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KETCHIKAN HERRING FISHERY UPDATE #5

Revilla Channel

An aerial survey was conducted today. No herring spawn was observed. Weather was clear with light winds. Predators were seen on the east shore of Annette Island. No herring or predators were seen in state waters.

Craig/Klawock

An aerial survey was conducted today. No herring spawn was observed. Weather was overcast with light winds. Large numbers of predators were seen throughout the area. Numerous whales were observed throughout San Alberto Bay. Herring have moved into the herring pounding area and active commercial fishing was observed. There are approximately 70 pounds on the grounds not including tow pens and structures with no webbing. Herring have been introduced into several pound structures.

West Behm Canal

No Survey.

The next aerial survey is planned for Monday, March 31.

2014 Ketchikan Herring Summary

Revilla Channel	
March 20, 2014	No herring activity observed. Very little predator activity.
March 25, 2014	No spawn observed. Predator activity has increased on east shore of Annette Island.
March 30, 2014	No spawn observed. Predator activity is present on the east shore of Annette Island.
Craig	
March 20, 2014	No herring activity observed. Numerous predators in the Craig area.
March 26, 2014	No Spawn. Numerous predators in the Craig area. Commercial
	fishing activities were observed.
March 27, 2014	No Spawn. Large numbers of predators in the Craig area.
	Commercial fishing activities continue.
March 28&29, 2014	No Spawn. Large numbers of predators in the Craig area.
March 30, 2014	No Spawn. Large numbers of predators in the Craig area.
	Commercial fishing activity was observed.
West Behm Canal	
April 2, 2014	First scheduled aerial survey

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