FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Fall Creek Lake

Oregon

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

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Fall Creek Lake area

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7 /10 — Fair odds

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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 **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, insects and small fish carried by the creek make up most of the menu this time of year.

ALSO BITING

Chinook passage. The drawdown helps young spring Chinook salmon pass downstream.

PRESSURE

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

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
Fall Creek Dam	No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDP for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 695.10 ft (Mon 4:15 AM CT); observed outflow (USACE) 194 cfs (Mon 4:00 AM CT)	USACE NWDP
Permit / regs	Check before you launch: the Corps of Engineers Portland District Fall Creek drawdown page, the Oregon State Marine Board access report for ramp status, and the ODFW Willamette Zone regulations for this water before you fish.	
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 walk out from North Shore in Fall Creek State Recreation Area toward the remaining pool and the old creek channel. Watch for soft mud on the exposed lakebed. Expect cool starts near 46 to 47 degrees, so dress in layers.

KAYAK

Launch at the North Shore low-water ramp and stay in the remaining pool near the dam. Stay out of the shallow channel where the current picks up during the drawdown. 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

North Shore has the only open ramp, a shallow low-water launch; Winberry and Cascara are closed. Small boats will launch most easily. Fish a small spinner, spoon, or streamer in the deeper water near the dam, and work the current seams where the creek enters the remaining pool.

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.