FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Medicine Creek area

Medicine Creek

Nebraska

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

4/10

Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
− Unsettled · 13°F swing	+ No lightning	− Up to 30 mph · unsafe chop	+ Clear / sunny (~6%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **55–68°F**, lows **33–45°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

55° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	S 10–15 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:27 AM / 5:23 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

60° F high

LOW	45°F
SKY	Mostly Cloudy
WIND	S 15–30 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:29 AM / 5:22 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

68° F high

LOW	33°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SW 10–20 mph
RAIN	~6%
SUN	7:30 AM / 5:21 PM

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: 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 ~54°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 and shad finishes cover most sunny scenarios.

ALSO BITING

Northern pike where present. Weeds and creek mouths early.

PRESSURE

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

DAM & WATER — GENERATION SCHEDULE

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDM 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
Medicine Cr Dam (Harry Strunk L)	No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDM for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: observed outflow (USACE) 1 cfs (Sun 6:00 AM CT)	USACE NWDM

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Medicine Creek Reservoir SRA shoreline and legal public banks near the ramp are the bank homes this week. Work first light with a presentation that matches walleye, then slide to deeper rock or cover as the sun climbs.

KAYAK

Medicine Creek SRA protected coves suit a kayak on these light-wind days. Launch from established public ramps only, hug shoreline transitions early for walleye, then slide to points as the sun warms the rock. Travel light so you can remount quickly if a weekday skier or workboat wakes the pocket.

BOAT

Run Medicine Creek SRA ramp and main-lake points at first light, then fan main-lake points and windward breaks as the sun climbs. Use electronics to find bait for walleye, and idle through no-wake zones near ramps and swimming areas.

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.