Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

Weather
National Weather Service forecast for Harriman Reservoir area

Harriman Reservoir

Vermont
Mon Nov 16 – Wed Nov 18, 2026 · Eastern Time · Largemouth

BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

8/10 — Strong odds

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PRESSURE	STORMS	WIND	SKY / RAIN	BASS STAGE	CROWD
+ Mostly stable	+ No lightning	+ 5–6 mph usable ripple	+ Clear / sunny (~1%)	~ Fall transition	+ Weekday · lighter traffic

WEEK Early-week setup on this water — highs **43–52°F**, lows **27–34°F**, rain chance up to **~1%**. Story is light and bait position — dawn and last light carry the window.

THREE-DAY WEATHER

MONDAY NOV 16

43° F high

LOW	27°F
SKY	Mostly Sunny
WIND	NW 6 mph
RAIN	~1%
SUN	6:44 AM / 4:27 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	33°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	NW 5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:45 AM / 4:26 PM

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

WEDNESDAY NOV 18

52° F high

LOW	34°F
SKY	Sunny
WIND	W 5 mph
RAIN	~0%
SUN	6:46 AM / 4:26 PM

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: NW → W · Bite window: dawn + last light

HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (6:44 AM EST) → ~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 ~50°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day response); no water-temperature

NATURAL FORAGE

What they are eating: Yellow perch, small baitfish, and crayfish on rock. Largemouth in the timber are eating sunfish and perch.

ALSO BITING

Yellow perch are a good family option near the access areas. Rainbow trout and brown trout are present in the cooler, deeper water.

PRESSURE

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

gauge on the lake; air record trending falling

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 the live Vermont Fish & Wildlife regulations before you keep fish.	

ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Public shoreline at Ward's Cove, the Mount Mills picnic area, and the posted Fairview area puts rock, timber, and points within a short walk. Verify posted access and keep any launch area clear. Cast a small swimbait or spinnerbait along rocky shoreline in the afternoon.

KAYAK

Launch at the Woods Road car-top access or at Ward's Cove when the main access areas are busy. Harriman is large, and a west wind can build waves on the main lake, so stay in the coves and along the shoreline afternoon. Are good paddle days.

BOAT

Cover rocky points and the main-lake shoreline with a jerkbait, spinnerbait, or crankbait in the afternoon chop. Start late and fish deeper rock in 15 to 25 feet with a drop-shot or tube. Run the sunny points from late morning and finish in the timbered coves in the afternoon.

LURE BOX

TOP

Walking bait on calm sunny mornings over rock. Small popper on protected points. Buzzbait only on overcast, breezy afternoons.

MID

Suspending jerkbait (ghost minnow / perch) on cold mornings. Small swimbait on a light head along rock. Spinnerbait on windy points.

BOTTOM

Tube (green pumpkin / smoke) dragged on rock. Ned rig on gravel flats. Drop-shot with a small minnow or goby profile.