Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Starvation Reservoir area

Starvation Reservoir

Utah

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

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

5/10 — Fair odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 5–10 mph usable ripple	− Rain up to ~85%	− Winter	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **45–52°F**, lows **27–33°F**, rain chance up to **~85%**. Story is the wet stretch — bite windows ride the rain timing, not the calendar.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

52° F high

LOW	33°F
SKY	Partly Sunny
WIND	N 5 mph
RAIN	~17%
SUN	7:08 AM / 5:04 PM

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

TUESDAY NOV 17

47° F high

LOW	28°F
SKY	Slight Chance Rain And Snow then Rain And Snow
WIND	E 1–7 mph
RAIN	~85%
SUN	7:09 AM / 5:03 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

45° F high

LOW	27°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	WSW 3–10 mph
RAIN	~27%
SUN	7:10 AM / 5:02 PM

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: N → E → WSW · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING
- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:08 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

WINTER **Smallmouth plan: Fish 20-40 ft rock and steep breaks; hair jig, blade bait or float-n-fly, very slow.**

BIOLOGY

BASS STAGE

Smallmouth are in the winter pattern — slow metabolism, holding deep and tight to structure.

Basis: estimated water ~43°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

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

Threadfin shad die-off band (below 45°F) — dying shad drift

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.

below dams and into deep creek channels.

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
Starvation Dam & Reservoir	No generation schedule posted by USACE SPK for Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18	USACE SPK
Permit / regs	Call or check the board for Fred Hayes State Park at Starvation main ramp and State Park day-use bank before you leave.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Start at Fred Hayes State Park at Starvation main ramp and at State Park day-use bank, 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 Fred Hayes State Park at Starvation main ramp to reach protected water near Strawberry River arm, or use State Park day-use bank to work dam face without fighting the busiest boat traffic. Fred Hayes State Park at Starvation main ramp also puts a kayak into quieter water close to riprap and shade.

BOAT

Launch at Fred Hayes State Park at Starvation main ramp, State Park day-use bank, or Secondary park launch if posted open — 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.