

Access Coordinator. “We are really excited about this opportunity to create more private-public partnerships while expanding public access to the exceptional fishing and paddling resources that Texas rivers and creeks provide.”

The objective for TPWD is to establish lease agreements with landowners, resulting in increased river access for both anglers and paddlers. Since 2012, 24 public river access leases have been established with cooperating landowners. These agreements for access area use enabled or enhanced paddling and river fishing on more than 211 miles of 10 different rivers

across Texas. Find out more information and review descriptions of all the outstanding river access areas supported through the leased access program by visiting the TPWD River Fishing page.

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For more information or to submit an application, please see the River Access Request for Applications on the TPWD Grants Page. Landowners interested in partnering with TPWD in this effort can gain additional valuable insight into the program by checking out this fact sheet that answers some of the more frequently asked questions.

Landowners are encouraged to apply at any time, however, to receive preference for 2021 funding cycle, applications should be received by September 30, 2020.

Covid-19 numbers continue to rise across Texas

As Re-Open Texas continues, Covid-19 cases are still increasing within the state. In Coke County, we are now at 4 confirmed cases with 1 fatality and 3 considered to be active. A look at our neighboring counties shows dramatically increasing numbers in San Angelo (Tom Green County) with 192 confirmed cases, 111 of which are active; 3 confirmed cases in Runnels County with 0 active cases; Taylor County has 289

confirmed cases, 31 of which are active; Nolan County has 13 confirmed, 7 of which are active; and Mitchell County has 2 confirmed cases, 1 of which is active. Sterling County is our only neighboring county to have not had any confirmed cases of Covid-19.

Only two of the eleven categories were improvements on numbers prior to the end of May. The two bright spots are the average daily new recoveries

and the fatality percentage. Daily new recoveries averaged 1,149 per day the last week of May, 1,014 per day the first week of June, 1,235 per day the second week of June and 1,659 the third week of June. This shows we are averaging 500 recoveries a day more than we did the end of May. The fatality percentage averaged 2.67% the last week of May and fell to 2.51% and 2.33% the first and second weeks of June and continuing the fall to 2.16% the third week of June. This percentage dropped over one half percent during this time period. Unfortunately, the daily new fatality averages increased

in the third week of June. The average daily fatality number was 22 during the last week of May and first week of June before it dropped slightly to 20 in the second week of June. But it rose to 28 in the third week of June.

However although the daily recovery figure was higher, the recovered percentage fell from the last week in May (65.12%) to the third week in June (63.84). It was highest during the first week in June at 66.77%. This was due to the jump in new cases.

Daily new cases averaged 1,277 per day during the last week of May. They rose to 1,527 per day the first week of June, 1,839 per day the second week of June and spiked to 3,392 the third week of June.

Of course daily testing also spiked the third week in June. Average daily testing in Texas for the last week in May was 28,306. It was 26,058 and 29,707 respectively for the first two weeks in June. The third week in June, this number rose dramatically to average almost 36,000 tests per day (35,903).

Daily new cases can't really be considered without the daily testing factored in. This percentage was 6.03% the last week of May. It fell the first two weeks in June to 5.95% and

5.93% before increasing to 6.25% the third week in June. This showed an increase of .22% for the time period.

The daily active case figure averaged only 399 per day during the last week of May. It rose the first two weeks in June to 543 and 552, respectively, before spiking to 2,208 the third week of June. The high daily percentage of active cases was the last week in May at 3.48%. This percentage fell during the first two weeks of June to 3.06% and 3.14%, respectively. The third week of June didn't go as high as 3.48%, but it came close at 3.40%.

The daily hospitalization figures were very disheartening. The average daily number of all those in Texas hospitalized due to Covid-19 was 1,645 for the last week in May, rising each week to 2,912 the third week in June. The average daily new hospitalization figure rose from 35 the last week in May to 111 during the third week in June. Even the daily hospitalization percentage rose during the time period from 2.76% to 2.89% for an increase of .13%.

Good news was heard during this time period in the form of Covid-19 treatments, both for mild to moderate cases and treatment for the most severe cases.

