Truckee flowing faster to make room for snow melt

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The water flows of the Truckee River are currently 3.5 times the average rate, thanks to early snow melt as well as precaution.

Crews have been releasing water from Lake Tahoe and other upstream reservoirs since the end of February to make room for snow melt still to come.

Lake Tahoe has gained nearly 4 feet of water since Jan. 1, and it is well above its natural rim. So water is now flowing at a controlled rate out of Tahoe City and into the river.

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