



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Interviewed: Rodger Glaspey
NTSB Accident Number: ANC15FA071

Narrative:

During a conversation with the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) investigator-in-charge (IIC), Rodger Glaspey, stated that he arrived at the Rainbow King Lodge on Sunday. He said that he is a 40% owner of the lodge. On Monday they drove to a fishing location, due to bad weather, and were picked up that afternoon by the Beaver.

He said they planned to fish at "Wolverine", which was about 45 minutes away. He said that they planned to be ready by 0600, and that it was a safety issue when they could leave, that "they couldn't leave before it was safe". He packed a dry bag and wore chest waiters and boots. He said he was not asked about his weight, and that he weighs 200 pounds. He said it was still dark when they departed, but that he could see the treetops.

He stated that the pilot briefed them once they were all in the airplane, and that he was seated on the right side of the airplane. He said after takeoff they were climbing and he heard an abrupt sound from the left side, possibly the float. He said he looked up at the pilot and he was trying to correct the airplane, he said they went right and into terrain. He stated that the engine noise was constant and there was no conversation, and he did not hear any alarms.

He said that it was another owner who primarily dealt with the airplane and handled the conversion and the instillation of the Max Vis system. There was no concern with loading the Otter because they were "not loading enough to be concerned with that", and that "one of the great things about the Otter is that, if it fits it flies".