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Lake Chelan: Midweek Window, Local PT Clock & Species-Honest Plan

Monday Sep 21 – Thursday Sep 24, 2026 · Lake Chelan · bank, kayak & boat · Monday morning through Thursday evening · times in PT

Mon ~81°

Thu ~65°

OTX · PT

No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu

Lower Chelan smallmouth are a State Park weekday plan — rock and docks early, then deeper edges when the big lake shows its teeth in the afternoon wind.

• MIDWEEK OUTLOOK

NWS OTX / Lake Chelan corridor (grid OTX 54,116; pulled Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:53 PM CT): Use the daytime cards below for Mon–Thu planning. All reader-facing clock language is **PT** — never force Central on this water.

Barometer / sky: Re-check local METAR and the NWS office page before launch; Sunday evening boards can miss Monday updates.

Crowd: Weekday soft recreational. **No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu** in this research pass. Looking ahead 1–3 weeks: re-check major trail calendars and agency pages before the Friday Cast — flag sourced events as **Heavy Traffic** when found. Never invent boat counts or fake tournaments.

WINDOW

Mon–Thu

through Thu evening PT

WATER CLARITY / DEPTH

Estimate: often clear lower lake; arms stain after wind. SMB shallow early; deep coolwater species separate.

CROWD / PRESSURE

Weekday soft. **No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu.** Soft recreational only — no invented boat counts.

Primary species: Smallmouth bass. **Also on this water:** see section below — water-first, not bass-by-default when another species leads.

MONDAY SEP 21

**~81°F · Areas Of Smoke then
Mostly Sunny · precip ~0% ·
wind SE 2 mph**

Dawn primary window for Smallmouth bass

Soft weekday recreational pressure

TUESDAY SEP 22

**~76°F · Mostly Sunny · precip
~0% · wind W 0 to 5 mph**

Dawn primary window for Smallmouth bass

Soft weekday recreational pressure

WEDNESDAY SEP 23

**~69°F · Mostly Sunny · precip
~0% · wind SW 0 to 3 mph**

Dawn primary window for Smallmouth bass

Soft weekday recreational pressure

THURSDAY SEP 24

**~65°F · Mostly Cloudy then
Chance Rain Showers · precip
~40% · wind 0 mph**

Lightning plan — off water for cells

Fish stain lines / edges after cells

● DAM & CURRENT / GENERATOR SCHEDULE CHEAT SHEET

Chelan Dam / PUD ops affect the outlet; main-lake level usually stable — verify Chelan PUD notices. Not a fake generator schedule. Access hub: **Lake Chelan State Park boat ramp — lower lake**. Agency framing: Chelan PUD / WA State Parks / WDFW.

PROJECT / WATER	OBSERVED	GENERATOR SCHEDULE	HOW TO FISH IT
Lake Chelan Chelan PUD / WA State Parks / WDFW	No live USGS elev/cfs pulled for this product in this batch. Do not invent elev/cfs. Sunday evening boards are often thin — soft re-check before launch.	No fixed Mon–Thu public unit calendar confirmed in this pull. Use agency recording/web boards when listed. Soft re-check language only.	Fish habitat and bait first; when discharge pulses, seams and bait rearrange. Stay out of restricted lock/dam water.

Schedules change — re-check before launch.

● HOW TO FISH IT — BANK / KAYAK / BOAT

BANK

State Park rock and public shoreline for SMB at dawn with finesse plastics. Clear water means fluorocarbon and longer casts. Respect park hours and swim areas.

KAYAK

Kayak lower-lake pockets; the main stem can get rough. PFD and skip long open-water hauls when north wind builds.

BOAT

Graph rock and bait for SMB; leave deep trout/kokanee to dedicated gear if that is your day. Soft weekday recreational at the State Park ramp vs summer weekends.

● LURE BOX — TOP / MID / BOTTOM

TOP

Small walker / popper on calm rock

MID

Spinnerbait
Soft jerk

BOTTOM

Dropshot
Ned / tube
Light jig

Stain/clear: Match darker profiles in stained cover; natural/green/smoke when clearer. Tie lure size to forage below.

• PRIMARY LIFE STAGE + WHAT'S ON THE MENU

Smallmouth bass — Clear-water early-fall SMB on lower Chelan rock.

What's on the menu (dated hatch thin — most likely): Craw and small baitfish — natural colors.

• ALSO HOT / ALSO IN SEASON

- **Lake trout** — deep
- **Landlocked chinook** — seasonal
- **Kokanee** — deeper seasonal

WDFW fishing regulations: wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/regulationslive-check only; do not hardcode inches or seasons.

• ETHANOL-FREE FUEL NEAR THIS WATER

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Source: [Pure-Gas.org](https://pure-gas.org) station identity · pulled **Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:53 PM CT**

Current prices (as of Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:53 PM CT) — may change; verify at the pump. Pure-Gas does not publish pump prices. Station-specific E0 prices were not confirmed in this batch — price not listed — verify at pump. Do not treat area regular as confirmed E0.

Watsons Haverene Resort — 7750 S Lakeshore Road, Chelan, WA · ~0.2 mi · 87 octane E0 — Single pump in the marina price not listed — verify at pump 509-687-3720 [Pure-Gas](https://pure-gas.org)

Deep Water C Store — 455 Wapato Lake Rd, Manson, WA · ~3.1 mi · 92 octane E0 — This gas station has ethanol free fuel, the pumps have yellow handles for a visual aid. This gas station is part of... price not listed — verify at pump 509-634-3210 [Pure-Gas](https://pure-gas.org)

Pat And Mike's Chevron — 53 S Lakeshore Rd, Chelan, WA · ~5.5 mi · 91 octane E0 price not listed — verify at pump 509-682-2841 [Pure-Gas](https://pure-gas.org)

Green Petroleum — 20 Hwy 150, Chelan, WA · ~9.7 mi · 87/90/92 octane E0 — Pacific Pride, Voyager, Wright Express, Comdata, TCH, T-Chek, & Fleet One cards accepted. Bulk delivery also... price not listed — verify at pump 509-682-2221 [Pure-Gas](https://pure-gas.org)

• LOOKING AHEAD

Pattern shifts into early October. **No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu** and **no named looking-ahead trail event pulled for the next 1–3 weeks** on this water from calendars checked in this pass. Re-pull agency boards and trail calendars for the Friday Cast. Flag sourced events as Heavy Traffic when found.

Sources: NWS api.weather.gov (OTX grid OTX 54,116) · Chelan PUD / WA State Parks / WDFW · USGS where noted · Pure-Gas.org GraphQL stationsByState (Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:53 PM CT) · WDFW fishing regulations. Schedules and prices change — re-check before launch.

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