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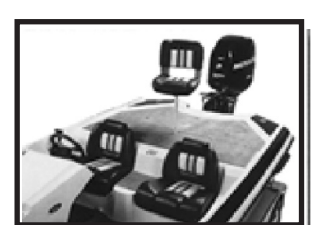
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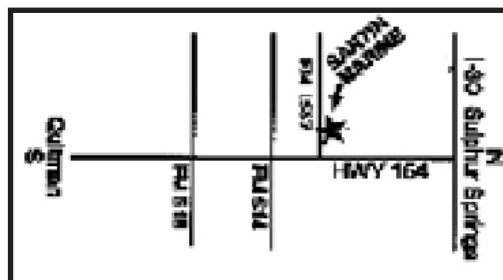


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By Dean Stroman

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After the stress of spawning, bass are hungry and aggressive. Post spawn bass will hit a wide variety of lures during feeding time. May is top water time and the top water bite will

be best at daybreak and dusk. Start the day early, right before sunrise. The top water bite will last only a short time. When the sun pops up the top water bite is over and will not pick up again until dusk. The exception is overcast days when the bite can be good all day long. Pop baits in shad and frog patterns and buzz baits in white or chartreuse will produce. Location is the key for really great top water action. Main lake secondary points are some great locations to start. When the top water bite slows, plastic creature-type baits and swim baits will produce in the same shallow water areas. Don't forget that frog baits can be your ticket to successful fishing.

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slows, switch to deep water structure. Humps, ridges, roadbeds and long extending main lake points in twenty to thirty foot depths will produce. Look for the schools of shad. When you find schools of bait on this type of structure the bass will not be far behind. Deep running swim baits ½ to 1 ounce size, Alabama rigs, or Carolina-rigged plastics are top lure choices for these deep water bass.

The night bite has some of the best action of the year. Some of the best night fishing will be around the mouths of major creeks. With Fork finally being at normal pool, it can be hazardous for old-timers as well as first time visitors. There are a lot of areas that look like they are open and clean running, but are not. Remember to use caution, even in marked boat lanes. With new flooded timber there are some big floating logs cruising boat lanes.

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Game Warden Field Notes

The following items are compiled from recent Texas Parks and Wildlife Department law enforcement reports.

—Honey, I'm Home...and so is Your Uncle— Two Nacogdoches County game wardens noticed an individual cleaning a deer in his garage. The deer was not tagged. When questioned, the subject claimed he had taken the tag off and placed it in his wallet to prevent losing it. The subject then said that his wife had taken his wallet to purchase ice. Once the man's wife returned, a brief interview was conducted, and it was determined that she had shot the deer without a hunting license. During the interview, the husband's uncle arrived and told the wardens he had shot a doe earlier. The uncle claimed that his hunting license was at his house with the deer, but it was determined that he did not have a hunting license. The deer meat was donated, and citations were issued for antler restrictions and criminal trespassing. Cases and restitution pending.

—Shoe's Clues— A Zavala County landowner called his local game warden to express concern about a burglary that occurred on a neighboring ranch several days earlier. When the warden arrived at the ranch, he found tire tracks and shoe prints leading to a ranch several miles away. The vehicle tracks and shoe prints matched those detected at the burglary scene. The investigation led to a suspect who provided the warden with a verbal and written statement regard-

ing his involvement. The suspect also gave consent to search his residence. There, the warden found various amounts of heroin and cocaine. The individual was turned over to Zavala County Sheriff's Department with first and second degree felony charges pending. In addition, three other burglaries were cleared due to this suspect's arrest. All stolen items were recovered.

—Duck, Duck, Goose— A Titus County game warden responded to a trespassing complaint claiming someone was shooting Canada geese and leaving them to waste near Naples in Morris County. The only suspect was a juvenile seen at the private lake the night before. The warden located the suspect, who happened to be driving without a license and pulling a trailer with a large hog in it. He claimed he had been hunting all morning with four of his friends. After verifying the story, the warden issued four citations for hunting without licenses, two citations for no Hunter Education certification and a warning for driving without a driver's license. Later that evening, the juvenile contacted the warden and gave the names of the two juveniles who shot the geese. When the warden contacted the juveniles' parents, he learned they had later returned to Naples and trespassed to retrieve a goose, but they still had not cleaned the goose 15 hours after they shot it. The warden issued citations and civil restitution.

