Monday Cast live · Nov 16–18, 2026

# Hugh M Gillis Pfa

Georgia

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

**Weather**
National Weather Service forecast for Hugh M Gillis Pfa area

## BITE ODDS · THIS CAST

**8**/10 — Strong odds

0 2 4 6 8 10

| PRESSURE | STORMS | WIND | SKY / RAIN | BASS STAGE | CROWD |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| + Mostly stable | + No lightning | + 10–10 mph usable ripple | + Clear / sunny (~1%) | ~ Fall transition · turnover | + Weekday · lighter traffic |

**WEEK** Early-week setup on this water — highs **63–72°F**, lows **37–46°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

**63°** F high

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|---|---|
| LOW | 37°F |
| SKY | Areas Of Frost then Partly Sunny |
| WIND | NE 5–10 mph |
| RAIN | ~0% |
| SUN | 7:01 AM / 5:29 PM |

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

### TUESDAY NOV 17

**68°** F high

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|---|---|
| LOW | 40°F |
| SKY | Mostly Sunny |
| WIND | NE 5–10 mph |
| RAIN | ~0% |
| SUN | 7:02 AM / 5:29 PM |

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

### WEDNESDAY NOV 18

**72°** F high

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|---|---|
| LOW | 46°F |
| SKY | Sunny |
| WIND | NE 10 mph |
| RAIN | ~1% |
| SUN | 7:03 AM / 5:28 PM |

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

Window: Mon–Wed · Air: NE · Bite window: dawn + last light

## HOW TO FISH THIS WEATHER

### MORNING

- Shallow cover, points, creek mouths
- **First light (7:01 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: 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. Possible turnover window on stratified reservoirs — the bite can go off for a few days.**

Basis: estimated water ~64°F — 75-day observed air record (NOAA ACIS) lagged for a lake (14-day

### NATURAL FORAGE

**Glassy midday water pushes fish tight to shade and cover around Laurens County. Gillis PFA to settle into predictable shade lines you can re-hit without a long run.**

### ALSO BITING

**Crappie can show on a slow midday drop along the first break near Hugh M Gillis PFA Upper ramp (Laurens County). Bluegill mix on the same shade lines you fish for bass — keep a light jig ready as a bonus cast.**

### 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

## WATER BOARD — LAKE CHEAT SHEET

FIXED Natural / small-impoundment water — no generation table. Check access rules and level notes with the managing agency before you go.

| ITEM | NOTE | SOURCE |
|---|---|---|
| Permit / regs | Gillis PFA, verify trailer parking and any day-use rules before you leave the lot. | |
| Clarity | Water clarity / depth. | |

## ACCESS — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

### BANK

Bank fishing starts at Hugh M Gillis PFA Upper ramp (Laurens County), where you can reach flooded timber, brush, and the first break off the paved Public Fishing Area ramp within a short walk of the truck. Work a soft stickbait or weightless fluke along shade lines, then pitch a compact jig into the nearest cover.

### KAYAK

Kayak anglers should launch at Hugh M Gillis PFA Upper ramp (Laurens County) and hug the protected shoreline rather than crossing open water when a breeze is up.

### BOAT

Trailers use Hugh M Gillis PFA Upper ramp (Laurens County) — launch, clear the lane, and idle out before you plane. At first light, run points, edges, and secondary drops with a squarebill or spinnerbait, then slow down with a Texas-rigged beaver when the sun climbs.

## LURE BOX

### TOP

Lipless crankbait.

### MID

Wacky-rig stickbait. Football jig. Carolina-rig trail.

### BOTTOM

Finesse worm. Stain/clear: On stained water at Hugh M. Gillis PFA, lean chartreuse and black/blue; on clearer afternoons, natural green pumpkin and translucent stickbaits get more looks.