Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Lake Cadillac area

Lake Cadillac

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

6/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	− Up to 15 mph · open-water chop	+ Clear / sunny (~0%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **50–55°F**, lows **34–41°F**, rain chance up to **~0%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

50° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 5–10 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:38 AM / 5:13 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

55° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SW 10 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:39 AM / 5:13 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

55° F high

LOW	41°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 10–15 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:40 AM / 5:12 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 **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 ~50°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Afternoon, slide toward any sun-warmed pocket along the lakefront and pitch a soft creature into shade under docks and brush. The frosty dawn is the softest paddle day once the ice is off the decks — ease around timber, canals, and legal dock shadows slowly.

ALSO BITING

Yellow perch & panfish. Cool nights pull perch and bluegill tighter to brush, docks, and the first drop.

PRESSURE

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

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	Natural greens and browns match stained shore water; flash gets the nod on the windblown bank when baitfish are pushed shallow.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Start at Cadillac Lakefront Park public boat ramp on Lake Cadillac (alternate: Mitchell State Park canal access between Cadillac and Mitchell) and walk the nearest seawall, riprap, and park shore you can reach without crossing private docks.

KAYAK

Launch from Cadillac Lakefront Park or the Mitchell State Park canal access and hug the protected shoreline as soon as you clear the ramp throat. The sun is workable on this compact twin-lake system, but keep the open middle for later if any breeze builds chop.

BOAT

Trailering boats use Cadillac Lakefront Park on Lake Cadillac, or the Mitchell State Park canal access if you want to work both lakes. Confirm ramp and motor notes on the posting at the ramp before you drop.

LURE BOX

TOP

No topwater slot on file for this water — stay mid / bottom.

MID

No mid-depth slot on file for this water.

BOTTOM

Green-pumpkin stick worm. One on a bottom contact bait so you can switch without re-tying when the frost bite turns. Natural greens and browns match stained shore water.