FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Cedar Bluff Reservoir area

Cedar Bluff Reservoir

Kansas

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

4/10

Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
− Unsettled · 17°F swing	+ No lightning	− Up to 29 mph · unsafe chop	+ Clear / sunny (~1%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **49–66°F**, lows **37–44°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

49° F high

LOW	38°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	S 8–21 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:22 AM / 5:24 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

59° F high

LOW	44°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	S 21–29 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:23 AM / 5:24 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

66° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SSW 16–26 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	7:24 AM / 5:23 PM

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: S → SSW · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:22 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 **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 ~57°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

Weekday traffic at Cedar Bluff State Park is softer than, but North Shore banks and South Shore shoreline still draw after-work spinning rods from the Hays corridor.

ALSO BITING

Wipers often mix on windward North Shore points when the south wind piles shad against the rock — keep a slim crank or small spoon handy as a bonus bait, then return to the largemouth rock plan in South Shore pockets.

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 USACE NWDM 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
Cedar Bluff Dam	No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDM for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 2,118.58 ft (Sun 6:00 AM CT); observed outflow (USACE) 0 cfs (Sun 6:00 AM CT)	USACE NWDM

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Fish the posted banks at Cedar Bluff State Park, starting on North Shore recreation shoreline, then walk South Shore public banks as the sun climbs.

KAYAK

Launch from Cedar Bluff State Park North Shore or South Shore launches and stay inside protected pockets when the south wind builds. The NNE hush lets you edge farther along South Shore without a hazardous return.

BOAT

Launch at the Cedar Bluff State Park North Shore and South Shore ramps. Work windward North Shore bluffs while the south breeze is honest, then retreat early if gusts climb toward the mid-teens; confirm outlet boards before any long dam run.

LURE BOX

TOP

One topwater or small spoon when wipers crash shad on points.

MID

Cedar Bluff's box should cover windblown North Shore rock and South Shore pockets: a white or chartreuse spinnerbait for south-wind stone. A squarebill for riprap transitions. A weightless stickbait for calmer banks.

BOTTOM

A compact jig and Texas-rig creature for shaded pockets. A shaky head or drop-shot for clear midday breaks.