—Suspicious Friends— A Henderson County game

warden received a call from the Chandler Police Department stating a caller witnessed a person run over a whitetailed doe in a neighborhood, and then threw the deer carcass in the bed of his truck and sped off. Another caller informed the warden he had seen a doe in the bed of a truck with only the hindquarters missing. The warden found the truck with the doe in the bed and noted that the doe had been shot in the head. After questioning the homeowners where the truck was found, the warden realized they had no clue how the doe got in the bed of their truck, though they did say a friend of theirs had stopped by late the previous night and then left in a hurry, which they thought was suspicious. Their description of their friend's truck matched the description of the truck the first caller had given the warden. Later that month, a local constable called the warden to tell him about a truck that matched the one he was looking for. When the warden interviewed the truck owner, the owner admitted to running over the doe for "free meat."

—Looking for a Dime but Found a Quarter— A Zavala County game warden walked into a dark camp one night and found an 11-point buck hanging from a skinning rack and a doe strapped over an ATV, both untagged. One of the hunters at the camp admitted to not purchasing a valid Texas hunting license. The warden noticed the hunter acting overly nervous and

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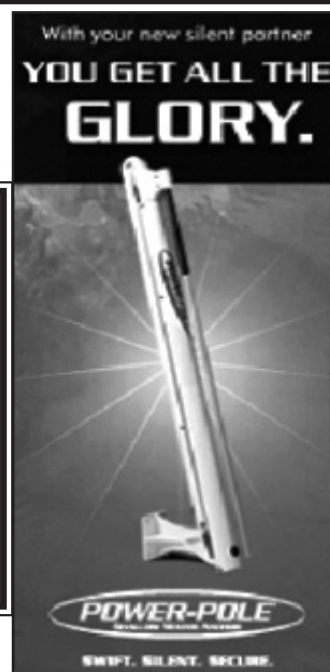
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after a brief search of the hunter's ATV, the warden found a small container of marijuana and a pipe, as well as a meth pipe and a baggie of crystal meth. Both deer were seized and the hunter was taken to the Zavala County jail and booked for misdemeanor and felony charges.

—Day Drinking— A ranch manager in Dimmit County asked a local game warden to investigate a photo taken from a game camera of a pickup truck driving around a hunting area. The manager was concerned that the person in the truck was an oilfield worker on an adjacent ranch possibly poaching. After running the license plate and comparing the return to a list of the oilfield workers on the rig, the warden found a match. While interview-

ing the man in the photo, the man stated he had never hunted before and didn't even own a gun. He maintained he was just driving around and looking at wildlife while drinking a few beers during his time off. The warden asked the worker for consent to search the vehicle for any possible evidence of poaching to further corroborate his story, to which the worker agreed. The warden also asked the worker if there was anything in the vehicle that he needed to know about prior to searching, to which the worker answered no. Almost immediately, the warden discovered drug paraphernalia and several empty beer bottles in the truck, as well as several full beers in an ice chest. Ultimately, no evidence of poaching was found but the worker was cited

for the paraphernalia and trespassing on prohibited areas of the ranch.

—A Warden Never Sleeps— A little after midnight, a Potter County game warden was at his residence when he heard a strange crushing sound outside and got up to investigate. Looking out his apartment window, he observed a man methodically break through the drive-thru window and entering the closed convenience store across the street. The warden quickly got dressed, armed himself and coordinated with Amarillo Police via 911 as he approached the store. The subject, a 55-year-old man, was taken into custody a short time later by the Amarillo Police Department. The man confessed to five similar burglaries in the Amarillo area over the last few months.

