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



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CRAIG HERRING UPDATE 2017 # 2

Yesterday, March 21, aerial and skiff surveys were conducted in the Craig area. Weather was clear with light winds. ADF&G personnel are on the grounds and will be monitoring the fishery on a daily basis throughout the Craig spawning event.

No spawn was observed. Large numbers of sea lions and whales were observed around the Alberto and Abbess Islands. Moderate numbers of sea lions were observed around Fish Egg Island, Clam Island, and Klawock Reef. 23 pound structures were observed on the fishing grounds and our current estimate is that 16 will be fished.

The department would like to remind fishermen that all pounds including structures and floats used in the support of the fishery must be plainly and legibly marked according to 5 AAC 27.185 (K)(1) and (2).

The next scheduled aerial survey is planned for Friday, March 24.

2017 Ketchikan Herring Summary

Craig

March 17, 2017	Little herring activity in the Craig area.
March 21, 2017	No spawn. Large numbers of predators in the Craig area.

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