

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD

NTSB Form 6120.1

PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

The pilot/operator aircraft accident/incident report may be filed by mailing in this form, per instructions on the last page. Copies of this form may be obtained from the NTSB Web site <<http://www.nts.gov>>, the National Transportation Safety Board Regional Offices, and the Federal Aviation Administration Flight Standards District Offices.

Rules pertaining to aircraft accidents/incidents, overdue aircraft, and safety issues are contained in Part 830 of the National Transportation Safety Board's Regulations, 49CFR. These rules state the authority of the Board, define accidents, incidents, injuries, and other terms, and provide procedures for initial and immediate notification by aircraft pilots/operators.

A. APPLICABILITY

The pilot/operator of an aircraft shall file a report with the Regional Office of the National Transportation Safety Board nearest the accident or incident for which immediate notification is required by section 830.5(a). **The report shall be filed within ten (10) days after an accident for which notification is required by Section 830.5 or when, after seven (7) days, an overdue aircraft is still missing.** An aircraft accident, as defined in 49CFR 830.2, is determined as an occurrence that involves a fatality, serious injury, or substantial damage. For occurrences that do not involve a fatality, the determination that the occurrence is an accident can be appealed by writing to the Director, Office of Aviation Safety, National Transportation Safety Board, 490 L'Enfant Plaza, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20594.

The Pilot/Operator Aircraft Accident/Incident Report Form is used in determining the facts, conditions, and circumstances for aircraft accident prevention activities and for statistical purposes. It is necessary that **ALL** questions be answered completely and accurately to serve the above purposes.

INSTRUCTIONS TO PILOTS/OPERATORS FOR COMPLETING THIS FORM

It is necessary that ALL questions on this report be answered completely and accurately.
If more space is needed, continue on a blank sheet.

Nearest City/Place: Use the name of the nearest community that has a Post Office in the state where the accident/incident occurred.

Date & Time: Indicate the date and local time of the event. Be sure to indicate the time zone.

Phase of Operation: Indicate the phase of operation during which the accident/incident occurred.

Aircraft Information: Enter aircraft make and model information as indicated on the aircraft registration certificate, including series. If the involved aircraft is certified as "amateur-built," include the name of manufacturer of the kit or plans when appropriate.

Max Gross Weight: Enter the certificated max gross weight for the aircraft involved in the occurrence. This should be the same as the maximum gross weight indicated on the aircraft weight and balance documents.

Airworthiness Certificate: For light sport aircraft, if aircraft certificated as "Light Sport - Experimental", check both the "Light Sport" and "Experimental" check boxes.

Type of Fire Extinguishing System: If a fire extinguishing system was used to fight an aircraft fire, specify the type(s) of extinguishing system(s) used. Examples include handheld extinguisher, engine fire bottle,

B. DEFINITIONS

1. "Aircraft Accident" means an occurrence associated with the operation of an aircraft that takes place between the time any person boards the aircraft with the intention of flight and all such persons have disembarked, and in which any person suffers death, or serious injury, or in which the aircraft receives substantial damage. For purposes of this form, the definition of "aircraft accident" includes "unmanned aircraft accident," as defined at 49 C.F.R. 830.2.

2. "Substantial Damage" means damage or failure which adversely affects the structural strength, performance or flight characteristics of the aircraft, and which would normally require major repair or replacement of the affected component. NOTE: Engine failure or damage limited to an engine if only one engine fails or is damaged, bent fairing or cowling, dented skin, small puncture holes in the skin or fabric, ground damage to rotor or propeller blades, and damage to landing gear, wheels, tires, flaps, engine accessories, brakes, or wing tips are not considered "substantial damage" for purposes of this report.

3. "Operator" means any person who causes or authorizes the operation of an aircraft, such as the owner, lessee, or bailee of an aircraft.

4. "Fatal Injury" means any injury that results in death within thirty (30) days of the accident.

5. "Serious Injury" means any injury that (1) requires hospitalization for more than 48 hours, commencing within 7 days from the date the injury was received; (2) results in a fracture of any bone (except simple fracture of fingers, toes, or nose); (3) causes severe hemorrhages, nerve, muscle, or tendon damage; (4) involves injury to any internal organ; or (5) involves second- or third-degree burns, or any burns affecting more than 5 percent of the body surface.

cargo/baggage compartment fire suppression system, or airport emergency ground equipment.

Engine: Enter engine make and model information as indicated on the engine data plate.