—The Pink (Pajama) Panther— A game warden was patrolling around Belton when he heard a call about a suspicious person wearing pink pajamas, house slippers and a black hoodie walking around and looking into vehicles near downtown Belton. The warden responded to the area to assist the Belton Police Department

in locating the suspect. One of the other officers located the suspect, who took off running on foot. Then the warden and a Belton officer observed the suspect, a slender male wearing pajamas, house shoes and a black hoodie, walking out from behind a home. The officers detained the suspect for questioning and discovered that he was

intoxicated and had broken into several vehicles in the area. Belton police arrested the suspect for public intoxication and are investigating him for his connection to the burglary of the vehicles.

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By Sue Hampton

There's a growing interest in the idea of cooking seasonally, making the most of delicious fruits and vegetables when these foods are freshest and most flavorful.

While you can get most foods throughout the year, paying attention to the growing season can pay a flavor dividend.

For example, although you can find asparagus in your grocery store year-round, fresh asparagus is re-

ally in season in the U.S. from April to June. In the winter, it comes from places such as Chile.

Rather than the caloric, butter-laden pasta dishes of the past, this dish features fresh asparagus, snap peas, lemon juice, basil, feta cheese, sautéed red onions and mushrooms and linguine of your choice.

The dish is rich in lemony flavor, with the fresh-cut basil and snap peas adding a nicely complex flavor and crunchiness. The combination of flavors is very Mediterranean and the ingredients are light so you don't feel too full after eating it.

Asparagus & Lemon Linguine (with shrimp)

1 lb. linguine (whole wheat or regular)
1 Tbsp. olive oil
1 lb. fresh asparagus

2 cloves fresh garlic, chopped

½ red onion, sliced

1 cup mushrooms, sliced

1 cup snap peas

1-2 Tbsp. fresh basil, thinly sliced

1-2 Tbsp. olive oil

1 lb. shrimp (peeled & deveined)

Crushed red chilies (to taste)

1 Tbsp. white wine (optional)

¼ cup chicken or vegetables stock

1 Tbsp. balsamic vinegar

Kosher salt (to taste)

½ fresh lemon, juiced

4 Tbsp. crumbled feta cheese

Cook pasta according to package directions. Rinse in cold water; drain, then toss with 1 Tbsp. oil and set aside.

Cut bottom 1/3 of asparagus stalks off and dis-

card. Blanch in boiling water for 1 minute, then place in cold water to stop the cooking. Drain, then cut in half and set aside.

Put garlic, onion, mushrooms, snap peas and basil in separate small bowls; set aside.

Heat 14-inch sauté pan over medium heat. Allow the pan to get hot before adding 1-2 Tbsp. oil. Add garlic, red onion and mushrooms; cook until slightly browned. Add shrimp and chilies. Add the noodles and stir, combining ingredients. Deglaze the pan with the white wine, then add the stock. When the noodles begin to sizzle a bit, add the balsamic vinegar, snap peas, asparagus, basil and salt; stir. The entire process

will only take a few minutes. Once removed from the heat, stir in lemon juice. Place onto platter and top with feta.



The vivid green colors of this dish reinforce its fresh appeal with feta and red onions thrown in for some additional color. 'Happy Mother's Day!'

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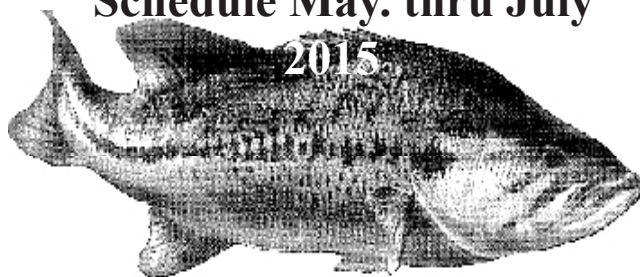


