Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

**Weather**
National Weather Service forecast for Cocolalla area

# Cocolalla

Idaho
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Pacific Time · Largemouth

## BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

**7** /10 — Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

| PRESSURE | STORMS | WIND | SKY / RAIN | BASS STAGE | CROWD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| + Stable pattern | + No lightning | + 2–6 mph usable ripple | − Rain up to ~72% | ~ Fall transition | + Weekday · lighter traffic |

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **41–45°F**, lows **29–34°F**, rain chance up to **~72%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

## THREE-DAY WEATHER

### MONDAY NOV 16

**45°** F high

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|---|---|
| LOW | 34°F |
| SKY | Areas Of Fog |
| WIND | SW 0–5 mph |
| RAIN | ~72% |
| SUN | 6:54 AM / 4:07 PM |

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

### TUESDAY NOV 17

**42°** F high

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| LOW | 31°F |
| SKY | Areas Of Fog |
| WIND | NW 2 mph |
| RAIN | ~5% |
| SUN | 6:56 AM / 4:06 PM |

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

### WEDNESDAY NOV 18

**41°** F high

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|---|---|
| LOW | 29°F |
| SKY | Areas Of Fog then Partly Sunny |
| WIND | NE 0–6 mph |
| RAIN | ~10% |
| SUN | 6:57 AM / 4:05 PM |

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: SW → NW → NE · Bite window: dawn + last light

## HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

### MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:54 AM PST) → ~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 ~48°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day

### NATURAL FORAGE

**Glassy midday water pushes fish tight to shade and cover around Bonner County. By, expect fish at Cocolalla Lake to settle into predictable shade lines you can re-hit without a long run.**

### ALSO BITING

**Crappie can show on a slow midday drop along the first break near Cocolalla Lake public ramp (Bonner County). Bluegill mix on the same shade lines you fish for bass — keep a light jig ready as a bonus cast.**

### 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 rising

## 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 |
|---|---|---|
| Permit / regs | Confirm park hours, trailer parking, and any day-use notices posted at the gate before you leave a vehicle overnight at Cocolalla Lake. | |
| Clarity | Water clarity / depth. | |

## ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

### BANK

Bank fishing starts at Cocolalla Lake public ramp (Bonner County), where you can reach rocky points, weed edges, and timbered pockets along the public shoreline within a short walk of the truck. Work a soft stickbait or weightless fluke along shade lines, then pitch a compact jig into the nearest cover.

### KAYAK

Kayak anglers should launch at Cocolalla Lake public ramp (Bonner County) and hug the protected shoreline rather than crossing open water when a breeze is up. The calmest middle of the weekday window is usually the cleanest paddle day: start on windward points with a spinnerbait, then slip into protected pockets for a wacky rig.

### BOAT

Trailers use Cocolalla Lake public ramp (Bonner County) — launch, clear the lane, and idle out before you plane. At first light, run points, edges, and secondary drops with a squarebill or spinnerbait, then slow down with a Texas-rigged beaver when the sun climbs.

## LURE BOX

### TOP

Medium crankbait.

### MID

Flipping jig. Creature bait. Senko-style stick.

### BOTTOM

Light drop-shot. Stain/clear: On stained water at Cocolalla Lake, lean chartreuse and black/blue; on clearer afternoons, natural green pumpkin and translucent stickbaits get more looks. Match lure size to the forage you see along Cocolalla Lake public ramp (Bonner County).