Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Calamus area

Calamus

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

5/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
~ 11°F swing	+ No lightning	− Up to 35 mph · unsafe chop	+ Clear / sunny (~6%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **53–64°F**, lows **34–43°F**, rain chance up to **~6%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

53° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	SSW 15–20 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:27 AM / 5:15 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	43°F
SKY	Mostly Cloudy
WIND	S 20–35 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:28 AM / 5:14 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

64° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SW 15–25 mph
RAIN	~6%
SUN	7:29 AM / 5:13 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:27 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.

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

NATURAL FORAGE

Natural perch, shad, and white finishes cover most sunny scenarios.

ALSO BITING

Northern pike / muskie where present. Weeds and creek mouths early.

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
Permit / regs	Dawn-jig Buckshot points for walleye before day-use traffic builds, then rotate along legal SRA banks as light spreads.	
Clarity	Confirm SRA ramp hours before you commit the trailer, idle past Buckshot bank anglers, and keep both a jig and a crankbait ready for clarity and depth changes.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Buckshot Bay SRA shoreline is the weekday bank play on Calamus. Dawn-jig Buckshot points for walleye before day-use traffic builds, then rotate along legal SRA banks as light spreads. North-central Nebraska mornings start sharp — pack layers for cool CT dawns even when afternoons warm.

KAYAK

Launch at Buckshot Bay SRA and fish the bay's protected water before poking into the open Calamus pool. Work shoreline transitions early for walleye, then ease to adjacent SRA points if the breeze stays light. Calamus fetch can rise fast — drift sock , PFD , turn back before whitecaps.

BOAT

Idle out of Buckshot Bay at dawn, graph bay-mouth breaks for bait, then run main-lake windward points only when the wind map looks honest. Walleye on Calamus reward mobile boat anglers who refuse to camp a dead point under high sun.

LURE BOX

TOP

Shallow cranks on riprap dawn. Walking baits if bait is high. Small swimbaits over points.

MID

Jig + minnow / soft plastic. Blade baits on seams. Moderate cranks on breaks.

BOTTOM

Crawler harness / bottom bouncer. Heavier jigs on current. Ned or drop-shot under high sun.