



**Advisory Announcement**  
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**2022 KETCHIKAN HERRING FISHERY UPDATE # 7**

**Craig**

Today's skiff survey covered the area from Fish Egg Island to Blanquital Point. Weather conditions were marginal with increasing westerly winds and squalls as the day progressed. No herring spawn was observed. Predator activity is still dispersed through the Craig/Klawock area with the largest concentration of both sea lions and whales between Fish Egg, Clam, and Wadleigh Islands. Schools of herring were leading the beach on the southwest side of Fish Egg Island. Large biomasses of herring were observed between Fish Egg Island, Clam Island, and Entrance Point and in the deeper waters to the east of the Witness Rocks. 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.  
April 4, 2022 Significant predator activity around Fish Egg, Clam, and Wadleigh Islands.

**Revilla Channel**

The cumulative herring spawn observed in state waters in Revilla Channel is 6.6 nautical miles (nmi). The *R/V Kestrel* is scheduled to conduct a herring spawn deposition dive survey on Saturday, April 9.

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.  
April 4, 2022 No activity.

It is unlikely an aerial survey will be conducted on Wednesday, April 6. The next scheduled aerial survey is planned for **Thursday, April 7**. 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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