

## Fish Killed after Pipe Bursts

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — At least 30 fish were killed after a drinking water pipe burst and sent thousands of gallons of chlorinated water into a San Francisco Bay area creek.

The San Francisco Chronicle reports (<http://bit.ly/11D4srX> [1]) that the city's Public Utilities Commission discovered the leak on Saturday near Crystal Springs Reservoir, part of a drinking water system that serves 2.5 million Bay Area residents.

Officials said they expect the fish death toll — which may have included threatened steelhead trout — to rise, possibly to hundreds.

San Mateo Creek flows about five miles from the reservoir to San Francisco Bay.

Steven Ritchie, assistant general manager for water at the commission, said the cause of the break in the 1932-era pipe is still unknown.

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