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SITKA SOUND HERRING FISHERY UPDATE # 18

Today's aerial survey covered Sitka Sound from Crawfish Inlet to Salisbury Sound and Hayward Strait. No herring schools were visible from the air today. Approximately 1.0 nautical mile (nmi) of herring spawn was observed in St. John Baptist Bay, Redoubt Bay, and near Dorothy Narrows.

Approximately 350 tons of herring were harvested in the fishery that occurred on April 3. Since March 22, an estimated 13,342 tons of herring have been harvested.

The Sitka Sound herring sac roe fishery is open from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. daily, in the waters of Salisbury Sound, St. John Baptist Bay, and Sukoi Inlet north of 57°16.40' N lat, south of the latitude of Point Kakul at 57°21.75' N lat, and east of 135°45.90' W long, in the waters of Deep Inlet, Aleutkina Bay, and contiguous waters south of 57°00.81' N lat and east of 135°21.93' W long, and in the waters within 3 nmi from the Baranof Island shoreline south of the latitude of Povorotni Point at 56°57.13' N lat and north of 56°41.75' N lat, (near Aspid Cape) except for the waters of Whale and Necker Bays until closed by field or advisory announcement. Fishing boundaries and open times may be modified by subsequent announcement.

The next aerial survey and fishery update are scheduled for Friday, April 5.

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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