Owner/Operator Information: Enter the owner information as shown on the registration certificate. Commercial operators, enter the operator information, including "Doing Business as" when applicable, as shown on the operator certificate.

Revenue Sightseeing Flight: Indicate whether the accident aircraft was conducting **revenue** sightseeing operations under FAR Part 91 at the time of the accident.

Public Use: Federal, state or local government flight operations such as official travel, law-enforcement, low-level observation, aerial application, firefighting, search and rescue, biological or geological resource management, or aeronautical research. Military operations should not be included under public use. If public use, also indicate whether the flight was conducted by Federal, State, or Local government.

Air Medical Flight: Indicate whether accident flight was being conducted for the purpose of carrying medical personnel, patient(s), or organs.

Purpose of Flight (FAR 91, 103, 133, 137): Indicate the type of operation that was being conducted at the time of the occurrence using the following definitions:

PERSONAL—Flying for personal reasons (excludes business transportation) including pleasure or personal transportation. This also includes practice or proficiency flights performed under flight instructor supervision and not part of an approved flight training program.

BUSINESS—Includes all personal flying **without** a paid, professional crew for reasons associated with furthering a business, including transportation to and from business meetings or work. This does not include corporate/executive operations, air taxi, or commuter operations.

EXECUTIVE/CORPORATE—Company flying **with** a paid, professional crew.

OTHER WORK USE—Miscellaneous flight operations conducted for compensation or hire such as construction work (not FAR Part 135 operation), parachuting, aerial advertising, towing gliders, etc.

INSTRUCTIONAL—Flying while under the supervision of a flight instructor or receiving air carrier training. Personal proficiency flight operations and personal flight reviews, as required by federal air regulations, are excluded.

FERRY—Non-revenue flight under a special flight or “ferry” permit. Refer to 14 CFR 21.197 for details of special flight permit issuance.

POSITIONING—Non-revenue flight conducted for the primary purpose of moving the aircraft to a maintenance facility or to load passengers or cargo, etc.

AERIAL APPLICATION—Operations using an aircraft to perform aerial application or dispersion of any substance. Examples include agricultural, health, forestry, cloud seeding, firefighting, insect control, etc.

AERIAL OBSERVATION—Aerial mapping/photography, patrol, search and rescue, hunting, highway traffic advisory, ranching, surveillance, oil and mineral exploration, criminal pursuit, fish spotting, etc.

AIR DROP—Aerial operations, other than aerial application, that are intended to release items in flight.

AIR RACE/SHOW—Includes any flight operations conducted as part of an organized air race or public demonstration.

FLIGHT TEST—Flight for the purpose of investigating the flight characteristics of an aircraft/aircraft component, or evaluating an applicant for a pilot certificate or rating.

PUBLIC USE—See definition above.

UNKNOWN—Use only if the primary purpose of flight is not known.

Other Aircraft – Collision: For all accidents involving a collision with another aircraft, including parked aircraft, check “Collision with other aircraft” under Basic Information and complete this section indicating details about the OTHER aircraft involved in the collision.

Airport Information: Complete this section if the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff, or within 3 miles of an airport. Please refer to the FAA Airport/Facility Directory or other official source for airport information.

Airport Identification: Provide the official 3 or 4 character airport identifier.

Runway: Indicate the number of the runway used, including L, R, or C if applicable.

Runway/Landing Surface: Indicate the type of intended runway/landing surface (do not indicate surface conditions). If the surface type was mixed, check all that apply.

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface: Indicate the condition of the intended runway/landing surface. If multiple conditions existed at the time of the accident, check all that apply.

Weather Information at the Accident/Incident Site: Indicate the weather conditions reported at the accident/incident site at the time of occurrence. If no weather reporting was available for the accident/incident site, indicate the reported conditions at the nearest reporting site. Specify the weather reporting site identifier, the observation time, and distance from the accident/incident site.

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition: Indicate the height above ground level of the lowest cloud condition present at the time of the accident and whether coverage was reported as few, scattered, broken or overcast. Also indicate the height above ground level and coverage of the lowest cloud ceiling present at the time of the accident (reported as broken or overcast).

NOTAMs ((D), (L) and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs: Describe all NOTAMs, AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect near the accident/incident. For NOTAMs, state if they were distant (D), local (L), or Flight Data Center (FDC), if known.

Pilot Information: Indicate the category that best describes the capacity served by this flight crewmember at the time of the accident. The designators “Pilot A” and “Pilot B” do not refer to a specific pilot position or responsibility. If more than one pilot is aboard, they may be entered in any order and their capacity entered as appropriate.

