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FRESHWATER CAST · MONDAY **CAST** WEST VIRGINIA

Sutton Lake: Midweek Window, Local ET Clock & Species-Honest Plan

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

Mon ~81°

Thu ~68°

RLX · ET

No named trail event pulled for Mon–Thu

Sutton is a compact USACE weekday bass lake — ramp, points, and cover — without needing a tournament clock to make the morning count.

• MIDWEEK OUTLOOK

NWS RLX / Sutton Lake corridor (grid RLX 94,84; pulled Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:54 PM CT): Use the daytime cards below for Mon–Thu planning. All reader-facing clock language is **ET** — 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 ET

WATER CLARITY / DEPTH

Estimate: stain after rain in arms; clearer main. Dawn cover; midday points/breaks.

CROWD / PRESSURE

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

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

MONDAY SEP 21

**~81°F · Showers And
Thunderstorms Likely then
Chance Showers And
Thunderstorms · precip ~66%
· wind SW 2 mph**

Lightning plan — off water for cells

Fish stain lines / edges after cells

TUESDAY SEP 22

**~75°F · Rain Showers Likely ·
precip ~74% · wind N 1 mph**

Lightning plan — off water for cells

Fish stain lines / edges after cells

WEDNESDAY SEP 23

**~71°F · Showers And
Thunderstorms · precip ~79%
· wind E 2 mph**

Lightning plan — off water for cells

Fish stain lines / edges after cells

THURSDAY SEP 24

**~68°F · Chance Rain Showers ·
precip ~52% · wind NE 2 mph**

Lightning plan — off water for cells

Fish stain lines / edges after cells

● DAM & CURRENT / GENERATOR SCHEDULE CHEAT SHEET

USACE Sutton water control bulletin — soft re-check; never invent elev/cfs. Access hub: **Sutton Lake USACE public boat ramp**. Agency framing: USACE / WVDNR.

PROJECT / WATER	OBSERVED	GENERATOR SCHEDULE	HOW TO FISH IT
Sutton Lake USACE / WVDNR	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

Public shoreline cover for flipping and pitching at dawn. Mind private property and ramp congestion even on weekdays.

KAYAK

Kayak cover and pockets; PFD; avoid dam restricted zones.

BOAT

Fish cover early, points later. Soft Mon–Thu recreational.

● LURE BOX — TOP / MID / BOTTOM

TOP

Buzzbait
Frog

MID

Spinnerbait
Bladed jig

BOTTOM

Jig
Texas-rig

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

Black bass — Late-summer cover to early-fall points.

What's on the menu (dated hatch thin — most likely): Bluegill, craw, shad.

● ALSO HOT / ALSO IN SEASON

- Crappie
- Catfish
- Walleye

WVDNR fishing: www.wvdnr.gov/fishing/live-check only; do not hardcode inches or seasons.

● ETHANOL-FREE FUEL NEAR THIS WATER

PURE-GAS.ORG E0 · NEAR THIS WATER

Source: Pure-Gas.org station identity · pulled **Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:54 PM CT**

Current prices (as of Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:54 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.

Sutton Lake Marina — Bee Run Rd, Sutton, WV · ~0.4 mi · 88/89/90 octane E0 — Seasonal April -October Fuel Dock is not accessible to cars. can use gas cans 304-765-2120 price not listed — verify at pump 304-765-2120 Pure-Gas

Y-Mart — 6323 Webster Rd, Cowen, WV · ~19.3 mi · 90 octane E0 price not listed — verify at pump 304-226-5330 Pure-Gas

Marathon — 18131 West Webster Rd., Craigsville, WV · ~22.9 mi · 90 octane E0 price not listed — verify at pump 304-742-3177 Pure-Gas

Baker's Mart — 678 S Hwy 16, Grantsville, WV · ~28.1 mi · 90 octane E0 price not listed — verify at pump 304-354-7990 Pure-Gas

● 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 (RLX grid RLX 94,84) · USACE / WVDNR · USGS where noted · Pure-Gas.org GraphQL stationsByState (Sun Sep 20, 2026 · 09:54 PM CT) · WVDNR fishing. Schedules and prices change — re-check before launch.

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