Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Standley Lake area

Standley Lake

Colorado

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

5/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
~ 11°F swing	+ No lightning	− Up to 16 mph · open-water chop	+ Clear / sunny (~1%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **58–65°F**, lows **30–41°F**, rain chance up to **~1%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

62° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Patchy Fog then Mostly Sunny
WIND	SSE 2–6 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:45 AM / 4:42 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

65° F high

LOW	41°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SSE 2–12 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	6:46 AM / 4:41 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

58° F high

LOW	30°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	W 10–16 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	6:47 AM / 4:40 PM

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: SSE → W · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:45 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: Slow down: steep points, channel drops and remaining grass just outside the creeks, between the fall flats and the 15-30 ft winter depth; suspending jerkbait with long pauses, jig-and-pig or blade bait crawled down the slope.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth are in the late fall transition — water under the mid-50s, so bass are sliding off the shallow flats toward steeper points and channel drops near their fall feeding areas.

Basis: estimated water ~54°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day

NATURAL FORAGE

Public forage reports are thin, so trust your eyes: bait flickering at sunrise means a moving bait; a quiet surface means a slow plastic on the

ALSO BITING

Walleye feed on rocky points at dusk, but fishing ends at sunset here, so work the last hour of light with a jig and nightcrawler or slow crankbait.

PRESSURE

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

response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

WATER BOARD — LAKE CHEAT SHEET

FIXED Natural / small-impoundment water — no generation table. Check access rules and level notes with the managing agency before you go.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Clarity	Steady high pressure, light winds, and full sun mean clear water and wary fish after mid-morning, so use light line, natural colors, and long casts.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Drive in through the main park entrance at 100th Avenue and Simms Street, where fall drive-in hours run from 7:30 AM to one hour before sunset; walk-in visitors can come from sunrise. The Standley Lake Regional Park shoreline is open to fishing year-round, so walk to rocky points and coves where the bank drops off fast.

KAYAK

Standley's paddle craft season ran from May 1 to Sep 30, so kayaks, canoes, and paddleboards are no longer allowed on the lake this week. During the season, all paddle craft had to enter through the main entrance at 100th Avenue and Simms Street and be sprayed at the park's inspection station before launching.

BOAT

Trailered and motorized boats are never allowed on Standley Lake because of the risk of zebra and quagga mussels, and only city boats used for patrols and water-quality work go on the water. That makes Standley a shore-only fishery for the rest of the year.

LURE BOX

TOP

A walking bait or popper in bone or clear shad over calm shallow edges right at sunrise. The light southeast wind should leave the surface slick early.

MID

A squarebill in shad or craw colors along rocky banks, plus a swim jig or spinnerbait on rippled shoreline. Long casts from shore cover more water.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged creature bait, Ned rig, and drop-shot in green pumpkin and watermelon on the first drop. Artificial lures and non-aquatic bait like nightcrawlers are fine here. Match size to small sunfish, young baitfish, and crawfish.