



FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Pearl River Corridor: Low Stage at Jackson, Heat Monday & Inland Freshwater Only

Monday Sep 21 – Thursday Sep 24, 2026 · Pearl River freshwater below Ross Barnett / inland corridor · bank, kayak & boat · Monday morning through Thursday evening focus

Mon ~97° · HI ~105

USGS 02486000 · 3.16 ft / 129 cfs

KJAN baro ~30.00 in

No named trail event Mon–Thu

When the Pearl at Jackson sits near three feet and a hundred-odd cfs, you fish inland freshwater seams, shade, and current edges that actually exist — and you leave the salt talk for another newsletter.

● MIDWEEK OUTLOOK

NWS Jackson / MSZ049 (Pearl / metro corridor) pulled Sun Sep 20, 2026 · ~12:05–12:14 PM CT — same grid family as Ross Barnett. **Monday high near 97°F** with heat index as high as **~105**, mostly sunny then slight rain-shower chance (~20%). Tue still hot (~96°); Wed–Thu cool to **~92 → 90** under sun. **No active NWS MS alerts** at pull. Soft weekday recreational; **no named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu** on this corridor.

Barometer: **KJAN 30.00 in** (~11:54 CDT Sep 20). Scope is **freshwater inland only** below Ross Barnett / Pearl corridor — not coastal/salt. USGS **02486000** Pearl River at Jackson: stage **3.16 ft**, flow **129 cfs** (provisional) @ **11:30 CDT Sep 20**.

WINDOW

Mon–Thu

through Thu evening CT

PATTERN

Metro heat Mon–Tue →
gradual cool Wed–Thu

CROWD / PRESSURE

Weekday soft on the river corridor. **No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu.** Residual metro pressure possible after Sep 19 Ross Barnett events; **Sep 26 MediaBass Ross Barnett Championship** in lookahead (reservoir — adjacent pressure).

MONDAY SEP 21

High ~97° · HI ~105

Slight shower chance PM (~20%)

Dawn shade / current edges; hydrate

Sunrise ~06:47 CT (Jackson)

TUESDAY SEP 22

High ~96° · Sunny

Still hot — early/late priority

Low ~70° overnight

Re-check USGS 02486000

WEDNESDAY SEP 23

High ~92° · Sunny

Cooler air helps bank/kayak comfort

NNE 5–10 mph

Current seams at 129 cfs class flow

THURSDAY SEP 24

High ~90° · Sunny

Soft recreational finish

Low ~64° class nights arriving

Sunset ~18:56 CT

Jackson sunrise/sunset Mon: **06:47 / 19:00 CT.**

● DAM & CURRENT CHEAT SHEET (PEARL INLAND / USGS)

This product is the **Pearl River freshwater corridor below Ross Barnett** (inland only). Live river numbers from USGS **02486000** at Jackson. Ross Barnett pool/gates are a separate product — cited only for upstream context, not as this Cast's primary water.

WATER	LEVEL / STATUS	FLOW / NOTES	BITE NOTE
Pearl @ Jackson (USGS 02486000)	Stage 3.16 ft @ 11:30 CDT Sep 20 (P)	Flow 129 cfs (P)	Low-moderate inland flow — fish seams, shade, outside bends
Upstream context (Ross Barnett)	USGS 02485600 elev 296.97 ft @ 11:15 CDT (separate product)	PRVWSD gate/cfs not found this pull	Do not invent Rez gates for the river Cast

CURRENT SEAMS / BENDS

At ~129 cfs, expect subtle current — target outside bends, laydowns, and shade lines rather than big turbine boils.

BANK / METRO ACCESS

Public parks and legal banks along the inland Pearl; respect private property and any metro restrictions.

HEAT / TRAFFIC

Mon HI ~105 — hydrate. No named trail event on the river Mon–Thu; watch Sep 26 Rez championship for metro ramp spillover.

USGS provisional values change — re-check 02486000 before launch. Freshwater inland scope only.

● HOW TO FISH IT — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

Metro/public Pearl banks at dawn/dusk shade.

Hydrate — Mon HI ~105.

Watch footing on clay banks; skip posted private shore.

KAYAK

Ideal platform at 129 cfs class flow — eddy lines and woody shade.

PFD on; watch recreational ski wake near metro stretches.

No named trail event in window.

BOAT

Small craft / jon boat friendly on this flow class — read depth.

Fish current seams and shade; don't invent big generation current.

Weekday ease vs weekend metro traffic.

● ETHANOL-FREE FUEL NEAR THIS WATER

PURE-GAS.ORG E0 · CLOSEST TO PIN

Source: [Pure-Gas.org](https://pure-gas.org) station identity · pulled **Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 12:08 PM CT**

Current prices (as of Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 12:34 PM CT) — may change; verify at the pump.

Waring Oil — 630 Us Hwy 80 E, Flowood, MS · ~0.5 mi · TEXACO · 87 octane E0 · price not listed — verify at pump

Jackson Ice Co — 607 S Jefferson St, Jackson, MS · ~0.8 mi · UNBRANDED · 87 / 89 / 93 E0 · price not listed — verify at pump

Circle K #2723738 — 1264 High St, Jackson, MS · ~1.6 mi · CIRCLE K · 87 octane E0 · **\$3.99 Regular** (area/GB)

Raju Food Mart — 2890 Us Hwy 80 E, Pearl, MS · ~3.2 mi · UNBRANDED · 87 octane E0 · price not listed — verify at pump

Listed E0 stations as of Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 12:08 PM CT from Pure-Gas.org (crowdsourced). GasBuddy used for current-price overlay only — may change; verify at the pump. Call ahead — availability changes.

● LURE BOX — TOP / MID / BOTTOM

TOP

Walking bait / popper on shady bank shad

Buzzbait along wood if stained

Small frog only where pads exist

MID

Spinnerbait on stained seams

Squarebill into wood / rip-rap

Soft swimbait (shad) on outside bends

BOTTOM

Texas-rig creature in laydowns

Jig / craw on deeper outside bends

Ned / shaky on clearer midweek stretches

Stain/clear: Clarity not measured — river stain varies; darker after any shower; natural if clear.

● BASS LIFE STAGE + WHAT'S ON THE MENU

Late summer → early fall transition on an inland river corridor. Low stage/flow favors precise presentations to wood and shade rather than big open-water schools.

What's on the menu (dated hatch thin — most likely): **shad**, **sunfish/bluegill**, and **crawfish** on wood/rock. Match the hatch with shad profiles in current seams and craw/GP in laydowns. No named insect hatch sourced.

● ALSO HOT / ALSO IN SEASON

- **Crappie:** brush and slower eddies — early-fall river play.
- **Catfish:** deeper holes / outside bends on cut bait (channel/blue as locally relevant).
- **Gar / bowfin:** sight/opportunistic in oxbow-adjacent cuts — not a primary target list item, mention only if encountered.

Regs: live-check only — [MDWFP Fishing](#). Never hardcode length/creel inches in **Cast** text.

Looking ahead (1–3 weeks): Cooler nights into late September should improve dawn bank/kayak windows on the inland Pearl. **No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu** on this corridor. Lookahead: **Sat Sep 26 MediaBass Ross Barnett Championship** (adjacent metro reservoir pressure). Re-pull USGS 02486000 + NWS JAN.

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