



# Accident Database

## Report ID# 448

Help

1997-06-04

Date

Unknown

Victim

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Victim Age

Clear Creek

River

Near Golden

Section

Low head dam United States Colorado, US

Location

Gage

Medium

Water Level

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River Difficulty



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Cause

Cause Code(s)

– Caught in Low Head Dam Hydraulic

Injury Type(s)

Factors

Extensive Experience

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Victim Experience Level

Private

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Trip Type

Whitewater Kayak

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Boat Type

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Group Info

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Other Victim Names

Deleted

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Status

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## Accident Description

June 4, 1997 a kayaker, paddling alone, attempted to run a spillway at a low head dam. This was on a section of Clear Creek near Denver, CO that is rarely paddled. He was recirculated in the hydraulic for ten minutes before flushing out. He was pulled to shore by two law enforcement officers. They began CPR and transported him to a local hospital where he was pronounced dead.



June 4 saw three fatalities in the Rocky Mountain Region. In Colorado near Denver Mike Stano reported that a kayaker, paddling alone, attempted to run a spillway at a low head dam and was recirculated for 10 minutes before flushing out. He was pulled to shore by two law enforcement officers and pronounced dead at a nearby hospital



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