Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

**Weather**
National Weather Service forecast for Crescent Lake area

# Crescent Lake

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

## BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

**7** /10 — Fair odds

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

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|---|---|
| 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

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|---|---|
| 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

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|---|---|
| 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** **Trout plan: Target inflows and shoreline drop-offs as water cools; spoons, spinners and streamers, moderate.**

## BIOLOGY

### BASS STAGE

**Trout are in the fall transition — following bait into creeks and onto flats as water cools.**

Basis: estimated water ~54°F — statewide median of 24 lake estimates from the observed air record (NOAA ACIS) — no coordinates on file for this lake; no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending rising

### NATURAL FORAGE

**What's on the menu: We do not have a dated forage report for this window. Most likely, kokanee and other small fish, plus insects make up most of the menu this time of year.**

### ALSO BITING

**Kokanee are averaging about 13 inches. Find a school on your electronics, then troll or jig at that depth.**

### PRESSURE

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

## 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 | Check before you launch: the ODFW Central Zone regulations (one lake trout per day, 24-inch minimum, in the most recent report) and the Deschutes National Forest pages for launch status. | |
| Clarity | Light winds all three days mean flat, clear water, so fish will see your line and boat easily. | |

## ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

### BANK

Bank anglers can fish around Crescent Lake Campground and the beach at Tranquil Cove, where the shoreline drops toward deeper water. Expect cool starts near 46 to 47 degrees, so dress in layers.

### KAYAK

Launch off the beach at Tranquil Cove or at the Crescent Lake Campground low-water ramp, and stay close to shore. The lake is big, so head in when the wind picks up. Troll a small spinner or wooly bugger slowly behind the kayak along the drop-offs, and use a fish finder if you have one to spot the depth fish are holding .

### BOAT

Use the low-water ramp at Crescent Lake Campground, or launch a smaller boat off the beach at Tranquil Cove. Other ramps may be out of the water. Troll a minnow plug along the shoreline for browns at first light, then go deep with a downrigger or jig a heavy spoon for lake trout.

## LURE BOX

### TOP

Small dry fly or emerger on rising fish at dawn. Floating minnow twitched along the shoreline at first light.

### MID

Small inline spinner cast or trolled along the drop-offs. Slim spoon trolled at mid-depths. Wedding-ring spinner with a worm or corn behind a dodger.

### BOTTOM

PowerBait on a sliding-sinker rig. Nightcrawler floated just off the bottom. Balanced leech or chironomid under an indicator.