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## Man drowns after rescuing daughter from Brushy Creek



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ROUND ROCK, Texas (KXAN) — A man who managed to save his daughter from rushing water ended up drowning in Brushy Creek late Sunday afternoon, according to a spokesperson for the City of Round Rock.

According to emergency responders, a 4-year-old girl was walking toward the dam on Brushy Creek near Chisholm Trail when she realized she was in a dangerous situation. The child's father went out toward the dam to get her, but they both fell in.

Authorities said the dad, Jorge Martinez Sr., 38, was able to get his daughter out of harm's way, but he ended up getting pulled under water for approximately five minutes. The victim's family tried to resuscitate him before EMS arrived, but he died a short time later.

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"This creek normally isn't this active," said Round Rock Fire Department Asst. Chief Billy Wusterhausen. "It's not normally this full, so in addition to the current, you also get debris that's washed down the creek as well."

Firefighters said this creek is dangerous, especially after weeks of heavy rain. But kids in the area do not seem to notice, according to Christina McClellan, who works at a day care nearby. Instead, the kids just see it as a great place to go for a swim.

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be swept away in this water with how fast it's been going.”

A spokesman for the City of Round Rock said the city plans to discuss implementation of possible warning signs or a fence in that location.

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