Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Arnold Lake area

Arnold Lake

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

5/10

Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	− Up to 30 mph · unsafe chop	+ Clear / sunny (~4%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **53–62°F**, lows **27–36°F**, rain chance up to **~4%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

62° F high

LOW	35°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	S 10–15 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	—

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

59° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	S 10 mph
RAIN	~4%
SUN	—

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

53° F high

LOW	27°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	W 15–30 mph
RAIN	~4%
SUN	—

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: S → W · 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 **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 ~54°F — statewide median of 24 lake estimates from the observed air record (NOAA ACIS) — no

NATURAL FORAGE

Green pumpkin and natural shad cover most sunny scenarios.

ALSO BITING

Brush and docks. Shallows early.

PRESSURE

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

coordinates on file for this lake; no water-temperature 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
Arnold Dam	No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: observed flow at USGS 06781600 (South Loup River At Arnold, Nebr.) 22 cfs (Mon 3:45 AM CT)	the operator
Clarity	Drop-shot on clear water.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Begin at Arnold Lake city-area concrete ramp shoreline. Dawn is for largemouth bass: cast parallel to the first legal rock, then slow a soft plastic when sun clears. On Arnold Lake, mind slick concrete and give trailers room.

KAYAK

Start protected: Arnold Lake protected shoreline by the concrete ramp. Cover water for largemouth bass without racing every cove. Arnold Lake under CT light rewards patience.

BOAT

Launch and go to Arnold Lake concrete ramp and open water. Legal public points only for largemouth bass. On Arnold Lake, confirm any posted dam or ramp notices on the board before you leave town.

LURE BOX

TOP

Topwater at dawn. Spinnerbaits along cover. Frogs over remaining grass.

MID

Jigs and craws. Texas-rigged plastics.

BOTTOM

Texas rigs under high sun. Drop-shot on clear water. Carolina rigs on deeper edges.