FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Rockport Reservoir area

Rockport Reservoir

Utah

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

3/10

Poor odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
− Unsettled · 15°F swing	+ No lightning	− Up to 16 mph · open-water chop	− Rain up to ~97%	+ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **41–56°F**, lows **20–31°F**, rain chance up to **~97%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

56° F high

LOW	31°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	SSE 8–13 mph
RAIN	~4%
SUN	7:13 AM / 5:06 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

50° F high

LOW	20°F
SKY	Light Rain then Rain And Snow
WIND	S 12–16 mph
RAIN	~97%
SUN	7:14 AM / 5:05 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

41° F high

LOW	21°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	S 3–9 mph
RAIN	~71%
SUN	7:15 AM / 5:05 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: SSE → S · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:13 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 **Smallmouth plan: Go subsurface and a notch slower: edges of drop-offs, rocky points and bluff ends between the fall flats and the 20-40 ft winter depth; jerkbait with pauses, small jig or hula grub on the bottom, blade bait ripped off the bottom on points.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Smallmouth are in the late fall transition — water in the low-to-mid 50s, so they are staging on drop-off edges, points and bends between their summer spots and the deep wintering holes.

Basis: estimated water ~46°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day

NATURAL FORAGE

Cool nights pull bait toward the Weber River channel and related edges, and rainbow trout follow that forage. What's on the menu: fall baitfish and shad where present, with sunfish and crawfish around docks, rocks, and timber.

ALSO BITING

Secondary species and park fishing stay in play around the same access points listed above. Arrive early on sunny days — recreational traffic builds after midmorning even.

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 USACE SPK 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
Wanship Dam & Rockport Lake	No generation schedule posted by USACE SPK for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18 Observed: pool 5,996.45 ft (Sun 1:00 AM CT)	USACE SPK
Permit / regs	Regulations: Confirm current bag and length limits with Utah DWR before you keep fish, and confirm park day-use fees and any no-wake or closure rules with Rockport State Park before you launch.	
Clarity	The primary fishery this week is rainbow trout — rainbow trout and smallmouth in cool clear water.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Start at Rockport State Park main ramp and at Juniper / Crandall campground bank access, both public access points where you can reach shoreline at first light without blocking the ramps. Fish away from the loading piers and keep courtesy docks clear for trailers.

KAYAK

Launch at Rockport State Park main ramp to reach protected water near the Weber River channel, or use Juniper / Crandall campground bank access to work Crandall Cove without fighting the busiest boat traffic. Rockport State Park main ramp also puts a kayak into quieter water close to riprap and shade.

BOAT

Launch at Rockport State Park main ramp, Juniper / Crandall campground bank access, or Kayak launch near the main ramp — public ramps that serve the main arms anglers use this week. Idle clear of ski courses and swim beaches, and confirm which ramps sit in the water before you tow.

LURE BOX

TOP

Topwater & walking baits. Small walking baits. Poppers.

MID

White or chartreuse spinnerbaits. Lipless cranks. Small paddle-tail swimbaits for covering mouths and points when fish are moving with shad or baitfish.

BOTTOM

Texas-rig worms, shaky heads, and jigs in green pumpkin or watermelon around docks, timber, brush, and the first drop. Flip shade lines once the sun is high and the surface bite fades.