# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES FISHERY UPDATE



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## **KETCHIKAN HERRING FISHERY UPDATE #18**

#### **Revilla Channel**

An aerial survey was conducted today. A small spot spawn was observed on Mary Island. No other herring spawn was observed. Weather was overcast with light winds. Small numbers of predators were seen on the east shore of Annette Island. No other herring or predators were seen in state waters.

#### Craig/Klawock

No additional surveys are planned for the Craig area.

#### West Behm Canal

An aerial survey was conducted today. **2.5 miles of herring spawn was observed**. Spawn was observed in Clover Pass. No spawn or herring activity was observed on the Cleveland Peninsula. Weather was overcast with light winds. Predators and herring continue to be observed in Clover Pass.

#### The next aerial survey is planned for Tuesday, April 15.

# 2014 Ketchikan Herring Summary

| <b>Revilla Channel</b> |                                                              |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| March 20, 2014         | No herring activity observed. Very little predator activity. |
| March 25, 2014         | No spawn. Predator activity has increased.                   |
| March 30, 2014         | No spawn. Predator activity on the shore of Annette Island.  |
| April 2, 2014          | No spawn. Gillnet fishing observed in Annette Island waters. |
| April 3, 2014          | No spawn. Gillnet fishing observed in Annette Island waters. |
| April 4, 2014          | No spawn. Gillnet fishing observed in Annette Island waters. |
| April 6, 2014          | No spawn.                                                    |
| April 8, 2014          | No spawn.                                                    |
| April 10, 2014         | No spawn.                                                    |
| April 12, 2014         | No spawn.                                                    |
| April 14, 2014         | Spot spawn on Mary Island.                                   |

# Craig

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|----------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|
| March 20, 2014 | No herring activity. Numerous predators.                        |
| March 26, 2014 | No Spawn. Numerous predators. Fishing activity.                 |
| March 27, 2014 | No Spawn. Large numbers of predators. Fishing activity.         |
| March 28&29    | No Spawn. Large numbers of predators.                           |
| March 30, 2014 | No Spawn. Large numbers of predators. Fishing activity.         |
| March 31, 2014 | No Spawn. Large numbers of predators. Fishing activity.         |
| April 1, 2014  | 2 nmi. Spawn. Numerous predators. Most pounds filled.           |
| April 2, 2014  | <b>3.6 nmi. Spawn</b> . Large numbers of predators and herring. |
| April 3, 2014  | 8 nmi. Spawn. Large numbers of predators and herring.           |
| April 4, 2014  | 11.4 nmi. Spawn. Many predators and herring.                    |
| April 5, 2014  | Spot Spawn on Abbess Island. Spawning appears to be over.       |
| April 6, 2014  | No spawn. Final survey.                                         |
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## West Behm Canal

| April 3, 2014  | No herring or predator activity observed.                |
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| April 8, 2014  | No herring and very little predator activity observed.   |
| April 10, 2014 | 1/8 nmi. Spawn. Predator numbers have increased.         |
| April 11, 2014 | No Spawn. Predators and fish have increased.             |
| April 12, 2014 | 2 nmi. Spawn. Predators and fish throughout Clover Pass. |
| April 13, 2014 | 3 nmi. Spawn. Predators and fish throughout Clover Pass. |
| April 14, 2014 | 2 nmi. Spawn. Predators and fish throughout Clover Pass. |

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