Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Lake Cascade area

Lake Cascade

Idaho

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

6/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 5–7 mph usable ripple	− Rain up to ~99%	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **37–44°F**, lows **24–28°F**, rain chance up to **~99%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

44° F high

LOW	28°F
SKY	Widespread Rain Showers
WIND	SE 1–5 mph
RAIN	~99%
SUN	7:41 AM / 5:15 PM

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

TUESDAY NOV 17

37° F high

LOW	24°F
SKY	Scattered Snow Showers
WIND	NNW 7 mph
RAIN	~54%
SUN	7:43 AM / 5:14 PM

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

40° F high

LOW	28°F
SKY	Widespread Snow Showers
WIND	SSE 6 mph
RAIN	~93%
SUN	7:44 AM / 5:13 PM

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:41 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 ~49°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Perch and kokanee hold deeper, and a few largemouth still use weedy pockets on the south end. What's on the menu: Yellow perch, small baitfish and crawfish are the main forage along the rock and weed edges.

ALSO BITING

Smallmouth bass — primary; rocky points and drops. Yellow perch — deeper flats and weed edges.

PRESSURE

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

gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

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
Cascade Dam	No generation schedule posted by Bureau of Reclamation for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18	Bureau of Reclamation
Confirm	Idaho Fish and Game fishing rules	idfg.idaho.gov
Permit / regs	Bank anglers can fish rock and docks from Cascade City Park and the shoreline near the dam, and from day-use areas around Rainbow Point.	
Clarity	Water clarity / depth.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Bank anglers can fish rock and docks from Cascade City Park and the shoreline near the dam, and from day-use areas around Rainbow Point. Start at first light with a small walking bait or a spinnerbait along the rocks, then switch to a tube or a Ned rig as the sun climbs.

KAYAK

Are the paddle days. Launch at Cascade City Park or Rainbow Point and work rocky points and weed edges with a Ned rig or a small tube for smallmouth. Stay out of the open main lake if any breeze builds.

BOAT

Cascade fishes like a big highland reservoir with rock, weeds and a few docks. At first light, run points from the city park toward Sugarloaf and the west shore with a jerkbait, tube or spinnerbait. As the sun climbs, slide out to 15–30 ft and work a drop-shot or a football jig where you mark fish.

LURE BOX

TOP

Small walking bait in bone or chrome at dawn. Popper along rocky points. Spinnerbait on rippled banks.

MID

Suspending jerkbait on rock. Small swimbait on points. Tube on steep shoreline.

BOTTOM

Drop-shot with a small worm in green or smoke. Ned rig or tube on rock. Football jig on deeper breaks.