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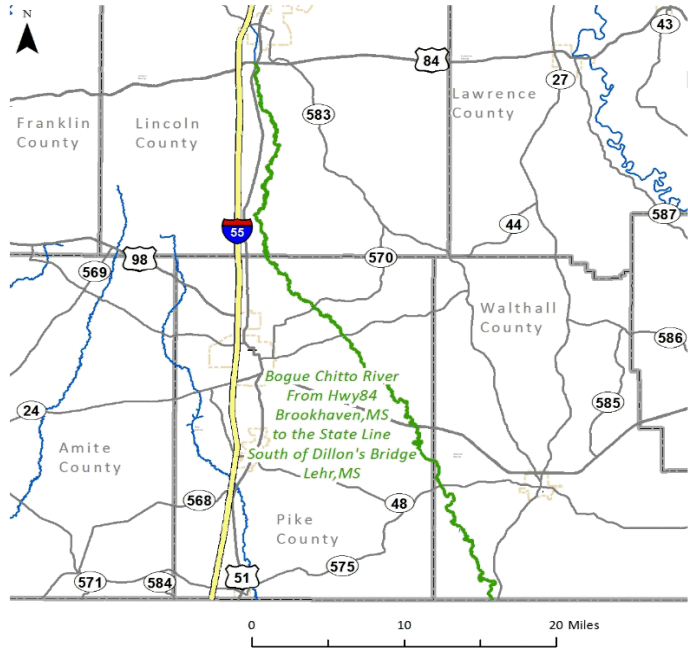
(JACKSON, Miss.) – The Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) lifted a water contact advisory Friday that had been issued September 16 for a segment of the Bogue Chitto River.

The advisory extended from Highway 84 in Brookhaven to the Mississippi-Louisiana stateline south of Dillon's Bridge near the community of Lehr (see attached map).

MDEQ advises that people can now engage in water contact such as swimming or wading and can consume fish or anything else taken from these waters. Water samples taken during the past week returned results below the levels of concern.

The advisory was issued due to a breach in the City of Brookhaven's levee at the city's wastewater treatment plant. The breach resulted in the discharge of approximately 1.3 million gallons of stormwater-diluted sewage to the river.

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