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Man dies in drowning at Perry's Mill Dam

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A 25-year-old Townsend man died Thursday night as the result of a drowning at Peery's Mill Dam in Walland.

Bobby William Halcomb, Clark Drive, was pronounced dead at Blount Memorial Hospital Thursday night, according to a news release from the Blount County Sheriff's Office.

Preliminary autopsy results performed at University of Tennessee Medical Center Friday confirmed the cause of death as accidental drowning. Halcomb had reportedly been trapped under water for several minutes at the dam, located off East Lamar Alexander Parkway.

When deputies arrived on scene, Halcomb was out of the water and a friend was administering CPR, the release said. A deputy took over CPR at that point and Halcomb was transported via Rural/Metro Ambulance Service to Blount Memorial Hospital.

The Blount County Fire Department also responded.

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