Cougar

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST — Fair odds

6/10

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	~ Flat calm	− Rain up to ~85%	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **48–51°F**, lows **34–37°F**, rain chance up to **~85%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

49° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Rain Showers Likely
WIND	SW 2 mph
RAIN	~56%
SUN	—

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

TUESDAY NOV 17

51° F high

LOW	37°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	SSE 2 mph
RAIN	~85%
SUN	—

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

48° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Rain And Snow
WIND	E 2 mph
RAIN	~85%
SUN	—

Frame: Wet day — fish the front side of the rain; slow down and stay close to cover after it passes.

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

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (first light 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: 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 ~54°F — statewide median of 24 lake estimates from the observed air record (NOAA ACIS) — no

NATURAL FORAGE

No roster note on file for this water.

ALSO BITING

No roster note on file for this water.

PRESSURE

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

coordinates on file for this lake; no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending rising

DAM & WATER — GENERATION SCHEDULE

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDP 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
Cougar Dam	**No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDP for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18** Observed: pool 1,505.56 ft (Mon 4:20 AM CT)	USACE NWDP

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

No bank slot on file for this water — confirm access with the managing agency before you go.

KAYAK

No kayak slot on file for this water — confirm access with the managing agency before you go.

BOAT

No boat slot on file for this water — confirm access with the managing agency before you go.

LURE BOX

TOP

No topwater slot on file for this water — stay mid / bottom.

MID

No mid-depth slot on file for this water.

BOTTOM

No bottom slot on file for this water.