Low lake level may shorten Tahoe boating season

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INCLINE VILLAGE — With summer officially here, you may expect to see many boats out on Lake Tahoe. But with the low snow pack this winter, some boat ramps may be closing early this year.

Experts say this will be one of the shortest boating seasons our region has seen in years. The low water level in Lake Tahoe is keeping some boats out of the water, and with summer time just heating up, it could get worse.

"We have been watching the lake go down further and further, this has been the worse year because it was just a poor winter," said Lake Tahoe Nevada State Park supervisor Jay Howard.

Howard said the Sand Harbor boat ramp has not been as busy this year compared to previous years. Because of the low water level, the department is advising people to not launch boats over 17 feet.

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