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Glen Canyon News Release

Boat Sinks on Lake Powell One Person Presumed Drowned

Page, AZ – One person is missing and presumed drowned after a boat sank yesterday on Lake Powell in Glen Canyon National Recreation Area. The accident happened at approximately noon near buoy 13 in the main channel.

The boat was attempting to pass another vessel when it reportedly hit a wake at a high rate of speed, causing the hull to split. There were two passengers aboard the boat. One person was rescued from the water by the *Desert Odyssey*, a tour boat operated by Lake Powell Resorts and Marinas. The other, Nancy Hoff, of Fruita, Colorado, is missing and presumed drowned. Other boaters in the area who witnessed the accident contacted National Park Service rangers, who quickly arranged a search in an effort to find Hoff.

Hoff is an employee of Marine Max of Grand Junction, Colorado. Marine Max holds a commercial use authorization allowing it to launch and retrieve boats on Lake Powell for its customers. Employees of the company were visiting the park for a corporate retreat.

The cause of the accident is under investigation. The National Park Service's underwater recovery team is assisting in the search. Water depths at the accident site are approximately 350 feet.

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