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UPDATE: Paris man identified as missing kayaker

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Update: Monday, August 3, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. EDT

PARIS, Ky. (WTVQ) – The body of a missing kayaker in Bourbon County was found Monday around noon, according to the Bourbon County Sheriff's Office.

The kayaker went missing Sunday evening near a dam on Stoner Creek. Investigators say the body was found about 100 yards from where the man disappeared.

Charles Insko, 43, of Paris, was kayaking with a group of people Sunday when the group encountered a small low-head dam on the creek and portaged around it, witnesses told first responders, according to Kevin Kelly, chief communications officer for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

Insko's kayak started to drift toward the dam after he slid it back into the water. When another member of the group started to maneuver toward the kayak, Insko entered the water to assist as the other kayaker overturned into the water. According to witnesses, Insko pushed that person downstream at which time he lost his footing and was swept under by the turbulent water created by the water flowing over the dam, Kelly said.

Multiple agencies assisted in the search and recovery efforts. Conservation officers with the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources are investigating the incident.

Original story below:

BOURBON COUNTY, Ky. (WTVQ) – Crews from five different departments continue to search for a kayaker who went missing in Stoner Creek in Bourbon County Sunday evening.

Rescue workers said at about noon Monday they may be close to finding the body after a search that continued through the night Sunday and became a recovery mission Monday morning.

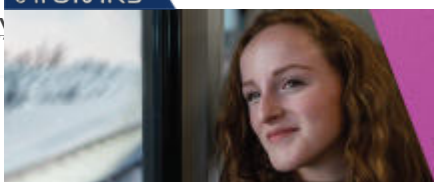
Crews have used sonar and dragging equipment in an area between two dams near the 1700 block of North Middletown Road north of the Middletown community.

The man's kayak got caught up in swift water near the first dam Sunday night.

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