

A Miracle March is not something to bet on

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In late February of 1991, the snowpack in the Lake Tahoe, Truckee, Carson and Walker basins was about 16 to 20 percent of normal.

By April 1, after a month of seemingly non-stop snowstorms, the snowpack recovered to as much as 80 percent of normal in some places.

When looking at the dismal snowpack numbers from the winter of 2017-18, it's tempting to take comfort in the possibility of another Miracle March, similar to 1991.

Tempting, but not very comforting when you consider the odds. There's a reason people called March 1991 a miracle.

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