Degree of Injury: See Definitions on the top half of Page 1 of the Instructions. Minor injury is not defined. If an injury does not meet the criteria for another injury category, select Minor.

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent: Enter the date of the most recent flight review, or equivalent, completed by this pilot. Refer to 14 CFR 61.56 for accepted equivalents.

Type Ratings: List all type ratings on the pilot certificate. If the pilot holds no type ratings indicate “none”. If the pilot holds a pilot certificate other than student, and was flying an aircraft requiring an endorsement enter the type and date of any logbook endorsement(s) for that aircraft. See 14 CFR 61 for examples of required endorsements.

Student Endorsements: If the pilot holds a student pilot certificate, enter all solo endorsements and dates on the student pilot certificate.

Flight Time: Complete the flight time matrix. Solo flight time should be included as “Pilot-in-Command (PIC)” and all dual flight instruction given should be included as “Time as Instructor”.

Additional Flight Crew Members: Complete this section if there were more than two required flight crew members on the aircraft. This also includes a check airman performing official duties, but does not include cabin crew. State the capacity served by each included crewmember at the time of the accident.

Passenger(s)/Other Personnel: Please enter identification and injury severity information for all passengers and other personnel involved in the accident. See page 1 of the instructions for the official definition of injury levels. Occupants are considered “Revenue” passengers if they were being carried for compensation or hire. The option “FAA” refers to any FAA personnel performing a flight related function, including flight check, airman practical test, etc.

Several questions throughout the form allow for multiple responses; when appropriate choose all responses that apply.

These instructions only pertain to major issue areas covered by the NTSB Form 6120.1 Pilot/Operator Aircraft Accident/Incident Report. For additional definitions of questions and responses, please refer to <<http://www.nts.gov>>.

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This form to be used for reporting civil and public use aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Delta State: CO
 ZIP: 81410 Country: USA
 Latitude: 38 45 46 N (dd:mm:ss N/S) Longitude: 108 05 57W (ddd:mm:ss E/W)

Date/Time

Date: 05/02/2013 Local Time: 1200
 mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: MDT

Phase of Operation

☐ Standing ☐ Takeoff (incl. initial climb) ☐ Cruise ☐ Hover
☐ Taxi ☐ Climb ☐ Maneuvering ☐ Other
☐ Descent ☒ Landing ☐ Approach ☐ Unknown

Collision with Other Aircraft

☐ Midair
☐ On-ground
☒ None

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence

8,500 ft MSL

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Cessna

Model: C182T

Serial Number: 18281770

Registration Number: _____ Amateur-built: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Max Gross Weight: 3,100 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 2,450 lbs

Location of Center of Gravity at Time of Accident/Incident:

100 inches from ☐ nose or ☒ datum
 -or- _____ Percent Mean Aerodynamic Cord (% MAC)

Category of Aircraft

☒ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyrocraft
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered lift
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard

☒ Normal
☐ Utility
☐ Acrobatic
☐ Transport

Special

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

Number of Seats: 4

If Large Aircraft, how many seats for:

Flight Crew: _____

Cabin Crew: _____

Passengers: _____

Landing Gear ☐ Retractable

Check any additional landing gear configuration that applies:

☒ Tricycle ☐ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Unknown

Type of Maintenance Program

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

Last Inspection Type

☐ 100 Hour ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ AAIP ☐ Conditional Inspection
☒ Annual ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 03/08/2013

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 1,652 hrs

hours measured at (check one)

☐ Last Inspection ☒ Time of Accident/Incident

IFR Equipped

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Stall Warning System Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of Fire Extinguishing System

☐ None
☒ Specify hand operated fire extinguisher

ELT Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No

ELT Activated

☒ Yes ☐ No

ELT Manufacturer: Pointer

Model/Series: 3000-11 (AF)

ELT Aided in Locating Accident/Incident

☐ Yes ☒ No

Serial Number: _____

Battery Type: Allenline (P/N 2020)

Battery Exp. Date: July 2013

Engine Type

☒ Reciprocating ☐ Turbo Jet
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Turbo Fan
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Unknown

Reciprocating Fuel System Type

☐ Carburetor
☒ Fuel Injected

Propeller

☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch

Manufacturer: McCauley

Model: B3D36C431-2

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Engine Rated Power Measured as (check one) ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since Inspection (hours)	Time Since Overhaul (hours)
Eng 1	Lycoming	IO-540-AB1A5	L-31077-48E	12/01/2005	230	1,652	25	0
Eng 2								
Eng 3								
Eng 4								

