Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Lake Havasu (AZ) area

Lake Havasu (AZ)

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

5 /10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
~ 12°F swing	+ No lightning	– Up to 15 mph · open-water chop	~ Rain up to ~39%	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **71–77°F**, lows **52–64°F**, rain chance up to **~39%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

77° F high

LOW	64°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	ESE 2–8 mph
RAIN	~39%
SUN	7:11 AM / 5:32 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

71° F high

LOW	52°F
SKY	Chance Rain Showers then Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 6–15 mph
RAIN	~36%
SUN	7:12 AM / 5:31 PM

Frame: Breeziest day — use ripple on wind-blown banks and points; open-water chop is higher risk.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

71° F high

LOW	55°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	ENE 0–3 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	7:13 AM / 5:31 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 → ENE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:11 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 ~70°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

NATURAL FORAGE

Threadfin shad are the main forage, with crawfish important on rocky banks and humps. Watch for surface flickers and birds at dawn, and look for bait on your graph near points and channel edges.

ALSO BITING

Striped bass roam the main lake and river channel, and they will hit spoons, swimbaits, and topwater when schooling. Redear sunfish can be giants here; fish small baits on the bottom near quagga-covered rock.

PRESSURE

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

DAM & WATER — GENERATION SCHEDULE

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No generation schedule posted by Bureau of Reclamation for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 — check the operator page the morning you fish; releases and pool levels change daily. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Parker Dam	No generation schedule posted by Bureau of Reclamation for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 447.19 ft (Sun 11/15); daily average total release (Reclamation daily report) 4,687 cfs (Mon 11/16)	Bureau of Reclamation
Permit / regs	Expect a city or park day-use fee, and note that the Bridgewater Channel is a strict no-wake zone.	
Clarity	Calm, hot days make Havasu's clear water very visible.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Shore access on the Arizona side is good. Site Six in Lake Havasu City has rocky shoreline and jetties near the launch, and Rotary Community Park offers more bank space along the main lake. North of town, the Windsor Beach area of Lake Havasu State Park gives access to coves and points.

KAYAK

Launch from Site Six or Windsor Beach at first light. Stay in coves near Windsor Beach or south toward Cattail Cove State Park, where rocky points and shade provide cover. Use a shaky head or drop shot on rocky drop-offs and a small swimbait on points.

BOAT

Launch at dawn from Site Six, Windsor Beach, or Cattail Cove. Start with topwater on main-lake points and rock piles along the Arizona shore, watching for shad being chased by bass or stripers. Mid-morning, move to deeper points, ledges, and rock piles in 15 to 30 feet and fish drop shots and football jigs.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait or popper in shad colors at first light on points and rock piles. A small topwater over submerged brush in calm coves.

MID

Swimbait on a jighead along rocky points and current breaks. Shad-colored crankbait on deeper rock. A spoon ready for schooling stripers.

BOTTOM

Drop shot with a natural minnow or worm on deep rock and ledges. Green pumpkin football jig on points. Ned rig in calm, clear coves for smallmouth.