Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Burt · Mullett area

Burt · Mullett

Michigan
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Eastern Time · Smallmouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

8/10 — Strong odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	− Up to 15 mph · open-water chop	+ Clear / sunny (~2%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **50–56°F**, lows **43–46°F**, rain chance up to **~2%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

50° F high

LOW	43°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 5–15 mph
RAIN	~2%
SUN	7:38 AM / 5:07 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

54° F high

LOW	44°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 15 mph
RAIN	~2%
SUN	7:40 AM / 5:06 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

56° F high

LOW	46°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 10–15 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:41 AM / 5:05 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING
- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:38 AM EST) → ~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 **Smallmouth plan: Go subsurface and a notch slower: edges of drop-offs, rocky points and bluff ends between the fall flats and the 20-40 ft winter depth; jerkbait with pauses, small jig or hula grub on the bottom, blade bait ripped off the bottom on points.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Smallmouth are in the late fall transition — water in the low-to-mid 50s, so they are staging on drop-off edges, points and bends between their summer spots and the deep wintering holes.

Basis: estimated water ~51°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

What's on the menu: No dated forage report turned up for this exact window. Perch, small baitfish, gobies, and crayfish are the usual fall foods on Burt and Mullett rock, and gulls or surface flicks on a windy point are the best clue that bait has moved .

ALSO BITING

Walleye · pike. Walleye: low-light jigging or trolling along weed edges and drop-offs, best at dawn, dusk, and after the wind dirties the 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 the operator 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
MULLETT LAKE AT OUTLET NEAR CHEBOYGAN, MI	No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 592.45 ft (Mon 2:15 AM CT)	the operator

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Burt Lake State Park at the south end of Burt gives walk-in anglers sand and gravel shoreline near the Indian River mouth, and Aloha State Park on the south shore of Mullett adds public shoreline close to the ramp. The northwest wind puts a little chop on both spots, which helps a tube or a Ned rig look natural on the bottom.

KAYAK

Use the hand-launch areas at Burt Lake State Park or Aloha State Park and keep the paddle close to shore, working the lee side of points and the scattered weed near Maple Bay on Burt. Both lakes are long enough for the south wind to build real rollers, so do not cross open water late.

BOAT

Launch at Burt Lake State Park, Maple Bay, Aloha State Park, Mullett Lake Village, or Jewell Road depending on the wind. Morning, run points and humps with jerkbaits while the water is calm. Fish the west-wind banks with swimbaits and spinnerbaits.

LURE BOX

TOP

Low odds morning under bright, cool skies. A walking bait or popper is worth a few casts on calm dawn and when the west wind just ripples the surface.

MID

Suspending jerkbaits and soft swimbaits on points and weed edges. Use long pauses; switch to a steadier retrieve and add a spinnerbait on the windy banks.

BOTTOM

Tubes, Ned rigs, and drop-shot minnows on rock, gravel, and the sand-to-rock edge. Stain / clear match: Both lakes run clear in the fall, so start with green pumpkin, smoke, and goby or perch tones on light line. If the south wind dirties a shoreline, use darker craw colors or a touch of chartreuse along that windblown bank.