Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Fern Ridge area

Fern Ridge

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

Strong odds

8/10

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	+ 5–7 mph usable ripple	− Rain up to ~83%	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **49–52°F**, lows **36–40°F**, rain chance up to **~83%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

52° F high

LOW	38°F
SKY	Rain Showers Likely
WIND	SW 1–5 mph
RAIN	~57%
SUN	7:09 AM / 4:45 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

52° F high

LOW	40°F
SKY	Partly Sunny then Chance Light Rain
WIND	SSE 3–7 mph
RAIN	~83%
SUN	7:10 AM / 4:44 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

49° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Chance Light Rain
WIND	SSE 1–7 mph
RAIN	~52%
SUN	7:12 AM / 4:44 PM

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 · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:09 AM PST) → ~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.

Basis: estimated water ~56°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending rising

NATURAL FORAGE

What's on the menu: We don't have a dated forage report for this window.

ALSO BITING

Crappie · bluegill. Fern Ridge is known for panfish.

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
Fern Ridge Dam	No generation schedule posted by USACE NWDP for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 354.71 ft (Mon 4:00 AM CT); observed outflow (USACE) 887 cfs (Mon 4:00 AM CT)	USACE NWDP
Permit / regs	Start at the Perkins Peninsula day-use shoreline off Highway 126 before picnic traffic, then walk the shoreline at Richardson Park on Clear Lake Road and around Orchard Point Park, where weed edges and wood still come close to the bank.	
Clarity	In the fog, stay close to shore, use a light, and keep a whistle on your PFD, because visibility can drop quickly on open water.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Bring a light layer for the cool dawn and expect damp fog morning. Start at the Perkins Peninsula day-use shoreline off Highway 126 before picnic traffic, then walk the shoreline at Richardson Park on Clear Lake Road and around Orchard Point Park, where weed edges and wood still come close to the bank.

KAYAK

Launch at Perkins Peninsula or Richardson Park for short paddles to Coyote Creek and the mid-lake weed beds without long open-water crossings. In the fog, stay close to shore, use a light, and keep a whistle on your PFD, because visibility can drop quickly on open water.

BOAT

Launch at Orchard Point Park or Richardson Park, which have the main ramps and marina services on the north shore, or use Perkins Peninsula if it is open for your hull. Call Lane County Parks first, because shallow ramp ends become a problem at this time of year.

LURE BOX

TOP

Small frog in black or white over pad remnants. Buzzbait along shaded grass in the fog. Walking bait on calm, slick mornings.

MID

3/8 oz swim jig in green pumpkin or bluegill. Squarebill crankbait along wood and grass holes. Spinnerbait in white or chartreuse for low light.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged creature bait in weed holes. Punch rig or flipping jig in thicker mats. Ned rig or light jig on dam-end rock.