Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Ute–Conchas area

Ute–Conchas

New Mexico
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Mountain Time · Largemouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

5/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	− Up to 20 mph · unsafe chop	+ Clear / sunny (~4%)	~ Fall transition · turnover	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **55–65°F**, lows **33–41°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

55° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	S 5–15 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:32 AM / 4:49 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

58° F high

LOW	41°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	SW 10–20 mph
RAIN	~4%
SUN	6:33 AM / 4:49 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

65° F high

LOW	33°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SW 10–20 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:34 AM / 4:48 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 (6:32 AM MST) → ~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: Follow shad into the backs of creeks and flats 1-10 ft; spinnerbait, squarebill and topwater at a fast pace.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Largemouth 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 ~59°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Shad and other small baitfish, plus crayfish on the rock, make up most of the menu. No forage survey came out for this window, so match shad and craw colors, going darker in stained water.

ALSO BITING

Walleye are a strong option at both lakes in low light. A jig and minnow or a slow swimbait on rocky points at dawn and dusk covers them.

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. No generation schedule posted by USACE SPA, 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
Conchas Lake	No generation schedule posted by USACE SPA for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18	USACE SPA
UTE RESERVOIR NEAR LOGAN, NM	No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 3,785.91 ft (Mon 3:30 AM CT)	the operator
Permit / regs	New Mexico Department of Wildlife — current fishing rules and special-water regulations; Pure-Gas.org station listings (stations only).	
Clarity	Where the stained Canadian River water meets clearer lake water, bait collects.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

At Ute, fish from the state park shoreline near Logan and the rocky points within walking distance, staying out of the ramp lanes. At first light, work a spinnerbait or a squarebill along newly flooded shoreline for largemouth, and a tube or a Ned rig on rocky points for smallmouth.

KAYAK

Wait out the dawn fog at Ute before launching. After that, both lakes offer light-wind paddling all week. At Ute, paddle the rocky coves and points near the state park and work a Ned rig or a drop-shot along ledges.

BOAT

Launch at the posted state park ramps once visibility is good. At Ute, run the rocky points and ledges at dawn with a jerkbait or a squarebill, then slide to 15 to 25 feet with a drop-shot or a football jig. Check newly flooded shoreline for largemouth.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait (bone) — calm dawn at Ute. Buzzbait (black) — stained water at Conchas. Popper — last light on rocky points.

MID

Jerkbait (ghost shad) — smallmouth on Ute points. Spinnerbait (white/chartreuse) — color change at Conchas. Squarebill (craw) — newly flooded edges.

BOTTOM

Drop-shot (shad, goby) — ledges at Ute. Ned rig or tube (green pumpkin) — rocky points. Dark jig (black/blue) — stained water at Conchas.