



**Advisory Announcement**  
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**2022 KETCHIKAN HERRING FISHERY UPDATE # 5**

An aerial survey was conducted in the Revilla Channel and Craig area today.

**Craig**

Today's aerial survey covered the entire Craig area from Trocadero Bay to San Christoval Channel and Portillo Channel to Point Amargura. Weather conditions were good with high broken clouds, light wind, and excellent visibility. No herring spawn was observed. One small school of herring was seen on the surface in Craig harbor just north of the fuel dock. Predator activity is concentrated from the south end of Fish Egg Island to the Witnesses with the largest concentration of whales between Fish Egg Island and Klawock Reef. The largest concentration of sea lions was on both the south and north end of Fish Egg Island. Scattered pods of sea lions were also observed in Portillo Channel and near Blanquizar Point. There are approximately 65 pound structures on the grounds. No herring have been introduced into pounds.

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

2022 Craig/Klawock Daily Herring Aerial Summary

- March 19, 2022 Limited predator activity.
- March 26, 2022 Increased predator activity.
- March 31, 2022 Significant predator activity around Fish Egg and Abbess Islands and Klawock Reef.

**Revilla Channel**

Today's aerial survey covered Mary, Cat, Dog, and Duck Islands. Weather conditions were excellent with high broken clouds, no wind, and excellent visibility. No herring or herring spawn was observed. No predator activity was observed in the area. The cumulative herring spawn observed in state waters in Revilla Channel is 6.5 nautical miles (nmi).

2022 Revilla Channel Daily Herring Aerial Summary

- March 22, 2022 Moderate predator activity.
- March 26, 2022 1.8 nmi of spawn on Dog and Double Islands.
- March 27, 2022 5.8 nmi of spawn on Cat, Dog, Double, and Village Islands.
- March 28, 2022 4.0 nmi of spawn on Cat, Dog, Double, and Village Islands.
- March 29, 2022 1.3 nmi of spawn on Dog and Village Islands.
- March 30, 2022 No spawn. Limited predator activity.
- March 31, 2022 No activity.

The next scheduled aerial survey is planned for **Saturday, April 2**. Fishery updates will be released after aerial surveys are completed for the day.

All aerial herring survey data can be reviewed online, including spawn lines and photos, in an interactive map application found at: <https://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.herring#maps> or scan:



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