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Boating Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 34-year-old Sergeant First Class assigned to Special Forces Command, Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, died in a boating mishap 14 April 2019 on Joe's Bayou at 1330 local. The Soldier was operating his 20-foot center-console boat when he and his passenger were thrown overboard in rough waters after reportedly experiencing a steering problem. Personal flotation devices were available, but their use has not been confirmed. Alcohol was not associated with the mishap.

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