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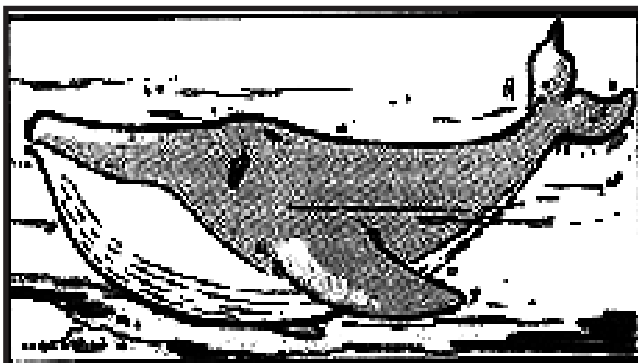
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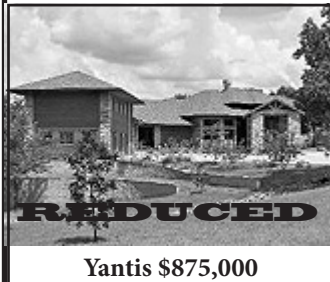


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Yantis \$875,000

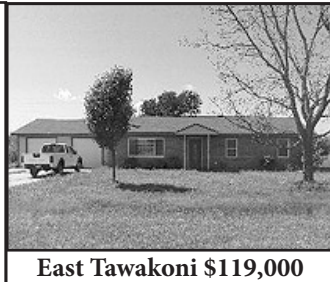
UNIQUE ONE-OF-A-KIND Custom Lake Fork Home! Professionally designed and decorated. Efficient cooling & heating with 21' ceilings. Italian tile, bamboo wood flooring & granite counters. 2 stall boat house w/2 electric lifts. Insecticide System covering entire home, garage, patio and boathouse. Furnishings are negotiable. View Virtual Tour link www.lakeforkwaterfront.net



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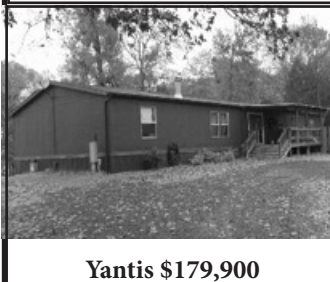
Yantis \$269,900

WATERFRONT CUSTOM BUILT home located on 1.25 acre lot + 2.25 acres of leaseback on one of the best fishing areas on Lake Fork. This subdivision is restricted and secluded but has no HOA. Home features ceramic tile, carpet in bedrooms, corner stacked stoned wbf, crown molding and stainless appliances. Screened 9x19 back porch & 30x50 workshop.



East Tawakoni \$119,000

LOCATED NEAR LAKE TAWAKONI with Rains County Schools. Totally updated brick home with 3-4 bedroom or office with 2 bath and two living areas. Home has new flooring, fresh paint, triple paned windows, radiant barrier and a wood burning stove. This would be a great first time buyers home.



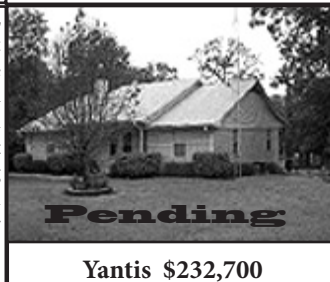
Yantis \$179,900

A RARE WATERFRONT FIND on Lake Fork! Built in 2008, this 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath home sits high on a hill with an awesome view of Lake Fork! This home is in like new condition with a detached over sized garage, fishing pier, privacy fence & lighted flag pole. Sitting on the banks of Birch Creek, one of the best fishing areas on Lake Fork. Move in ready in every way!



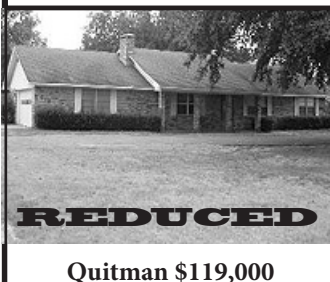
Point \$159,900

BUYER PICKS NEW GRANITE kitchen counter tops to be installed at sellers expense! Custom built home features brick, hardy board & metal roof, Rectified Porcelain Tile with inlay design in living room, carpet in master bedroom, wood flooring in other bedrooms, office & walk-in master closet, walk-in master shower w/copper colored tile design & a partially covered deck.



