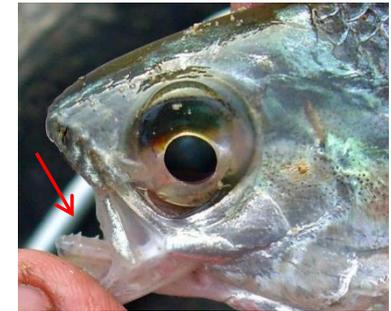
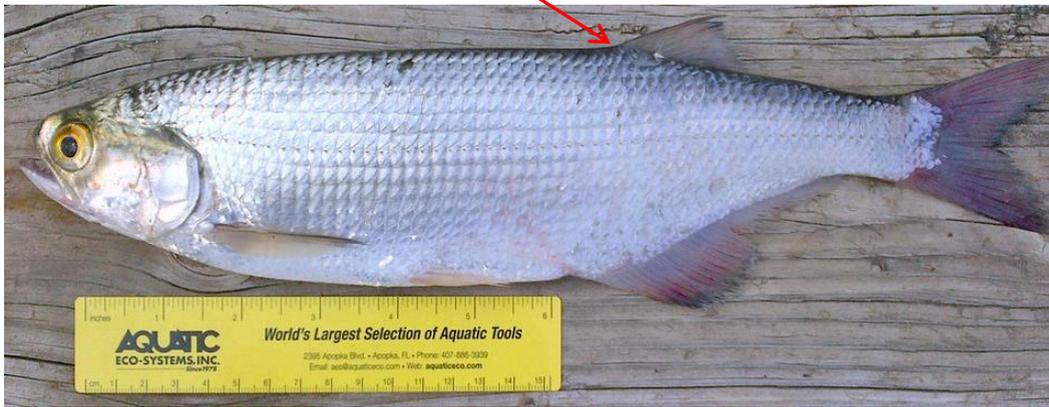


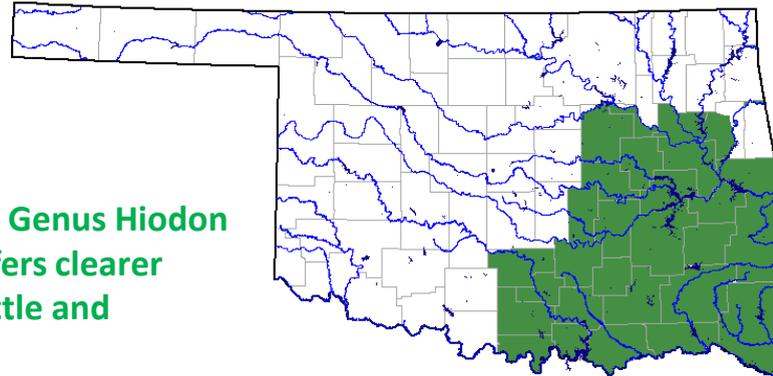
The Hiodon's (Toothed Tongues)



Goldeye and Mooneye



- Goldeye (top right) and Mooneye (bottom right) are both attractive, bright, silvery fish, which at first glance, can resemble shad. They lack a black spot behind their gill flap and have a much wider gape with their mouth situated at the end of their snout. The dorsal fin is also located closer to the tail than the head.
- Both species have well-defined teeth on their tongues and jaws. The two species closely resemble each other, but mooneye have a much smaller range in Oklahoma and are encountered less frequently.
- They readily take small jigs and spinners and are often caught in the spring and early summer.



Fish Fact: Goldeye and mooneye belong to the Genus *Hiodon* meaning “toothed tongue.” The mooneye prefers clearer water, and in Oklahoma, is restricted to the Little and Mountain Fork Rivers of McCurtain County.