

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD • PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT Use this form (Form 6120.1) to report civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION
Accident/Incident Location

 Nearest City/Place: Gulkana State: AK

 ZIP: 99586 Country: USA

 Latitude: 60.49N Longitude: 145.48W

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

 Date: 07/17/2025 Local Time: 12:00
 mm/dd/yyyy HH:MM

 Time Zone: Alask

 Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

 Registration Number: 91393

 Manufacturer: Cessna

 Model: C-180H

 Serial Number: 18052063

 Year of Manufacture: 1,969

 Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Original Design ☐ Kit/Plans

Make: _____

- ☐
- IFR-Equipped and Certified
-
- ☐
- Commercial Space Flight
-
- ☐
- Unmanned Aircraft

 Maximum Gross Weight: 3,190 lbs.

 Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 2,400 lbs.

 Number of Seats: 4 Flight Crew Seats: 2

 Cabin Crew Seats: 0 Passenger Seats: 2

 Number of Engines: 1
Category of Aircraft
 (Select one)

- ☒
- Airplane
-
- ☐
- Balloon
-
- ☐
- Blimp/Dirigible
-
- ☐
- Glider
-
- ☐
- Gyroplane
-
- ☐
- Helicopter
-
- ☐
- Powered Lift
-
- ☐
- Rocket
-
- ☐
- Ultralight
-
- ☐
- Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate
 (Check all that apply)

Standard

- ☒
- Normal
-
- ☐
- Aerobatic
-
- ☐
- Balloon
-
- ☐
- Commuter
-
- ☐
- Transport
-
- ☐
- Utility

Special

- ☐
- Restricted
-
- ☐
- Limited
-
- ☐
- Provisional
-
- ☐
- Special Flight
-
- ☐
- Experimental
-
- ☐
- Special Light-Sport
-
- ☐
- Experimental Light-Sport

- ☐
- Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
-
- ☐
- None
- ☐
- Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

- ☐
- Retractable
- ☐
- High Skid
-
- ☐
- Tricycle
- ☐
- Skid
-
- ☒
- Tailwheel
- ☐
- Ski/Wheel
-
- ☐
- Emergency Float
- ☐
- Hull
-
- ☐
- Float
- ☐
- Ski
-
- ☐
- Amphibian
-
- ☐
- Other Launch/Recovery System
-
- ☐
- None
- ☐
- Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☒
- Reciprocating
- ☐
- Liquid Rocket
-
- ☐
- Turbo Shaft
- ☐
- Solid Rocket
-
- ☐
- Turbo Prop
- ☐
- Hybrid Rocket
-
- ☐
- Turbo Jet
- ☐
- None
-
- ☐
- Turbo Fan
- ☐
- Unknown
-
- ☐
- Electric

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☒
- Carburetor
- ☐
- Fuel Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Engine Serial Number	Date of Mfg. (mm/dd/yyyy)	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ Lbs. of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	TCM	IO520D116B Mod'd	1039952	12/01/2020	300	1,323	39	1,323
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☒
- 100-Hour
-
- ☐
- AAIP
-
- ☐
- Annual
-
- ☐
- Continuous Airworthiness
-
- ☐
- Condition
-
- ☐
- Unknown

 Date of Last Inspection: 06/26/2025
 mm/dd/yyyy

 Airframe Total Time: 8,775.6 hrs

Hours measured at (Select one)

- ☐
- Last Inspection
- ☒
- Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select One)

- ☒
- Annual
-
- ☐
- Conditional (Amateur-built only)
-
- ☐
- Manufacturer's Inspection Program
-
- ☐
- Other Approved Inspection Program
-
- ☐
- (AAIP) Continuous Airworthiness
-
- ☐
- Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐
- None
-
- ☒
- Specify:
- Hand held fire extinguisher

Additional Equipment

- ☒
- ADS-B
-
- ☐
- Airframe Parachute
-
- ☐
- Angle of Attack Indicator
-
- ☒
- Autopilot
-
- ☐
- Autopilot/FMS, Model: _____
-
- ☐
- Coupled Flight Director
-
- ☐
- Data Recorder
-
- ☐
- Device Stall Warning System
-
- ☐
- Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
-
- ☐
- Electronic Multifunction Display
-
- ☐
- Electronic Primary Flight Display
-
- ☐
- Flight Management System

- ☒
- Handheld GPS
-
- ☐
- Heads Up Display
-
- ☐
- Night Vision Goggles
-
- ☐
- Onboard Weather
-
- ☐
- Primary Flight Display
-
- ☐
- SAS, Number of Axes: _____ Model: _____
-
- ☒
- Satellite Tracking Device
-
- ☒
- Stall Warning System
-
- ☐
- Video Recording Device
-
- ☐
- Wire Strike Detection
-
- ☐
- Wire Strike Protection
-
- ☐
- Other, Specify: _____

 ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No If Yes:

 ELT Manufacturer: ACK

 Model or Part No.: E-04

 TSO No.: ☐ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)
☒ C126 (406 MHz)

 Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

 Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

 Did ELT activate? ☐ Yes ☒ No

 If activated: Did ELT aid in locating aircraft? ☐ Yes ☒ No

 If not activated: Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage

☐ Fire Damage ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged ☐ Unknown

Propeller 1 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

 Manufacturer: McCauley

 Model: D3A34C401
Propeller 2 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**

Name: Martin J Boniek
 City: Glennallen State: AK
 ZIP: 99588 Country: US

Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Operator of Aircraft

☒ The Operator is also the Registered Owner

☒ Same address as Registered Owner

Name: Copper Valley Air Service, LLC
 City: Glennallen State: AK
 ZIP: 99588 Country: USA

Doing Business As: _____
 Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4-character code): EAXA

Operating Certificates Held

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)
☒ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)
☒ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)
☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ Commercial Space Transportation
 Experimental Permit
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☐ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431
☐ FAR 121 ☒ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437
☐ FAR 450
☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial
☐ Public Aircraft (Select one)
 ☐ Armed Forces
 ☐ Federal
 ☐ State
 ☐ Local
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135

(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic
☒ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International
☒ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☐ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry ☐ Unknown

Revenue Sightseeing Flight

☐ Yes ☒ No

Air Medical Flight

☐ Yes ☒ No

AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)

Airport Name: Sanford River strip
 Airport Identifier: None
 Proximity to Airport: ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A

Distance From Airport Center: 0.00 sm.
 Direction From Airport: 0.00 degrees true
 Airport Elevation: 3,400.00 ft. MSL

Runway Information

Runway ID: none Length: 900 ft. Width: 25 ft.

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Ice ☐ Snow
☐ Concrete ☒ Gravel ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☒ Dirt ☐ Helideck ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Elevated Heliport ☐ Helistop ☒ Off-site landing area

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☒ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment (Select one)

- ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☒ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Crosswind ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☒ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing
☒ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Unknown

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Scott

City of Residence: Wasilla

Middle Initial: D

State: AK ZIP: 99654

Last Name: Quist

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 63

Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury ☒ None ☐ Serious ☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal ☐ Minor		Seat Occupied ☒ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single		Restraint Type <table border="0"> <tr> <th>Available</th> <th>Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ None</td> <td>☐ None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Lap only</td> <td>☐ Lap only</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒ 3-point</td> <td>☒ 3-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 4-point</td> <td>☐ 4-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 5-point</td> <td>☐ 5-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Unknown</td> <td>☐ Unknown</td> </tr> </table>		Available	Used	☐ None	☐ None	☐ Lap only	☐ Lap only	☒ 3-point	☒ 3-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	
Available	Used																				
☐ None	☐ None																				
☐ Lap only	☐ Lap only																				
☒ 3-point	☒ 3-point																				
☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point																				
☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point																				
☐ Unknown	☐ Unknown																				
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☒ Flight Instructor ☒ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport ☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer				Supplemental Restraint, specify: <u> </u>																	
Principal Occupation ☒ Pilot ☐ Other ☐ Unknown		Medical Certificate ☐ None ☐ Class 3 ☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only) ☒ Class 2 ☐ Unknown		Medical Certificate Validity ☒ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown ☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A ☐ Special Issuance		Date of Last Medical <u>03/24/2025</u> mm/dd/yyyy															
Medical Certificate Limitations <u>None</u>				Medical Certificate Special Limitations <u>None</u>																	

Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other:

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

06/13/2025

mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Dehavilland

Model: DHC-2 Beaver

Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☒ Single-Engine Land ☒ Single-Engine Sea ☐ Multiengine Land ☐ Multiengine Sea		Other Aircraft Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Airship ☐ Balloon ☐ Glider ☐ Gyroplane ☒ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift		Instrument Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☒ Airplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift		Instructor Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Instrument Airplane ☒ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider ☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport	
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Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements

Flight times below are from last company form from May 2025 and estimates

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time	7,698	800	6,117									3,800
Pilot in Command (PIC)	6,400											
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days	50											
Last 30 Days	40											
Last 24 Hours												

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: _____

City of Residence: _____

Middle Initial: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____

Country: _____

Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial
☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational
☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☐ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

 mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Special Limitations****Personal Flight Equipment** (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time												
Pilot in Command (PIC)												
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days												
Last 30 Days												
Last 24 Hours												

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information.)

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer		Restraint Type Available Used ☐ None ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.		

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer		Restraint Type Available Used ☐ None ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.		

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet, if necessary.)