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>Janair LLC</u> Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No		Owner Address City: <u> </u> <u>Grand Junction</u> State: <u>CO</u> ZIP: <u>81508</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operator of Aircraft ☐ Same As Registered Owner Name: <u>Colorado Flight Center</u> Doing Business As: _____ Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		Operator Address ☐ Same As Registered Owner City: <u> </u> <u>Grand Junction</u> State: <u>CO</u> ZIP: <u>81508</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Regulation Flight Conducted Under ☐ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight ☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ Non-US, Commercial ☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial ☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ Armed Forces ☐ Public Use (select type) ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ Unknown		Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No Air Medical Flight ☐ Yes ☐ No	
Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one) ☒ Personal ☐ Business ☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Other Work Use ☐ Instructional ☐ Ferry ☐ Positioning ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Air Drop ☐ Air Race / Show ☐ Flight Test ☐ Public Use ☐ Unknown	Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 (Select one) ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi Domestic or International ☒ Domestic ☐ International	Type of Commercial Operating Certificate Held (Select all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (121) ☐ Supplemental ☐ Air Cargo ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (129) ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (135) ☒ On-Demand Air Taxi (135) ☐ Large Helicopter (127) ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (133) - or - ☐ Agricultural Aircraft (137) ☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft	
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 ☐ Minor ☐ Substantial ☐ None	
Registered Owner of Other Aircraft First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			
Pilot of Other Aircraft First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			
MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)			
Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown (If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.) 			Total Time/Cycles On Part _____ Hours _____ Cycles Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled _____ Hours
DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY			
Aircraft Damage ☐ None ☒ Substantial ☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed	Aircraft Fire ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight ☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin ☐ On-Ground	Aircraft Explosion ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight ☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin ☐ On-Ground	

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (use additional sheet if necessary)

Right wing tip, right main landing gear, right side fuselage.

AIRPORT INFORMATION (If the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff or within 3 miles of an airport, complete this section)Airport Identifier: KAJZDistance From Airport Center: 3 SMAirport Name: BlakeDirection From Airport: 200 degrees MAGProximity to Airport ☒ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport ☐ On AirstripAirport Elevation: 5,193 ft. MSL**Approach Segment** (Select one)☐ On Instrument Approach ☒ Landing ☐ Base leg ☐ Final ☐ Go Around
☐ Crosswind ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)**IFR Approach** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ SDF ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Loran
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ TACAN ☐ RNAV ☐ Circling**VFR Approach** (Check all that apply)☐ None ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☒ Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Unknown**Runway Information**Runway ID: 3 - 21 (L/R/C) Length: 5,598 ft Width: 75 ft**Runway/Landing Surface** (Check all that apply)☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow**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 ☒ Unknown
☐ Slush Covered ☐ Vegetation**FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION****Last Departure Point**Airport ID: KGJTCity: Grand JunctionState: COCountry: USA**Time of Departure**Time: 1045Time Zone: MDT**Destination**Airport ID: KGJTCity: Grand JunctionState: COCountry: USA**Type Flight Plan Filed**☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFRActivated? ☐ Yes ☐ No**Type of ATC Clearance/Service** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☐ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA**Airspace where the accident/incident occurred** (Check all that apply)☐ Class A ☒ Class E ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Class G ☐ Restricted Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Demo Area ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ FAR 93 ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Warning Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area**Aircraft Load Description** (Check all that apply)☒ None ☐ Towing Glider ☐ Parachutists ☐ Livestock
☐ Passengers ☐ Towing Banner ☐ Water ☐ Unknown
☐ Cargo ☐ Other External ☐ Chemical/Fertilizer/Seeds**FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION****Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(convert from pounds, as necessary)

60 Gallons**Fuel Type**☐ 80/87 ☐ 115/145 ☐ JP3 ☐ Other, specify _____
☒ 100 Low Lead ☐ Jet A ☐ JP4
☐ 100/130 ☐ Automotive ☐ JP5**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

I exited via the pilot side door. No other occupants.

