Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Colorado River — Parker Strip (AZ) area

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Arizona
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Mountain Standard Time · Largemouth · Smallmouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
~ 12°F swing	+ No lightning	+ 5–14 mph usable ripple	~ Rain up to ~38%	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **72–81°F**, lows **48–60°F**, rain chance up to **~38%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

81° F high

LOW	60°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	ESE 3–8 mph
RAIN	~38%
SUN	7:10 AM / 5:31 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

TUESDAY NOV 17

73° F high

LOW	48°F
SKY	Slight Chance Rain Showers then Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 5–14 mph
RAIN	~24%
SUN	7:11 AM / 5:31 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

72° F high

LOW	50°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SE 5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:12 AM / 5:30 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: ESE → SW → SE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING
- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:10 AM MST) → ~9 AM**
- Use any ripple as cover

MIDDAY
- Shade lines, docks, deeper edges
- Electronics for bait height first
- Slow down once the sun is overhead

EVENING
- Revisit shallow shade as sun drops
- Topwater if the surface lays down
- Weekday traffic is lighter — work quiet pockets

FALL TRANSITION **Largemouth plan: Follow shad into the backs of creeks and flats 1-10 ft; spinnerbait, squarebill and topwater at a fast pace.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth are in the fall transition — following bait into creeks and onto flats as water cools.

Basis: estimated water ~68°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a river (10-day response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

NATURAL FORAGE

Threadfin shad and crawfish are the main forage, with shad moving along current seams and eddies. Watch for surface activity, birds, and bait on your graph near points and current breaks.

ALSO BITING

Striped bass move through the Strip and will hit spoons and swimbaits in current. Flathead and channel catfish feed at night on cut bait or live bait where legal.

PRESSURE

Weekday traffic — lighter than the weekend. Fish early, give ramps and swim areas room.

DAM & WATER — CONFIRM BEFORE YOU LAUNCH

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No shared generation/level feed this cycle — check the agency page the morning you fish; releases and pool levels change daily. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Permit / regs	Day-use fees apply at most sites, and the Strip gets heavy recreational traffic on warm afternoons.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

On the Arizona side, the best shore access is at the BLM Take Off Point, Buckskin Mountain State Park, and River Island State Park, where rock jetties, coves, and eddies sit within casting distance. Day-use fees apply.

KAYAK

Launch from the BLM Take Off Point or River Island State Park at first light, before boat traffic builds. Stay along the Arizona shoreline, working coves, jetties, and eddies with a shaky head or small swimbait. Use eddies to rest and position yourself out of the main current.

BOAT

Launch early from the BLM Take Off Point, Buckskin Mountain State Park, or La Paz County Park. Fish current breaks, eddies, and points along the Arizona bank with spinnerbaits, swimbaits, and crankbaits at dawn. As the sun rises, move to deeper rock and channel edges and fish drop shots and jigs.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait or popper at dawn along eddies and calm pockets. Buzzbait along rock jetties on the breezy morning.

MID

Swimbait on a jighead along current seams. Spinnerbait or crankbait along points and rock breaks. Lipless crankbait in deeper current.

BOTTOM

Green pumpkin Texas-rigged worm in slower water. Drop shot along deeper rock and channel edges. Jig with a craw trailer around rock piles.