Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Owyhee area

Owyhee

Oregon

Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Mountain Time · Largemouth · Smallmouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

7 /10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	+ 3–9 mph usable ripple	− Rain up to ~96%	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **43–49°F**, lows **31–36°F**, rain chance up to **~96%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

49° F high

LOW	36°F
SKY	Widespread Rain Showers
WIND	NNW 0–3 mph
RAIN	~96%
SUN	7:44 AM / 5:23 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

48° F high

LOW	31°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	W 2–9 mph
RAIN	~33%
SUN	7:45 AM / 5:22 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

43° F high

LOW	33°F
SKY	Widespread Rain And Snow Showers
WIND	ESE 2–6 mph
RAIN	~89%
SUN	7:46 AM / 5:22 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: NNW → W → ESE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:44 AM MST) → ~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 ~52°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day

NATURAL FORAGE

Mild nights and hot sunny days pull smallmouth onto cliff slides, brush edges, and the first shade lines while the low late-season pool keeps fish concentrated on visible structure. What's on the menu: Dated hatch reports for this exact window are thin.

ALSO BITING

Largemouth · brush pockets. Brushy pockets still hold largemouth when rock smallmouth pause.

PRESSURE

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

response); no water-temperature gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

DAM & WATER — GENERATION SCHEDULE

FIXED Dam-controlled water. No generation schedule posted by Bureau of Reclamation 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
Owyhee Dam	No generation schedule posted by Bureau of Reclamation for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18	Bureau of Reclamation
Permit / regs	Confirm seasons and creel on the live ODFW page before you keep fish.	
Clarity	Color match: Owyhee often fishes clear to lightly stained.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Pack a shell for the cool desert dawn (times MT). Start along legal shoreline at Lake Owyhee State Park and McCormack Campground where cliff rock and brush still come close to the bank, and use reachable public shore toward the lower canyon when posted open.

KAYAK

Launch at Lake Owyhee State Park or McCormack for short paddles into cliff walls and brush without long open-canyon crossings. Soft breeze makes it easy to hold on lee rock with a tube or small crank and work a short slide before moving.

BOAT

Launch at Lake Owyhee State Park or other posted public ramps for the shortest runs to cliff slides and brush edges. Idle carefully near the dam restricted zone. Fish a tube or small crank along stone in the first hour, then slide to deeper walls and 8 to 20 ft rock with a Ned or light football jig as the sun climbs.

LURE BOX

TOP

Small walking bait on calm cliff pockets. Spinnerbait along rock edges at dawn. Compact buzzbait on shaded brush.

MID

Tube in green pumpkin or brown craw. 3/8 oz swim jig in baitfish or craw. Small crankbait along canyon walls.

BOTTOM

Ned rig on deeper slides. Light football jig on cliff rock. Drop-shot minnow when fish suspend.