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Boy Saved in Near-Drowning

A Tooele County boy was saved from drowning in the Grantsville Reservoir Saturday evening. Ten year old Carson Jones, from Grantsville, was pulled from the water and revived by witnesses to the incident.

Carson was with his family at the Grantsville Reservoir on June 25, 2011 where he was playing on the shore. He slipped on some wet rocks and fell into the frigid water. The boy sank and surfaced several times, each time moving further from the shore rather than closer to the shore. Witnesses called Tooele County's 911 Dispatch Center at 7:29 p.m.

Many people fishing at the reservoir witnessed the boy struggling in the water. More than 20 people began diving into the water in attempts to save the drowning boy. Adrian Baum was one of the people trying to rescue Carson. Baum found the boy under the water and pulled him to the surface. Baum was rescue-swimming the boy towards the shore when he began tiring. A second swimmer, Zachary Mitchell, swam Carson the rest of the way to shore.

Tooele resident, Roger Ekins, an EMT and bystander at the reservoir, performed CPR on Carson. The boy responded and began breathing on his own. A Grantsville City Police Officer, Tooele County Sheriff's Deputies, and Mountain West Ambulance responded to the scene. Carson was taken by Lifeflight to Primary Children's Medical Center where he is in critical condition in the Intensive Care Unit.

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