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Two men drowned in the Trinity River after they fell in while fishing Saturday morning, authorities said.







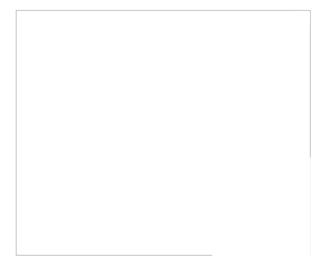




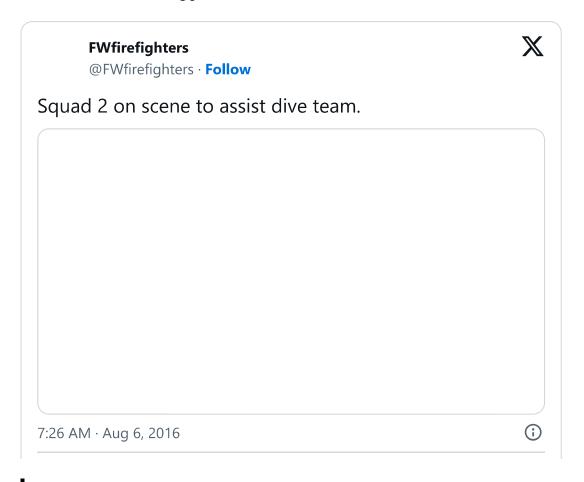
Two men drowned in the Trinity River on Saturday morning while they were fishing.

The victims were at a section of the river near East Belknap Street and Samuels Avenue, just below Tarrant County College's downtown Fort Worth campus.

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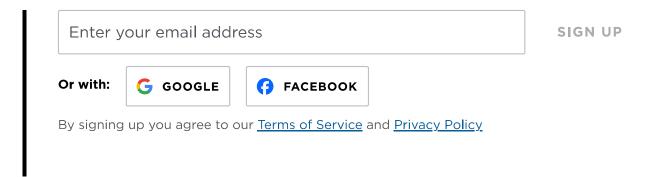
Reports of the drownings came in around 7:30 a.m. The victims' bodies were recovered around 8:35 a.m.





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The men were identified as Angel Ibarra, 23, of Fort Worth and Eduardo Cortina-Mares, according to the Tarrant County medical examiner's office.

Lt. Kyle Falkner, a spokesman for the Fort Worth Fire Department, said witnesses initially reported a man was yelling that his acquaintance went underwater and didn't resurface. That man then went into the river and didn't come up, witnesses said.

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The men were reportedly fishing, according to the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

Falkner said the part of the river where the men drowned is a relatively calm section of the Trinity.