FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Tahkenitch Lake

Oregon

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

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Tahkenitch Lake area

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

6/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	− Up to 16 mph · open-water chop	− Rain up to ~96%	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **53–56°F**, lows **39–43°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

55° F high

LOW	41°F
SKY	Light Rain Likely then Chance Rain Showers
WIND	S 2–7 mph
RAIN	~80%
SUN	7:12 AM / 4:50 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

56° F high

LOW	43°F
SKY	Patchy Fog then Light Rain
WIND	SE 6–16 mph
RAIN	~96%
SUN	7:13 AM / 4:49 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

53° F high

LOW	39°F
SKY	Light Rain Likely
WIND	SE 3–12 mph
RAIN	~68%
SUN	7:14 AM / 4:48 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: S → SE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:12 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 ~57°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 do not have a dated forage report for this window. Most likely, small baitfish and young sunfish and perch are the main meal along the weed edges and points, with crayfish on rocky banks and around wood.

ALSO BITING

Coho salmon. Fall-run coho enter Tahkenitch as the rains come.

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 Siuslaw National Forest pages for launch status, and the ODFW Southwest Zone regulations for the special coho rules on Tahkenitch before you fish for salmon.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Expect cool starts, near 52 to 53 degrees mornings, so dress in layers and plan for the bite to build by mid-morning. Bank access is limited, so start at Tahkenitch Landing Campground and its day-use area, and cast along the shoreline weed edges and wood near the launch.

KAYAK

Launch at Tahkenitch Landing and paddle into the nearest arm, out of the north wind. The long arms give miles of sheltered shoreline for a slow, quiet morning. On the windiest day, stay in protected coves and fish the windward points at the cove mouths.

BOAT

Launch at Tahkenitch Landing; the west-shore Tahkenitch Boat Ramp is closed for repairs. Run to the arms and fish weed edges and wood. Early, work wind-blown points and weed edges with spinnerbaits and squarebills.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait over weed flats on the warmest afternoon. Buzzbait along shady banks at first light. Hollow-body frog over matted weeds.

MID

3/8 oz spinnerbait on wind-blown points. Squarebill crankbait along weed edges and wood. Paddle-tail swimbait for suspended fish.

BOTTOM

Texas-rigged creature bait along weed edges. 3/8 oz jig on points and wood. Drop shot on deeper edges.