Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

**Weather**
National Weather Service forecast for Newlan area

# Newlan

Montana
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Central Time · Trout

## BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

**7** /10 — Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

| PRESSURE | STORMS | WIND | SKY / RAIN | BASS STAGE | CROWD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| + Mostly stable | + No lightning | + 3–5 mph usable ripple | − Rain up to ~97% | + Fall transition | + Weekday · lighter traffic |

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **34–41°F**, lows **28–34°F**, rain chance up to **~97%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

## THREE-DAY WEATHER

### MONDAY NOV 16

**41°** F high

| | |
|---|---|
| LOW | 34°F |
| SKY | Light Rain |
| WIND | SE 1–5 mph |
| RAIN | ~93% |
| SUN | — |

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

### TUESDAY NOV 17

**36°** F high

| | |
|---|---|
| LOW | 32°F |
| SKY | Rain And Snow |
| WIND | NW 5 mph |
| RAIN | ~97% |
| SUN | — |

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

### WEDNESDAY NOV 18

**34°** F high

| | |
|---|---|
| LOW | 28°F |
| SKY | Chance Light Snow then Mostly Cloudy |
| WIND | SW 3 mph |
| RAIN | ~28% |
| SUN | — |

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

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

## HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

**MORNING**
- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (first light 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 **Trout plan: Target inflows and shoreline drop-offs as water cools; spoons, spinners and streamers, moderate.**

## BIOLOGY

**BASS STAGE**
**Trout are in the fall transition — following bait into creeks and onto flats as water cools.**
Basis: estimated water ~49°F — statewide median of 22 lake estimates from the observed air record (NOAA ACIS) — no coordinates on file for this lake; no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending rising

**NATURAL FORAGE**
**Small natural profiles and flash in moderation fit clear sunny water.**

**ALSO BITING**
**Low-light rock and deeper breaks. Yellow perch.**

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

## DAM & WATER — CONFIRM BEFORE YOU LAUNCH

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No shared generation/level feed this cycle — check the agency page the morning you fish; releases and pool levels change daily. Stay outside buoyed restricted zones.

| ITEM | NOTE | SOURCE |
|---|---|---|
| **Confirm** | Managing agency page for this water | |

## ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

### BANK

Arrive ready at Newlan Creek Reservoir public shoreline near the ramp. Second slower rod saves midday when rainbow trout slide off shallow edges. Newlan Creek Reservoir concrete gets slick after frost.

### KAYAK

Make Newlan protected shoreline the rehearsal. Graph quiet after dawn? One move along the protected edge for rainbow trout, then decide.

### BOAT

Anchor the route on Newlan public ramp and open water. Idle wide, cast rainbow trout, keep wakes off bank rods. Newlan Creek Reservoir pressure is real even.

## LURE BOX

### TOP

Small spoons at dawn. Inline spinners near the dam. Dry flies on calm mornings.

### MID

Nymphs and soft hackles. Small jigs under a float. Light spoons mid-depth.

### BOTTOM

Heavier spoons under high sun. Egg patterns near inflow. Slow retrieves on the bottom.