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Yuba River remains unsafe for swimming

As local temperatures are heating up, the temptation to jump in a local river or lake can be hard to overcome, but experts say it's too early and too dangerous.

The South Yuba River Citizens League and government agencies warn that the Yuba River is still running too fast and too cold for safe swimming.

A SYRCL news release reported that most drownings occur in the spring when the weather is warm, but rivers are fast and cold. Officials report springtime drownings are completely preventable by staying out of the water during spring runoff.

SYRCL also reported that the Yuba River canyon is narrow in places and does not allow for mandated social distancing, so officials want residents to remain safe by reducing community exposure as much as possible to prevent the spread of COVID-19 through human transmission.