Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Lake Amistad area

Lake Amistad

Texas

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

8/10 — Strong odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Stable pattern	+ No lightning	− Up to 15 mph · open-water chop	+ Clear / sunny (~12%)	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **62–64°F**, lows **54–60°F**, rain chance up to **~12%**. Story is wind — pick banks the breeze is hitting and keep crossings short.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

62° F high

LOW	54°F
SKY	Mostly Cloudy
WIND	ENE 0–5 mph
RAIN	~10%
SUN	7:08 AM / 5:48 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

TUESDAY NOV 17

63° F high

LOW	55°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	SE 10 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	7:09 AM / 5:48 PM

Frame: Stable day — first-light moving bait, then slow down around shade and cover once the sun is up.

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

64° F high

LOW	60°F
SKY	Mostly Cloudy
WIND	SE 10–15 mph
RAIN	~12%
SUN	7:10 AM / 5:47 PM

Frame: Breeziest day — use ripple on wind-blown banks and points; open-water chop is higher risk.

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: ENE → SE · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:08 AM 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 **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 ~68°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 falling

NATURAL FORAGE

Cooler nights draw largemouth toward shallow rock and cover early and late in the day, and a lake that rose about three feet in a week adds freshly flooded brush that bass and baitfish use quickly. What's on the menu: shad and sunfish are the main forage.

ALSO BITING

Striped bass: popular for their strength and trophy potential, and kept up by TPWD stocking because they do not reproduce here. Catfish: channel and blue catfish are found throughout the lake, with an occasional flathead; stinkbait and cut bait work well.

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 the operator 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
Amistad (TWDB)	No generation schedule posted by the operator for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 1,069.88 ft (Mon 11/16)	the operator
Permit / regs	Fishing Mexican waters requires a Mexico fishing license for everyone aboard, so know where the boundary runs before you drift toward it.	
Clarity	How to fish this weather: Light winds and clear water make dawn and dusk the prime windows.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Start at Governors Landing, reached from Spur 349 toward Amistad Dam, where the National Park Service offers bank fishing but no ramp. TPWD worked with local groups to place a Christmas-tree fish habitat near the Governors Landing camping area.

KAYAK

Nearly calm winds make this a good paddling window. Launch at Diablo East, off US 90 west of Del Rio, or at Spur 454, and stay in protected coves rather than crossing open water. The NPS boat pass applies to boats with motors, so a paddle-only kayak can skip it, but check NPS rules for the area before launching.

BOAT

Launch at Diablo East, a long, steep four-lane National Park Service ramp, or at Rough Canyon, about 20 miles from Del Rio off US 277 North, which TPWD says is usable at most lake levels. Every motorized boat needs an NPS boat pass.

LURE BOX

TOP

Topwater baits and buzzbaits, which TPWD says work well early and late. A walking bait or popper in bone or shad colors over rocky points and flooded brush.

MID

Spinnerbaits at dawn and dusk, and crankbaits along rocky shorelines, points, and drop-offs. A jerkbait for bass suspended over ledges in clear water.

BOTTOM

Texas- and Carolina-rigged worms or grubs, the midday choice TPWD highlights for deeper water near vegetation or rock. A football jig on ledges and rock piles.