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Update: Fatal Boating Accident One Victim Still Missing

On Saturday, October 6, 2018 at approximately 6:54 AM the Portage County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a capsized boat on the Wisconsin River, immediately south of the Lake DuBay Dam in the Town of Dewey.

Recovered deceased from the river was 60 year old James Glodowski from Stevens Point. His fishing partner, 56 year old Timothy Coulthurst, also from Stevens Point, is still missing and presumed drowned.

Recovery teams searched all weekend, including crews with side scanning sonar, but the second man has not yet been located. Treacherous water conditions and worsening weather patterns have hampered operations and slowed the search efforts.

Teams continue to comb the area as best they can, and are hopeful that Timothy can be found soon. Crews will be searching from the shores, on the water, and even using unmanned aerial vehicles to check from the air as conditions permit.

Anyone on the Wisconsin River below the DuBay Dam is asked to remain vigilant, and notify authorities immediately should they discover anything unusual. Individuals are warned to stay well clear of the dam, as conditions are currently dangerous, and expected to worsen as heavy rains upstream are forcing large volumes of water through the Wisconsin River dam system.

The Portage County Sheriff's Office would like to take this opportunity to stress safe boating techniques, including the wearing of life vests, having properly working safety equipment, and taking a boating safety course.

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