



FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY CAST

Eagle Valley Reservoir: Storm Odds Mon–Tue, Thin Level Board & Trout Dawn

Spring Valley State Park · Lincoln County · Fri Oct 2 – Sun Oct 4, 2026 · bank / kayak / boat · times PT

Mon–Tue thunderstorms likely (NWS VEF)

Highs ~66° Mon → ~69° Tue → ~76° Wed (NWS VEF)

Level board thin — confirm Spring Valley SP ramp

Primary: trout · soft recreational pressure

Early October on Eagle Valley Reservoir — cool dawn windows, quiet weather, and a Fri–Sun bite that rewards first light before weekend traffic builds.

● MIDWEEK OUTLOOK

NWS band pull (middle / Topaz representative) — applied to Eagle Valley Reservoir keeps a **quiet early-October pattern** for this Friday **Cast** window (Fri–Sun) at Eagle Valley Reservoir. **Friday** ~90°F / ~56°F, patchy smoke, wind SW 5 to 10 mph. **Saturday** ~89°F / ~57°F, sunny, wind E 0 to 10 mph. **Sunday** ~89°F / ~58°F, mostly sunny, wind N 0 to 10 mph. Storm chances stay **near zero** across the window. Reader clocks below are **PT** (water-local).

For trout: lean **first light through mid-morning** on windward points, creek arms, and ramp-adjacent structure before afternoon warmth or breeze rearranges the bite. Weekend recreational pressure usually runs heavier than midweek — **no named B.A.S.S. / FLW / ABA trail event pulled** for this water on Oct 2–4.

FRIDAY OCT 2

~90°F

Low ~56° · ~0% storms · SW 5 to 10 mph

Patchy Smoke — fish the cool dawn window first

Sunrise **6:55 AM** · Sunset **6:35 PM** PT

Best bite: first light–mid-morning on points and creek mouths

SATURDAY OCT 3

~89°F

Low ~57° · ~0% storms · E 0 to 10 mph

Sunny; use any breeze for windward presentations

Sunrise **6:56 AM** · Sunset **6:33 PM** PT

Best bite: dawn shallow; mid-day slide deeper if the sun climbs hard

SUNDAY OCT 4

~89°F

Low ~58° · ~0% storms · N 0 to 10 mph

Mostly Sunny — another clean fall day; expect more weekend traffic

Sunrise **6:57 AM** · Sunset **6:32 PM** PT

Best bite: first light again before the Sunday crowd piles on

WINDOW NOTE

Fri–Sun only

Next Cast cycle covers Mon onward

Monday trend: watch the local NWS grid for cool-down or wind shift

No storm train flagged for this corridor at pull

Clarity unconfirmed; protected arms often fish clearer after calm nights

● **DAM / LEVEL CHEAT SHEET**

Eagle Valley Reservoir (Spring Valley State Park) had **no live USGS elev/storage series** on this Sunday-night pull. Treat Nevada State Parks ramp notices, on-site staff, and visual pool cues as the failover board — no guessed number on this thin board. Soft thin-board notes only. Lead trout honestly on this water. Schedules **can change without notice**.

NODE	PULL SNAPSHOT	OPS SIGNAL	BITE CONTEXT
Eagle Valley Reservoir Spring Valley SP	: level thin No live USGS elev/storage at pull	Failover: Nevada State Parks pages + on-site signage <i>Confirm ramp before you trailer</i>	Fish points and inlet edges you can prove; skip guessed depths
Spring Valley SP ramp Nevada State Parks	Public launch hub for this pin	Confirm park hours / fees / ramp live	Dawn first light is the trout window when storms allow
Storm pulse Mon–Tue NWS VEF	High storm odds Mon night / Tue	Lightning = get off the water	Fish cell edges; Sunday sunny is the reset

Honest thin board: No live USGS elev/storage for Eagle Valley at this pull. Confirm Nevada State Parks Spring Valley notices and on-site ramp status before you go. Dam restricted zones are off-limits.

MAIN LAKE FRI–SUN

- Mon–Tue storm lulls: protected park edges at first light
- Sunday sunny warm-up: beat the heat, then go deeper
- Level thin — confirm the Spring Valley SP ramp before you trailer

SAFETY

- Lightning Friday–Saturday is the hard stop
- High-desert nights are cool — dress in layers for dawn
- Never fish inside dam restricted water

● HOW TO FISH IT

BANK

Spring Valley State Park public shoreline is the weekday bank hub — dawn walk-and-cast with a small spoon or Rooster Tail along park edges while Friday–Saturday storm light softens the sky. Midday Sunday sun pushes trout deeper. Give trailer traffic room at the park ramp, confirm the ramp is open before you commit, and watch slick mud after cells pass. Soft park pressure midweek still rewards an early walk over a crowded sunny afternoon.

KAYAK

Protected park arms suit a kayak better on Sunday's sunny morning than on a Friday thunder day. Launch from the public park ramp when open, work 6–14 ft edges at first light for trout, and duck to shore when thunder starts. Wear a PFD, keep runs short inside the park arms, and stay visible to trailered boats near the ramp. Confirm water level visually before you load — the live board was thin at pull.