	5-23	5-24	5-25	5-26	5-27	5-28	5-29	5-30	5-31	6-1	6-2	6-3	6-4	6-5	6-6	6-7	6-8	6-9	6-10	6-11	6-12	6-13	6-14	6-15	6-16	6-17	6-18	6-19	6-20	6-21	6-22
Counties w/Covid-19	226	226	227	228	229	229	229	230	230	230	231	231	231	235	234	234	234	235	235	236	236	237	237	238	237	237	237	239	240	240	241
Confirmed Cases	54,509	55,348	55,971	56,560	57,921	59,776	61,006	62,338	64,287	64,880	66,568	68,271	69,920	71,613	73,553	74,978	75,616	77,253	79,757	81,583	83,680	86,011	87,854	89,108	93,206	96,335	99,851	103,305	107,735	111,601	114,881
Active Cases	22,558	22,558	22,662	22,446	22,055	19,270	19,312	19,039	20,192	19,864	20,353	20,679	21,354	21,960	22,839	23,390	23,341	24,260	25,423	25,423	26,483	27,519	27,537	28,036	30,496	31,905	33,934	35,836	38,474	40,920	43,499
Fatalities	1,506	1,519	1,527	1,536	1,562	1,601	1,626	1,648	1,672	1,678	1,698	1,734	1,767	1,788	1,819	1,830	1,836	1,853	1,885	1,920	1,939	1,957	1,976	1,983	2,029	2,062	2,105	2,140	2,165	2,182	2,192
Hospitalized	1,688	1,572	1,511	1,534	1,645	1,692	1,701	1,752	1,684	1,756	1,773	1,487	1,796	1,855	1,822	1,878	1,935	2,056	2,153	2,008	2,166	2,242	2,287	2,326	2,518	2,793	2,947	3,148	3,247	3,409	3,711
Tested	870,935	870,935	906,074	906,074	961,861	989,994	1,027,449	1,054,793	1,073,491	1,093,676	1,117,274	1,150,868	1,174,948	1,209,187	1,218,955	1,255,899	1,286,139	1,302,049	1,348,893	1,348,893	1,404,369	1,442,950	1,463,851	1,499,015	1,522,434	1,560,537	1,576,925	1,622,851	1,690,124	1,715,177	1,767,701
Recovered	33,385	33,385	35,292	36,375	37,626	38,905	40,068	41,651	42,423	43,338	44,517	45,858	46,799	47,865	48,895	49,758	50,439	51,140	52,449	52,449	55,258	56,535	68,341	59,089	60,681	62,368	63,812	65,329	67,096	68,499	69,190
# Daily New Cases	1,010	839	623	589	1,361	1,855	1,230	1,332	1,949	593	1,688	1,703	1,649	1,693	1,940	1,425	638	1,637	2,504	1,826	2,097	2,331	1,843	1,254	4,098	3,129	3,516	3,454	4,430	3,866	3,280
# Daily New Active Cases	490	0	104	-216	-391	-2,785	42	-273	1,153	-328	815	326	675	606	879	551	-49	919	1,163	0	1,060	1,036	18	499	2,460	1,409	2,029	1,902	2,638	2,446	2,579
# Daily New Fatalities	26	13	9	9	26	39	25	22	24	6	20	36	33	21	31	11	6	17	32	35	19	18	19	7	46	33	43	35	15	17	10
# Daily New Hospitalizations	110	-116	-61	23	111	47	9	51	-68	72	17	-286	309	59	-33	56	57	121	97	-145	158	76	45	39	192	275	154	201	99	162	-302
# Daily New Testing	36,498	0	35,139	0	55,787	28,133	37,455	27,344	18,698	20,185	23,598	33,594	24,080	34,239	9,768	36,944	30,240	15,910	46,844	0	55,476	38,581	20,901	35,164	23,419	38,103	16,388	45,926	67,273	25,053	52,524
% Confirmed of those Tested	6.25	6.35	6.17	6.24	6.02	6.03	5.93	5.90	5.98	5.93	5.95	5.93	5.95	5.92	6.03	5.97	5.87	5.93	5.91	6.04**	5.95	5.96	6.00	5.94	6.12	6.17	6.33	6.36	6.37	6.50	6.49
% Active	4.13	4.07	4.04	4.04	3.96	3.80	3.22	3.16	3.05	3.14	3.06	3.05	3.02	3.05	3.06	3.10	3.11	3.06	3.16	3.18	3.11	3.16	3.19	3.13	3.14	3.27	3.31	3.39	3.46	3.57	3.66
% Hospitalized	3.09	2.84	2.69	2.71	2.84	2.83	2.78	2.81	2.61	2.70	2.66	2.17	2.56	2.59	2.47	2.50	2.55	2.66	2.69	2.46	3.16	2.60	2.60	2.61	2.70	2.89	2.95	3.04	3.01	3.05	3.23
% Fatal	2.76	2.74	2.72	2.71	2.69	2.67	2.66	2.64	2.60	2.58	2.55	2.53	2.52	2.49	2.47	2.44	2.42	2.39	2.36	2.35	2.31	2.27	2.24	2.22	2.70	2.14	2.10	2.07	2.00	1.95	1.90
% Recovered	61.24	60.31	63.05	64.31	64.96	65.08	65.67	66.81	65.99	66.79	66.87	67.17	66.93	66.83	66.47	66.36	66.70	66.19	65.76	64.28**	66.03	65.72	66.40	66.31	65.10	64.74	63.90	63.23	62.27	61.37	60.22