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE**Weather Observation Facility**Facility ID: KGJT

Observation Time: _____

Time Zone: MDTDistance from Accident Site: _____ 30 NMDirection from Accident Site: _____ 130 degrees MAG**Source of Weather Information**

(Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ National Weather Service | ☐ Company |
| ☐ Flight Service Station | ☐ Military |
| ☐ TV/Radio | ☐ Internet |
| ☐ Automated Report | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) | |

Method of Briefing

(Check all that apply)

- | |
|---|
| ☐ In Person |
| ☐ Teletype |
| ☐ Telephone/Computer |
| ☐ Aircraft Radio |
| ☐ TV/Radio |
| ☐ Unknown |

Briefing Type/Completeness

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Full | ☐ Abbreviated |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Pilot | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Briefer | ☒ Not Pertinent |

Light Condition

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ Dawn | ☐ Dusk | ☐ Dark Night |
| ☒ Day | ☐ Night | ☐ Bright Night |
| ☐ Not Reported | | |

Visibility_____ 30 miles**Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition**

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

Ceiling

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☒ None (clear) | ☐ Obscured |
| ☐ Broken | ☐ Indefinite |
| ☐ Overcast | ☐ Unknown |

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 |

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

_____ ft AGL

Ceiling Height

_____ ft AGL

Wind Direction☐ Indicated:
_____ degrees MAG☒ Variable**Wind Speed**

Velocity: _____ KTS

-or-

- | |
|--|
| ☐ Calm |
| ☒ Light and Variable |

Wind Gusts

Velocity: _____ KTS

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Gusting |
| ☒ Not Gusting |

Type of Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|--|---|
| ☒ None | ☐ In Clouds |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Vicinity of Thunderstorm |

Severity of Turbulence

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Extreme | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Moderate Chop | |

NOTAMs (D, L and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident

None

Temperature: _____ (C)
or _____ (F)Altimeter Setting: _____ in. HG
or _____ MB

Density Altitude: _____ ft

Dew Point: _____ (C)
or _____ (F)**Icing Forecast****Amount**

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Mixed |

Icing Actual**Amount**

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ None | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Mixed |

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

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

Intensity of Precipitation

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Light | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Heavy |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

PILOT "A" INFORMATION

Pilot "A" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

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

Pilot "A" Identification

First Name: Michael City: Grand Junction
 Middle Initial: J State: CO ZIP: 81507
 Last Name: O'Connell III Country: USA
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: 61 Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy Certificate Number: mm/dd/yyyy **+**

Degree of Injury

☒ None
 ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

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

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None
 ☐ Student
 ☐ Recreational
 ☐ Commercial
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Foreign
☒ Private
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Sport
 ☐ Airline Transport
 ☐ U.S. Military

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
☒ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

06/20/2012
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

Must have available glasses for near vision

Medical Certificate Waivers

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

03/03/2012
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Cessna
 Model: 172

Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None
☒ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

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

☒ None
☐ Airship
☐ Free 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 Multi-Engine
 ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane
 ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift
 ☐ Sport

Type Ratings

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	182	33	182	0	10	0	4	0	0	0
Pilot in Command (PIC)	108	33	108	0	10	0	4	0	0	0
Time as Instructor	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
This Make/Model					0	0	1			
Last 90 Days	6	6	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Last 30 Days	4	4	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Last 24 Hours	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

PILOT "B" INFORMATION

Pilot "B" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

☐ Pilot
 ☐ Co-Pilot
 ☐ Student Pilot
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Check Pilot
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Other Flight Crew

Pilot "B" Identification

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Certificate Number: _____
mm/dd/yyyy

Degree of Injury

☐ None
 ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

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

Seat Belt

Used ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None
 ☐ Student
 ☐ Recreational
 ☐ Commercial
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Foreign
☐ Private
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Sport
 ☐ Airline Transport
 ☐ U.S. Military

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
☐ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

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Medical Certificate Limitations

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Total Time										
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREW MEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin attendants, complete the following information)																	
Pilot Name and Address						Degree of Injury											
First Name: _____			City: _____			☐ None		☐ Fatal									
Middle Initial: _____			State: _____ ZIP: _____			☐ Minor		☐ Unknown									
Last Name: _____			Country: _____			☐ Serious											
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)						Seat Occupied											
☐ None		☐ Student		☐ Recreational		☐ Commercial		☐ Flight Engineer									
☐ Private		☐ Flight Instructor		☐ Sport		☐ Airline Transport		☐ U.S. Military									
								☐ Foreign									
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No				Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs		☐ Left		☐ Front									
						☐ Right		☐ Rear									
						☐ Center		☐ Single									
								☐ Unknown									
Pilot Name and Address						Degree of Injury											
First Name: _____			City: _____			☐ None		☐ Fatal									
Middle Initial: _____			State: _____ ZIP: _____			☐ Minor		☐ Unknown									
Last Name: _____			Country: _____			☐ Serious											
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)						Seat Occupied											
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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include flight attendants; continue on separate sheet if necessary)																	
Name and Address						Seat	Crew	Non-Revenue	Revenue	Non-Occupant	FAA	Fatal	Serious Injury	Minor Injury	No Injury	Unknown	
First Name: _____ City: _____						_____	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Last Name: _____ Country: _____																	
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Last Name: _____ Country: _____																	
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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 time and point of departure, intended destination, and services obtained.