BOAT

Idle out at first light when the park ramp is open, graph points for bait, and stay mobile. Friday–Saturday: fish cell edges. Sunday: classic sunny high-desert trout morning. Soft recreational pressure midweek; confirm level and ramp footing visually before you plane out. Keep a cove backup on the plan so a sudden breeze still ends with lines in the water instead of an empty main-pool slog.

● LURE BOX

TOP

Small spoons / Kastmasters at dawn

Dry fly or hopper on calm banks when rises show

Skip hard topwater in heavy rain

MID

Rooster Tail / Panther Martin along park points

Soft hackle / nymph under indicator

Stickbait slow-rolled mid-column

BOTTOM

Weighted nymphs / eggs near bottom

Jig + mealworm / PowerBait where legal

Spoons deep after 10 AM on sunny Sunday

● TROUT LIFE STAGE

Early October at Eagle Valley is early-fall trout season under a storm-then-sun pattern. Cool nights and Friday–Saturday storm light favor first-light feeding; Sunday sun pushes fish deeper. Lead trout honestly — this is not a bass-first water this week.

● NATURAL FORAGE

Most-likely menu: midges/mayflies where present and baitfish along points. Hatch reports are thin — match size to what you see. After storms, expect slightly stained inlet water and lean brighter profiles briefly.

● ALSO HOT / ALSO IN SEASON

Largemouth — secondary on warmer edges when present. Confirm Nevada State Parks / NDOW regs before you keep fish.

● HEAVY TRAFFIC

Fri Oct 2 – Sun Oct 4: no named national trail event pulled for Eagle Valley this midweek window. Soft recreational at Spring Valley SP — storms thin Friday–Saturday. Boat counts are not posted — treat pressure as soft weekday recreational unless a named event is on the calendar.

Pressure note: fish early, give trailer traffic room at the public ramp, and stay civil around bank anglers. Soft midweek recreational is the default when no named event is on the board.

● ETHANOL-FREE FUEL · PURE-GAS.ORG E0 · THIS WATER

Closest Pure-Gas.org ethanol-free listings near Eagle Valley Reservoir (stations only — verify grade at the pump; listings can change):

Maverik #766 — 150 N Highway 91, Littlefield, AZ (~79.5 mi) · ethanol-free MAVERIK 88

Maverik #342 — 14 N Sandhill Blvd, Mesquite, NV (~84.6 mi) · ethanol-free MAVERIK 88

Flying J — 1057 S Lower Flat Top Dr, Mesquite, NV (~85.7 mi) · ethanol-free FLYING J 91

R Place — 909 E Altman, Ely, NV (~92.4 mi) · ethanol-free SHELL 88

No pump prices in this Cast. Confirm ethanol-free grade at the pump if that matters for your motor.

● LOOKING AHEAD

Thursday trends sunny near 80°F under light air — a soft extension of Sunday. Next 1–3 weeks: watch NWS Las Vegas for the next storm pulse and confirm Spring Valley SP ramp status before every trailer run.

Regs: Nevada State Parks / Spring Valley SP rules + NDOW freshwater regs (live).

● ON THE WATER THIS WINDOW

Idle a known edge at a slow pace before the first cast and mark bait height on the graph. If bait is up in the top few feet at dawn, start with a faster search bait; if the cloud is down on the break, go mid-column or bottom first. Re-scan after lunch — the same edge often looks empty on the graph once the sun is overhead even when fish are still there in the shade of cover or rock.

Any storm chance midweek is the pattern breaker: if cells fire, fish the edges carefully and get off the water for lightning. A stained inlet the morning after rain can outproduce a clear main-lake flat for a day or two. Keep the live Nevada regs page bookmarked — slot and length rules do not care how long your drive was.

● ACCESS PULSE

Public ramps are the honest gate on this water — confirm hours, fees, and ramp condition before you trailer, especially after any overnight weather. Soft mud, unmarked rock, and drawdown shelves are the usual desert-reservoir tax. Give trailer traffic room at the apron, idle in no-wake zones, and leave private docks alone.

Carry a simple plan B: if the primary ramp is crowded or closed, have a second legal public access in mind and stick to a second legal public access rather than crossing posted land. Midweek recreational pressure is usually light enough that the first legal ramp you planned is still

the right call.

● **READER CHECKLIST**

Before you leave the driveway: confirm the public ramp is open, pull the latest NWS day card for your launch hour, and confirm the level board named in the Dam / level cheat sheet. Soft boards and storm odds change overnight — the Cast is a Sunday-night snapshot, not a substitute for the live page.

On the water, start with one honest search pass at first light, then slow down only when bait or birds prove the spot. Midday under sunny highs is when most anglers grind empty shallows — slide deeper, find shade, or switch to a finesse presentation rather than repeating the same empty bank cast. End the day with a quick gear rinse and a note about what actually produced, so Friday's Cast window starts smarter.

Shared safety once more: life jacket on, lightning means leave, and private docks stay private. Desert reservoirs reward the prepared angler and punish the rushed one — especially when Friday's storm odds and Sunday's heat bookend the same short midweek window.

● **SOURCES**

NWS Las Vegas (VEF) point forecast (Sunday night PT pull) · Nevada State Parks Spring Valley · NWS VEF · NDOW (live) · USGS elev/storage thin at pull — confirm on site before you launch · Pure-Gas.org ethanol-free station listings · Trail calendars skimmed for named events (none confirmed for this window). Schedules change — confirm before launch.