Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Stockton area

Stockton

Missouri
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Central Time · Walleye

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7 /10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
~ 11°F swing	+ No lightning	+ 6–12 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~1%)	~ Fall transition · turnover	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **61–67°F**, lows **39–50°F**, rain chance up to **~1%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

61° F high

LOW	39°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	S 2–6 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:55 AM / 5:03 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

63° F high

LOW	40°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	S 8 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:56 AM / 5:02 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

67° F high

LOW	50°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	S 7–12 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	6:58 AM / 5:02 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:55 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 **Walleye plan: Fish rock and gravel 10-25 ft at low light; jig and minnow or troll stickbaits, moderate.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Walleye are in the fall transition — following bait into creeks and onto flats as water cools. Possible turnover window on stratified reservoirs — the bite can go off for a few days.

Basis: estimated water ~60°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Gizzard shad are the main meal for Stockton's walleye and bass, which is why shad-colored jerkbaits and crankbaits do so much of the work. Crawfish live along every rocky point and gravel bank, and bluegill sit in the coves and timber.

ALSO BITING

Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass hold on points and rock. Fish topwater at dawn, then a drop shot, Ned rig or football jig on chunk rock and brush in 15 to 25 feet once the sun is up.

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. Generation schedule and flows below are copied from the operator as posted at the Cast pull — schedules change; re-check the operator page the morning you fish. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

ITEM	NOTE	SOURCE
Stockton Dam	Mon 11/16: no generation/release scheduled · Tue 11/17: schedule not posted yet · Wed 11/18: schedule not posted yet — Southwestern Power Administration generation schedule Observed: pool 862.00 ft (Mon 3:00 AM CT); observed outflow (USACE) 40 cfs (Sun 12:00 AM CT)	USACE (power marketed by Southwestern Power Administration)
Permit / regs	Launch at Stockton State Park, Crabtree Cove, Orleans Trail, Hawker Point or the free ramp at Mutton Creek North, which has a courtesy dock; Crabtree Cove, Hawker Point and Orleans Trail charge a Corps day-use fee through November.	
Clarity	Stockton's clear water and bright, calm days push walleye deep or tight to cover at midday, so the best windows are first light, the last hour before sunset and after dark.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

The Corps shoreline at Crabtree Cove and Orleans Trail near the town of Stockton gives bank anglers rocky points to fish for walleye at dawn and dusk; a suspending jerkbait or a jig and minnow along rocky shoreline is the play. Stockton State Park has shoreline along main-lake points with deep water close by.

KAYAK

Light winds make Stockton easy to paddle this week. Launch at Crabtree Cove or Orleans Trail and fish nearby coves and points, or put in at Stockton State Park and work the main-lake points at first light. A suspending jerkbait for walleye and a Ned rig for bass cover most of it.

BOAT

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LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait on main-lake points at dawn for bass. Popper over shallow gravel flats before sunrise. Small swimbait at fish chasing shad on the surface.

MID

Suspending jerkbait (clear or shad) on points and coves for walleye. Deep-diving crankbait trolled along points and breaks. Spinnerbait or swim jig on windblown points.

BOTTOM

Jig and minnow or jig and nightcrawler on rocky points. Blade bait or spoon on 15- to 30-foot breaks at midday. Drop shot or Ned rig on chunk rock for bass.