Yantis \$232,700

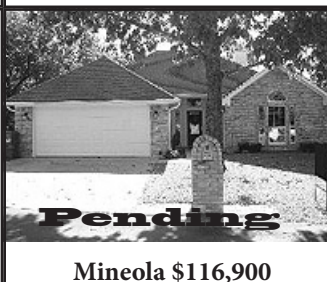
UNRESTRICTED LAKE FORK HOME 4 bdrms., 2 baths, and bonus basement room. Features wood flooring throughout with carpet in master bdrm. 8'x53' back porch overlooking lake. Security & sprinkler system, boat house with lift & private boat ramp with 747' of water frontage on Lake Fork. 18'x40' RV awning carport and a 672 sqft metal shop bldg.



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Quitman \$119,000

WALKING DISTANCE TO SCHOOL Deep well to water the yard to beat those high city water bills, city water & sewer to house. Gorgeous hardwood floors, ceramic tile in kitchen, bathrooms & utility. Large backyard with privacy fence, 12x12 storage building & covered patio. Garage for a Big Bass Boat & workshop area.



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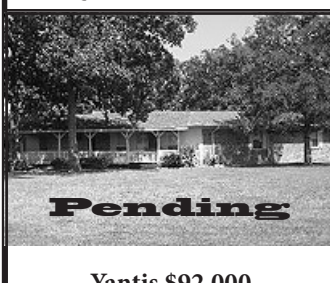
Mineola \$116,900

WALKING DISTANCE TO LAKE HOLBROOK and less than 5 minutes to a boat ramp to Lake Holbrook. This brick custom home features 4 bedrooms, 10' ceilings in the living area and 13' ceilings in the master! Tile in kitchen and bathrooms, laminate wood flooring, ceiling fans, brick wood burning fireplace and a huge 38' x 9' back deck. Appliances convey to buyer!



Yantis \$49,700

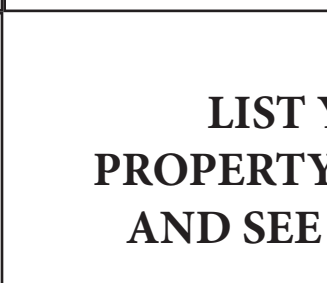
LOCATED IN SUN EAGLE BAY subdivision. Four lots with RV & small home with outdoor kitchen and plenty of covered boat parking. Home has laminate wood floors, carpet, and ceramic tile. There is community boat ramp on World Famous Lake Fork & a community swimming pool. This would make a great weekend place for the whole family and your friends.



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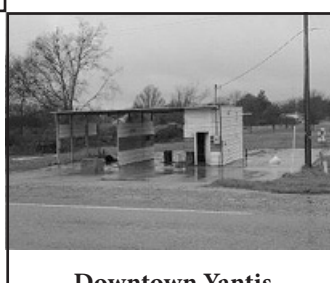
Yantis \$92,000

3 BEDROOM BRICK HOME located in area of very nice upscale homes. There is a 30x42 shop building out back, a carport in front, covered front and back porches and Lake Fork across the street. Home has a brick wood burning fireplace, lots of cabinet & counter space in kitchen with built-ins and all electric appliances. This home is very neat and clean.



Yantis \$42,900

NO ZONING, CODES OR RESTRICTIONS AND all City utilities!! This 1 bedroom 1 bath is the perfect fisherman's hideaway or would be a great place to downsize & retire. Walking distance to town, schools and quick access to Sulphur Springs & I-30 and 5 minutes or less from boat ramp to World Famous Lake Fork.



Downtown Yantis

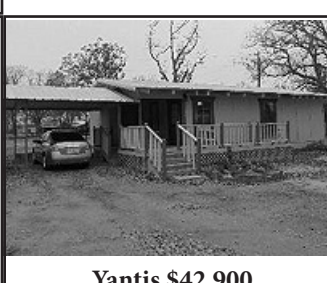
CAR WASH ON ONE ACRE in downtown Yantis. Located on Highway 154 gives great exposure and is on a one acre corner lot. This is a non working, two stall car wash but has city water and city sewer. Great road frontage for someone who could fix it up, use the land for your business or build your new home. Call for more info!



