

**ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME  
DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES  
NEWS RELEASE**



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**Togiak Herring  
Announcement 2**

This is the Alaska Department of Fish & Game in Dillingham with an announcement regarding the Togiak herring fishery.

Department staff flew an aerial survey of the Togiak District today, May 14. Weather conditions were excellent and the water was clear. Staff surveyed from Cape Constantine to Asigyukpak (Oosik) Spit. Herring were observed throughout the district with fish entering along Cape Constantine and Hagemester Strait. There was some spawn observed in Metervik, Ungalikthluk and Rocky Bays. A total biomass of 42,000 tons was observed with scattered schools throughout the district and some fish aggregating in Togiak Bay.

Commercial fishing with gillnets will open at 6:00 p.m. today May 14, until further notice. The open area is the Egg Island section. Commercial fishing with purse seines will be allowed for 76 hours from 6:00 p.m. May 14 until 10:00 p.m. May 17. The open area will be from Togiak Reef at 160° 30.10' west longitude to the longitude of Cape Newenham at 162° 10.50' west longitude and in the area from the longitude of Right Hand Point at 159° 55.00' west longitude to the longitude of Anchor Point at 160° 19.70' west longitude. Participants are reminded that Ungalikthluk Bay is closed by regulation.

Fishermen are reminded that there has been no test fishing yet and we suggest testing before gear is fully deployed.

This has been the Alaska Department of Fish and Game in Dillingham.

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