FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Grand Lake O' the Cherokees area

Grand Lake O' the Cherokees

Oklahoma

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

Fair odds

4/10

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
− Unsettled · 16°F swing	+ No lightning	− Up to 15 mph · open-water chop	+ Clear / sunny (~1%)	~ Fall transition · turnover	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **60–66°F**, lows **37–53°F**, rain chance up to **~1%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

60° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	0 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:57 AM / 5:09 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

62° F high

LOW	43°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	S 5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:59 AM / 5:09 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

66° F high

LOW	53°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	S 5–15 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	7:00 AM / 5:08 PM

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

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING
- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:57 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 **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 ~60°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

They chase shad into creek arms and around docks at low light, then hold on brush and shade as the day warms. Spawning is long done, so this is a forage window.

ALSO BITING

Spotted bass. Rock and bluff transitions on the lower lake, especially when current runs.

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 Grand River Dam Authority 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
Pensacola Dam	No generation schedule posted by Grand River Dam Authority for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Generating now: no turbine flow at last reading (Mon 3:00 AM CT) Observed: pool 742.04 ft (9:19 pm CST, an earlier day - GRDA posts no date); observed outflow (USACE) 0 cfs (Mon 3:00 AM CT)	Grand River Dam Authority
Clarity	Any morning that a light breeze ripples a point; also good in the stained upper arms.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Fish public shoreline at Wolf Creek Park in Grove and around Honey Creek State Park at first light. Throw a buzzbait or walking bait along shady banks while the water is calm, then switch to a Texas-rigged creature bait or soft jerkbait along dock edges and brush you can reach legally.

KAYAK

Launch at Honey Creek State Park or a public ramp in the Grove area and work the dock rows in Honey Creek and Duck Creek. Throw a topwater at first light, then a weightless fluke or Ned rig around shady docks. Wear a PFD, carry water, and plan to be off the open water before the warmest part of afternoon.

BOAT

From Wolf Creek Park, Honey Creek State Park, or another public ramp, start on shaded docks in the Grove and Duck Creek arms at first light.

LURE BOX

TOP

Topwater or buzzbait.

MID

Soft jerkbait or fluke. Small crankbait.

BOTTOM

Texas rig or jig. Shaky head or Ned rig. Spinnerbait or swim jig.