


Kayaker drowns on Little Truckee River

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Nevada County sheriff's deputies said Duke Henry Jardin, 31, of Tracy, drowned while kayaking Saturday afternoon on a stretch of the river between Boca and Stampede reservoirs.



Deputies said he got sucked under the water in a portion of the river that runs through a spillway and drowned. The river was running high because of the release of water from Stampede Reservoir.

A friend kayaking with Jardin escaped injury, called authorities from a cell phone and tried to revive the victim with cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Authorities arrived a short time later and he was taken to Tahoe-Forest Hospital in Truckee, where he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Witnesses said it appeared he crashed into submerged rocks or tree stumps.

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