Number of Passengers <u>0</u>					
Passenger Information	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available Used ☐ None ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____					

First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Flight Information	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: <u>PAGK</u> City: <u>Glennallen</u> State: <u>AK</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time: <u>11:45</u> HH:MM Time Zone: <u>Alask</u>	Flight Number: _____ Operating as Flight _____	Airport ID: _____ City: <u>Sanford River</u> State: <u>AK</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	☐ None ☒ Company VFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ VFR Activated? ☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Certificate of Authorization ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☐ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA
☒ None

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Class A ☒ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA
☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: _____ ft. MSL

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE**Source of Pilot Weather Information**

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ National Weather Service ☐ Company
☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military
☐ TV/Radio ☒ Internet
☒ Automated Report ☐ None
☒ Electronic Flight Bag-Application: _____
 Foreflight ☐ Unknown
☐ On-Board Weather

Weather Observation Facility

Facility ID: _____
 Observation Time: _____
 Time Zone: _____
 Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm
 Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions

- ☒ VMC
☐ IMC
☐ Unknown

Lowest Cloud Condition**Height**

3000 ft. AGL

Light Condition

- ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown
☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

- ☐ Clear ☐ Thin Broken
☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast
☐ Partial
 Obscuration
☒ Scattered ☐ Unknown

Ceiling

- ☒ None (Clear)
☐ Broken
☐ Overcast
☐ Obscured
☐ Indefinite
☐ Unknown

Ceiling Height

_____ ft. AGL

Temperature: _____ (°C) or 60.6 (°F)

Dewpoint: _____ (°C) or _____ (°F)

Altimeter Setting:

_____ (Hg), or _____ (mb)

Wind Direction

- ☒
- Variable

or

Direction: _____
degrees true**Wind Speed**

- ☐ Calm
☒ Light and Variable

Speed: _____ kts

Wind Gusts

- ☒
- Not Gusting

or

Speed: _____ kts

Visibility

10.0 miles

RVR: _____ feet

RVV: _____ miles

Density Altitude: _____ ft.

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain
☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower
☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower
☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle
☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

- ☒ None ☐ Fog
☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog
☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze
☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog
☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke
☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast

- | Amount | Type |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ N/A |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Light | ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Moderate | ☐ Mixed |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Unknown | |

Intensity of Precipitation

- ☐ Light
☐ Moderate
☐ Heavy
☒ N/A
☐ Unknown

Icing Actual

- | Amount | Type |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ N/A |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Light | ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Moderate | ☐ Mixed |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Unknown | |

Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | Type | Severity |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Terrain-Induced | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Convective | ☐ Extreme |

NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETS, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet, if necessary.)

Left wing bent up at angle outboard of the lift strut. Propellor blades damaged.

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink.)

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

On 07/17/2025 at about 11:45 hours I departed the Gulkana Airport in the accident aircraft enroute to the Sanford River airstrip, on the first of two planned trips, to pick up passengers. The weather was excellent. The Sanford River airstrip is located on the north side of the Sanford River a short distance downstream from the toe of the glacier and in a large open valley between mountains. The runway is relatively flat, with a slight downhill slope to the southwest. Approaches from both directions are unobstructed.

As I approached the landing area I noted that the wind was very light (less than 5 knots) by comparing the GPS ground speed to indicated airspeed and by looking at wind action on nearby ponds. I decided to land to the southwest so made a normal left traffic pattern. All was normal through the approach, and the touchdown was smooth. The airstrip is well used but somewhat narrow so directional control on rollout is critical. Within moments of touchdown and while using normal rudder control pressure, I heard a pop or snap, and my left foot and left aircraft peddle went all the way to the firewall. I immediately noticed that I had no left rudder control, left tailwheel steering or left brake. I realized that there had been a mechanical failure but did not know exactly what it was. I stayed off the right pedal/brake for fear that it would pull the aircraft off the right side of the runway.

The aircraft slowed while tracking relatively straight down the runway and then the tail started to swing left; with no way to arrest the movement, the aircraft slid off the right edge of the runway, the left wing contacted the ground, the tail came up and the propellor hit the ground. The engine immediately stopped and the aircraft came to rest in a near vertical position. I shut everything down and exited the aircraft. The ground-loop occurred at a relatively slow speed and did not feel violent at all from inside the cockpit.

Using an InReach device I messaged Copper Valley Air Service and another aircraft was dispatched.

While inspecting the aircraft, at the scene, to determine what happened, I noticed that the vertical pedestal that supports the left pedal assembly had broken, allowing the pedal to go forward.

At the time of the accident there was approximately 20 gallons of fuel on board, no passengers and no baggage, other than minimal survival gear.

OPERATOR/OWNER SAFETY RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on a separate sheet.)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☒ Yes ☐ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Left RH Rudder broke, Manufactured by Cessna.

Total Time/ Cycles On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled

40.0 Hours**FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION**

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

25.0 Gallons

Fuel Type

☒ 100 Low Lead☐ Automotive☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Unleaded AV☐ Other, specify _____

Other Services, if any, prior to departure:

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location:

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft.)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft:

☐ Destroyed☐ Substantial☐ Minor☐ None

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

Name: _____

City: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Additional space for answers to any question.)

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.

I understand that the information provided may be subject to public release.

Date of this report:

07/27/2025

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Martin Boniek, director of Operations

Signature: _____

-or- ☒ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a person other than Pilot/Operator is filing this report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

-or- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

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