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2022/23 SOUTHEAST ALASKA HERRING WINTER FOOD AND BAIT FISHERY

The winter food and bait herring fishery in Section 3-B and District 4 (Craig/Klawock) will close by regulation at 11:59 p.m., Tuesday, February 28, 2023.

The fishery opened to the commercial harvest of herring at 12:01 a.m., Saturday, October 1, 2022. The fishery is ongoing, and the final harvest will not be known for several days but will be significantly less than the guideline harvest level of 4,656 tons. The unharvested portion will be allocated to the 2023 Craig/Klawock spawn-on-kelp pound fishery. An advisory announcement will be issued in early March detailing the 2023 Craig/Klawock spawn-on-kelp fishery and the final 2022/23 winter bait harvest. The initial allocation for the spawn-on-kelp pound fishery of 3,105 tons will allow for the maximum allocation of kelp blades per permit holder.

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