- Introductions of CTDEEP & CTDPH Team Members
- Review of Permit Requirements for Biota Consumption Outreach Plan
- 2022 Plan Activities
- Development of New Signs and Materials
- CTDEEP Housatonic PCB Web Page





Introductions



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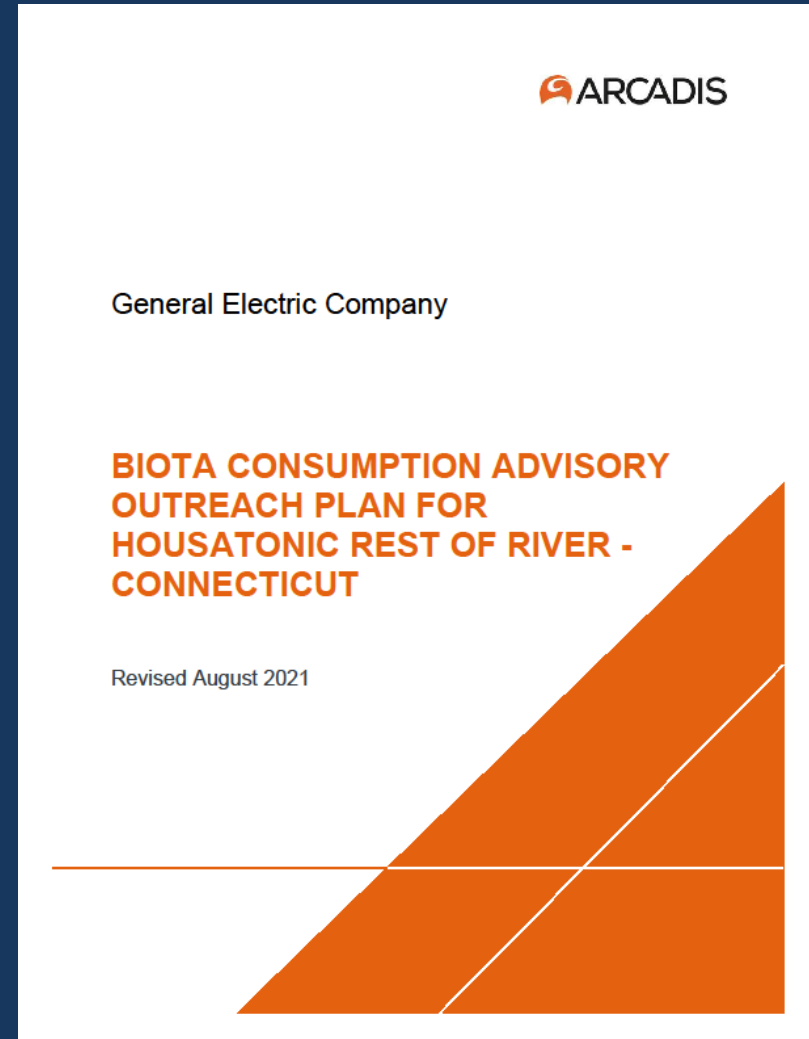
Requirements for Advisory Related Activities

GE Required to develop a plan to :

- Print and post advisory signs
- Print and distribute pamphlets
- Provide an annual report detailing activities for each year
- Provide support for other related outreach and educational activities if requested by CT or EPA