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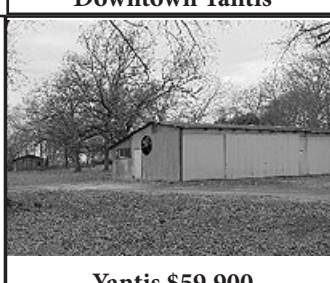
Yantis \$62,500

HOME IN GREAT LOCATION! This three bedroom home with attached carport and fenced backyard is in downtown Yantis. Let your kids walk to schools just across the street and with Lake Fork boat ramp just five minutes away you are close to your weekend fishing getaway. CALL TODAY FOR MORE INFORMATION.



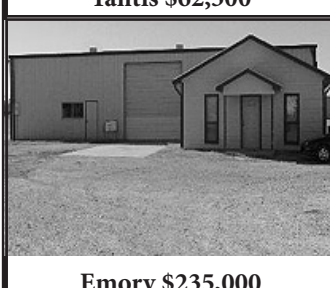
Yantis \$59,900

4 ACRES IN YANTIS on Hwy 154. Property is partially fenced and has all city utilities and sewer. There are two workshop buildings in front plus a barn and a corral in the back of the property with an open pasture area. Just minutes from Lake Fork public boat ramp. This property would give great highway exposure to any business.



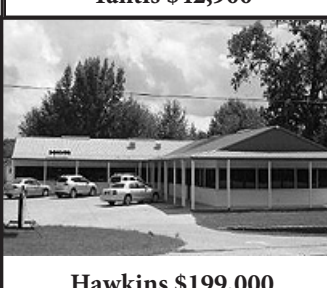
Yantis \$59,900

90x40 OFFICE BUILDING with nice entry. Kitchen/break room with 3 offices and large work area. Overhead door at rear and door at side. Two updated HVAC units, commercial phone system in place. Plenty of parking plus a full acre of land to expand if needed.



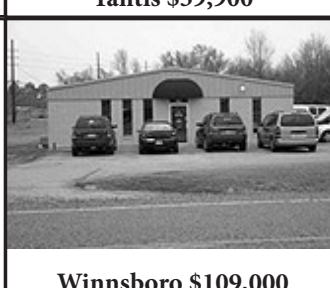
Emory \$235,000

COMMERCIAL PROPERTY ON HWY 515 between Emory & Lake Fork. This 4,400 sq ft. shop building has all the electric you need for shop equipment. There is 672 sq. ft. of office space with kitchen area. Gravel parking lot on 4.8 Acres. Possible owners financing with approved credit & 20% down.



Hawkins \$199,000

LOCATED IN HOLLY LAKE RANCH AREA - This 4 unit property is in a high traffic area, any business will get serious highway exposure. Property has great income potential. One unit is currently rented, 3 others are available. No restrictions or zoning. MOTIVATED SELLER with reasonable offers!



Winnsboro \$109,000

A GREAT FIND ON LAKE FORK Established RV park with a long waiting list for RV lots. There are currently 39 RV lots & 13-16 acres of leaseback to expand the RV park. 4 septic systems with room for 30 additional RV sites on current septic systems. Property includes a water well for RV park with a 35 gpm pump, 2011 manufactured home, a deep water boat ramp & a sass frass log guest house that is not yet completed inside. This is a rare opportunity & rare find on Lake Fork! Yantis \$549,900

RARE 50 ACRE TRACT OF LAND
Property sits outside Quitman city limits & features some of the best views anywhere in Wood County. Property has been planted with rye grass, fescue, millet & other mixtures. Underbrush has been cleared, no trash piles or dump sites. Tons of deer! Super clean property with dogwood, wild plum, persimmon, huge post oaks, red oaks, black walnut, pines, tickle tongue & cedar trees. This is one of those properties you have to see to believe! **QUITMAN \$219,900**

WATERFRONT PARK MODEL RV AT LAKE FORK
Immaculate condition with an attached covered deck **\$20,000**
LAKE FORK WATER FRONT & OFF-WATER LOTS
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