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Crews recover 2nd Kayaker found dead in Scioto River

The Marion County Sheriff's office says two kayakers drowned in the Scioto River Monday.



Green Camp drowning investigation and search (Photo: WBNS-10TV / Chris Blake)

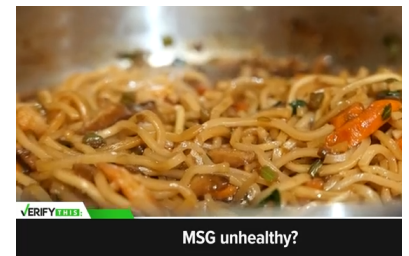
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The Marion County Sheriff's office says two kayakers drowned in the Scioto River Monday.

The sheriff's office and Green Camp Fire Department responded to the 2000 block of Prospect-Upper Sandusky Rd South when a fisherman in the area reported seeing a person in the water.

Upon arriving on scene, the fire department and sheriff's office say they found 29-year-old Tyler Webb, of Marion, in the water. He was pronounced dead at the scene.



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Authorities said Webb was wearing a life jacket but it appears he got caught in the current and was unable to free himself. Webb's kayak was located nearby.

Crews continued to search the area and found a second kayak floating on the river approximately a half-mile south of the low-head dam.

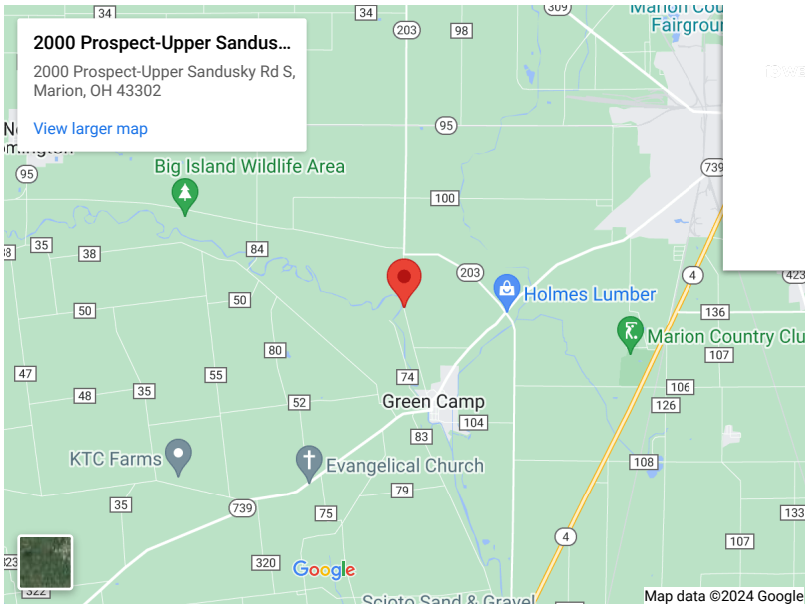
The sheriff's office said after further investigation, they learned Webb and 28-year-old Raymond Williams, also of Marion, were dropped off around 4 p.m. Monday to kayak on the river. It is believed they entered the water near the dam and were immediately in trouble and believed to have drowned at that time, according to the sheriff's office.

Crews located the body of Raymond Williams early Wednesday morning.

The Marion County Sheriff's Office, Green Camp Fire Department, 1st Consolidated Fire Department, Battle Run Fire Department and Ohio ODNR Watercraft are involved in the search for Williams.

Sheriff Bailey stated "Anyone entering any area of water should be an experienced swimmer, have someone with them who is also an experienced swimmer, know the body of water they are entering, and wear proper safety equipment such as life vests. Low-head dams are considerably dangerous as are any dams and should be avoided. The surface of the water does not show the danger of what is beneath and this is why it is very important to know the water you are entering and practice safety every time."

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