Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Seneca area

Seneca

New York
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Eastern Time · Largemouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7 /10 — Fair odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
~ 11°F swing	+ No lightning	+ 5–9 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~1%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **47–58°F**, lows **39–40°F**, rain chance up to **~1%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

47° F high

LOW	39°F
SKY	Mostly Cloudy
WIND	NW 3–9 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	7:00 AM / 4:44 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

56° F high

LOW	39°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SW 2–6 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:01 AM / 4:43 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

58° F high

LOW	40°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	SW 0–5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	7:02 AM / 4:42 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:00 AM EST) → ~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 ~52°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

Perch — weed-to-sand lines for a family rod.

ALSO BITING

Trout & salmon — deep cold water keeps them in the lake story offshore. Perch — weed-to-sand lines for a family rod.

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 — 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	NYSDEC freshwater fishing regulations and local park / launch pages.	
Clarity	Match color to water clarity: natural craw and goby tones in clear water, brighter chartreuse or white when wind stains the first few feet.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Work posted-open Seneca parks and public accesses (Watkins / Geneva corridor public water as marked) — not private vineyard or cottage banks. Cast riprap and weed edges. Wait for frost to ease, then Ned and tube the first warm shelf.

KAYAK

Launch from a hard public ramp and keep hops inside protected water. Is the calm paddle for rock-to-weed transitions. PFD ; Seneca's long fetch builds serious chop.

BOAT

Trailer to a known hard ramp after a wind check. Points and deep weed edges. Slower rock presentations after frost.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait when wind puts ripple on edges.

MID

Keep a spinnerbait ripple on points. Cover — spinnerbait. Small crank.

BOTTOM

Tube, Ned, or drop-shot for rock and the first drop after cold nights. Grass / wood — creature bait, punch rig, or jig where mats and timber remain. Follow-up — weightless soft jerk or wacky worm after a boil or short strike.