



Advisory Announcement

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2022 KETCHIKAN HERRING FISHERY UPDATE # 2

An aerial survey was conducted in the Revilla Channel area and a skiff survey was conducted in the Craig area today.

Craig

A skiff survey was conducted throughout the Craig/Klawock area today. The weather was excellent with sunny skies and calm winds. Predator activity diminished in the immediate vicinity of Fish Egg and lower Wadleigh Islands. Thirty humpback whales were observed throughout the Craig/Klawock area with the largest concentration just south of San Christoval Channel. There are approximately 60 pound structures on the grounds. No herring have been introduced into pounds. ADF&G biologists are on the grounds in the Craig/Klawock area and will be conducting daily skiff surveys.

The fishery opened for placement of herring into pounds at 12:00 noon on Thursday, March 17.

2022 Craig/Klawock Herring Summary

March 19, 2022 Limited predator activity.
March 26, 2022 Increased predator activity.

Revilla Channel

Today's aerial survey covered Mary Island, and the Cat and Dog Island area. Weather conditions were excellent with mostly sunny skies, light wind, and excellent visibility. **4.0 nautical miles (nmi) of active spawn** was observed along the western shore of Cat, Village, and Double Islands, and the northern and western shore of Dog Island.

2022 Revilla Channel Herring Summary

March 22, 2022 Moderate predator activity.
March 26, 2022 1.8 nmi of spawn on Dog and Double Islands.
March 27, 2022 5.8 nmi of spawn on Cat, Dog, Double, and Village Islands.
March 28, 2022 4.0 nmi of spawn on Cat, Dog, Double, and Village Islands.

The next scheduled aerial survey of Revilla Channel is planned for **Tuesday, March 29**. Fishery updates will be released after aerial surveys are completed for the day.

All aerial herring survey data can be reviewed online, including spawn lines and photos, in an interactive map application found at: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.herring#maps> or scan:



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