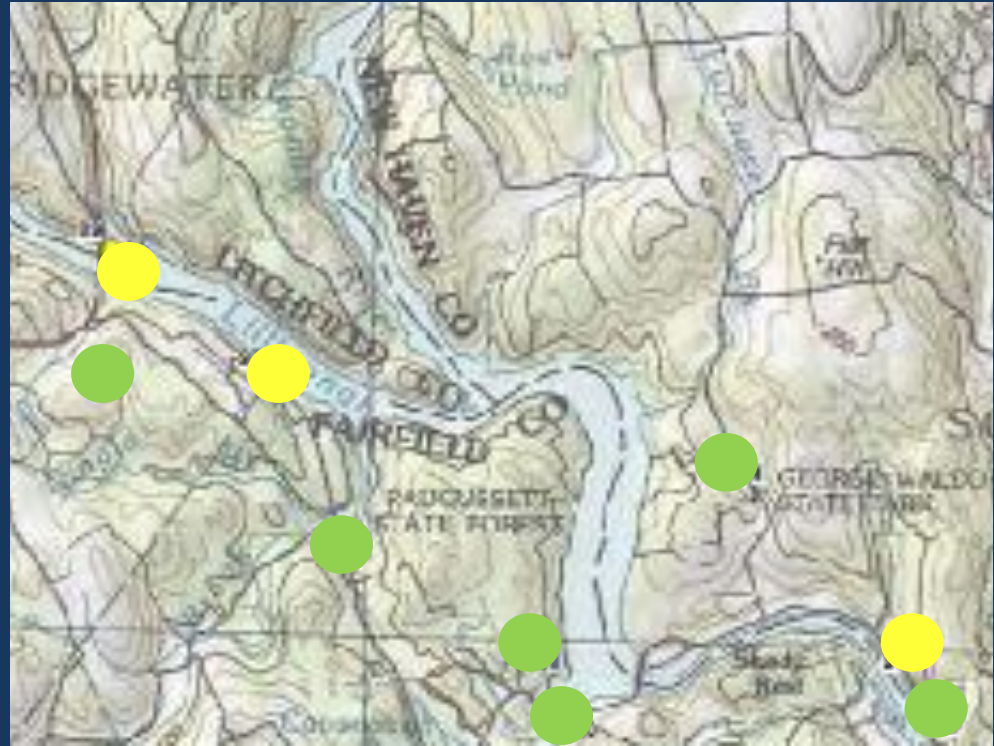


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Requirements for Advisory Activities

- CTDEEP identifies locations for signs to be posted
- Locations provided in tables & maps in GE documents
- CTDEEP & CTDPH develops signs & pamphlets



Map Excerpt Showing Sign Locations



Current Fish Consumption Signs

- Current Signs in English, Spanish & Southeast Asian Languages

Warning to People Who Fish

Although many fish in Connecticut are safe and healthy to eat, some fish from Connecticut waters have dangerous chemicals in them.

Housatonic River Upstream of the Derby Dam

Includes:

- Lake Zoar
- Lake Lillinonah
- Lake Housatonic

Pregnant women, women who plan to become pregnant and children under six should not eat fish from the Housatonic River upstream of the Derby Dam. Others should not eat Catfish, Carp, Eels or Trout from the Housatonic River. People other than pregnant women and children under six should eat no more than one meal every two months of Bass, White Perch and Bullheads.

If you follow this advice, you and your family will be safe and healthy eating fish caught in Connecticut waters.

For more information, call the Connecticut Department of Public Health (860) 509-7742, or the Department of Environmental Protection (860) 424-3474.

Warning to Fishermen and Their Families has been produced as a collaborative project of Connecticut's Department of Public Health and Environmental Protection.



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Updating Signs and Materials

- CTDEEP & CTDPH working to update signs & associated pamphlets, etc.
 - New signs to be designed using symbols, less words
 - Develop updated educational pamphlets
 - Evaluate which language for translation
 - EPA to provide translation services
 - Goal is to have new signs & pamphlets ready for next fishing season



Example sign developed for CT marine waters










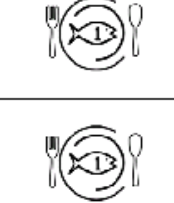


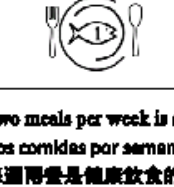


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Fish Consumption Advisory

Aviso de Consumo de Pescado
魚類消費者食用指南



 Striped Bass	 Do not eat	 One meal per month
 Bluefish 23+ Inches	 Do not eat	 One meal per month
 Bluefish 13-23 Inches	 One meal per month	 One meal per month
 Weakfish	 One meal per month	 One meal per month
 All other local saltwater species	Two meals per week is a part of a healthy diet. Dos comidas por semana es parte de una dieta saludable. 每週兩餐是健康飲食的一部分	

	Pregnant women, women who may become pregnant, nursing mothers and children under six. Las mujeres embarazadas, mujeres que puedan quedar embarazadas, madres lactantes y niños menores de seis años.
	Everyone not listed above Todo aquel no mencionado anteriormente 未在上圖列出的人

	Do not eat No Coma 禁食
	One meal per month Una comida al mes 每月一餐



www.ct.gov/dph/fish

This health advisory is based on elevated levels of PCB's in the most of local saltwater fish species.
Este aviso de salud se basa en los niveles elevados de PCB en la carne de las especies de agua salada locales.
此健康指南是根據當地鹹水魚類的多氯聯苯(PCB)的濃度水平擬定而訂

For more information, including advisories on eating store bought fish, contact DPH at 877.459.3474 or visit www.ct.gov/dph/fish

Para obtener más información, incluyendo avisos en comer pescado comprados en la tienda contacte:
DPH a 877.459.3474 o visite www.ct.gov/dph/fish

欲了解更多資訊，包括消費者食用商店購買的魚類限制，請聯絡衛生署電話：877.459.3474 或網上查詢 www.ct.gov/dph/fish

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Saltwater fish revision: 2014

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