Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for White River Trout Corridor (AR) area

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Arkansas
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Central Time · Trout

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7 /10 — Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
− Unsettled · 14°F swing	+ No lightning	+ 0–10 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~0%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **60–66°F**, lows **30–44°F**, rain chance up to **~0%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

60° F high

LOW	30°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	0 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:48 AM / 5:01 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

TUESDAY NOV 17

62° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	ESE 0–5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:49 AM / 5:00 PM

Frame: Cold start — let the sun warm the shallows; the better bite often comes later in the day.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

66° F high

LOW	44°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SSE 0–10 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:50 AM / 5:00 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 → SSE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:48 AM CST) → ~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 **Trout plan: Target inflows and shoreline drop-offs as water cools; spoons, spinners and streamers, moderate.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

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

Basis: water 59°F — USGS river gauge at the lake 07054527 (White River Below Bull Shoals Dam Near F, 9 km), 24-h mean to Mon 4:00 AM; air record trending falling

NATURAL FORAGE

Scuds, sowbugs, midges, and small mayfly or caddis activity are the usual fall menu on this cold-water corridor, with sculpins and baitfish mattering for browns on streamers.

ALSO BITING

Brown trout: deeper banks and structure with streamers, especially low light. Rainbow trout: soft seams with nymphs and soft hackles through the day.

PRESSURE

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

DAM & WATER — GENERATION SCHEDULE

FIXED Dam-controlled water. Generation schedule and flows below are copied from the operator as posted at the Cast pull — schedules change; re-check the operator page the morning you fish. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Bull Shoals Dam	Mon 11/16: 12 AM - 4 AM CT 7 MW, 4 AM - 5 AM CT 30 MW, 5 AM - 6 AM CT 130 MW, 6 AM - 8 AM CT 200 MW, 8 AM - 9 AM CT 150 MW, 9 AM - 10 AM CT 100 MW, +3 more blocks · Tue 11/17: schedule not posted yet · Wed 11/18: schedule not posted yet — Southwestern Power Administration generation schedule	USACE (power marketed by Southwestern Power Administration)
Norfork Dam	Mon 11/16: 4 AM - 9 PM CT 37 MW · Tue 11/17: schedule not posted yet · Wed 11/18: schedule not posted yet — Southwestern Power Administration generation schedule	USACE (power marketed by Southwestern Power Administration)
Permit / regs	The best public bank access for this product is the Cotter / White River public boat ramp corridor in Baxter County, where day-use parking and public shoreline put you within a short walk of soft seams, bank grass, and wadable edges when releases allow.	
Clarity	Clarity should hold on the Arkansas bank around Cotter.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

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KAYAK

Launch from the Cotter public boat ramp when the lane is usable, and confirm with access notices that the ramp is open before you load up. Drift soft seams and fish nymphs or streamers along bank shade. Are the quietest days for a short Cotter-corridor float.

BOAT

Launch early from the Cotter public boat ramp and plan the morning around release status first, then light. By late morning on these bright days, slow down, fish deeper, and prioritize cold-water safety over covering every mile.

LURE BOX

TOP

Dry flies or soft-hackle wets in soft water at dawn and dusk when fish show on top. Small hoppers or terrestrials only if you see bank activity — do not force a lake-style topwater day on cold water.

MID

Pheasant-tail, hare's-ear, and zebra-midge nymphs under an indicator or Euro-style. Soft streamers in olive or natural sculpin tones for browns along deeper banks. Small spoons or jigs only where spin fishing is legal and ethical for the run you are .

BOTTOM

Weighted nymphs and stonefly patterns in deeper mid-day runs. Conehead or articulated streamers bounced along the bottom for browns. Keep tippet honest in clear, sunny water.