



Advisory Announcement
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2021 KETCHIKAN HERRING FISHERY UPDATE # 1

An aerial survey was conducted on March 18 in the Revilla Channel area and a skiff survey was conducted in Craig. Weather was high overcast with calm winds.

Craig

No herring spawn was observed during the March 18 skiff survey. There was very little predator activity observed throughout the area with one whale seen near Fern Point on East San Fernando Island. Weather prevented an aerial survey today.

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

2021 Craig/Klawock Herring Summary

March 18, 2021 Limited predator activity.

Revilla Channel

The area surveyed included Mary, Cat, Dog, and Duke Islands, and the mainland shoreline from Foggy Point to Kah Shakes Cove. There was no predator activity observed in state waters.

2021 Revilla Channel Herring Summary

March 18, 2021 No predator activity.

The next scheduled aerial survey is planned for **Tuesday, March 23**. Fishery updates will be released after aerial surveys are completed for the day.

Under Alaska's Health Advisories 1, 2, 3, and 4, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Advisories. COVID-19 Health Advisories may be found here: <https://covid19.alaska.gov/health-advisories/>.

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