Pre-flight check was normal, including the propeller control check. There were no clouds and visibility was unrestricted. I departed KGJT about 1045 for VFR practice touch and go's at Montrose (KMTJ). After completion of the second touch and go at Montrose, I began a climb to 8500 for return to KGJT. While climbing, I armed the auto pilot for a cruise altitude of 8500 and route of GPS direct KGJT. The autopilot leveled the aircraft at 8500 MSL. Shortly after levelling at 8500, I started the Cruise portion of the the checklist. I reduced manifold pressure to 19", and then began to reduce the propeller RPM from 2400 to 2250. The aircraft performance up until this point was normal. While adjusting the propeller RPM, the autopilot announced "Trim in Motion". There was also a second aural alert from the autopilot. It may have been "Check Trim", but I am not sure.

Propeller RPM dropped abruptly to about 2100 while I was turning the control knob. I then pushed the propeller control full in, but there was no change in the RPM readout. I pushed the throttle in to full power and turned the autopilot off. The throttle remained full and the autopilot remained off for the remainder of the flight. Airspeed at this time was about 110 KIAS, but was decreasing. I did not continue with the Cruise checklist, but started a descent to 7500 MSL. After reaching 7500 MSL, airspeed seemed to stabilize at 85 KIAS. The manifold pressure indicated 20.9". The aircraft seemed to have some thrust, and the instruments seemed to confirm that.

I wasn't sure what had happened to the airplane. My understanding is that in event of failure, the prop would set for 2400 RPM, but it stayed about 2100, and I couldn't adjust it, and . At the RPM and power setting I saw on the instruments, the aircraft should have been flying at a lot higher airspeed, but it wasn't. I continued toward KGJT.

After a few miles, the RPM became erratic. The highest reading I saw was 2150, the lowest was 2040. At this point, 34 miles southeast of KGJT, I called Grand Junction tower and declared an emergency. While I was talking to tower, airspeed started to decrease again. The tower suggested Delta. I looked at both Blake and Westwinds (D17) on the VFR sectional and the G1000 GPS map. Blake has a longer runway and required a lot less turning to get on final. I again tried to adjust the propeller RPM, cycling the propeller and returning the control to full in (max RPM), but it remained erratic, above and below 2100. I saw Blake and made a right turn toward it.

Shortly after turning toward Blake, I heard a "clunking" sound from the front of the airplane. Not a ringing or rapping, but a heavy, muffled clunking. Aircraft then lost all thrust, and it was clear that I wouldn't make it to Blake. Below me on both sides were fields and dirt roads, ahead was the Gunnison River, then US Highway 50, a 4 lane road with a long straight stretch to my left. There were fields on the far side of the highway, then rocky terrain and ravines. I decided to land on the highway. I didn't see the power line poles at this time. There was no extra altitude, so I decided on a no-flap landing. By the time I saw the poles, I was committed to landing on the road. I was in a shallow left turn and chose to go between the power line poles instead of over them. I didn't want to risk a stall by pulling the nose up to get over the poles while still turning to get lined up on the road.

I struck power lines while in the left turn. The aircraft yawed farther to the left, and I tried to correct back in order to stay lined up on the right two lanes of the road. After getting lined up, I began to flare, losing sight of the road directly in front of the airplane. The stall warning horn sounded shortly before touchdown. I had difficulty maintaining directional control after landing, and was unaware that the right main gear had separated. I tried to keep the aircraft on the pavement and in the right two lanes, but it went off the right shoulder shortly before coming to a stop. After stopping, I shut off the avionics, the standby battery, and the Main switches. I pulled the Mixture to idle cutoff, switched the Fuel Selector to OFF, then left the airplane. A policeman arrived in a couple of minutes.

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

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION *(Please type or print in ink)*

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

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

Date of this Report05/08/2013*mm/dd/yyyy***Signature and Name of Pilot/Operator**

Signature: _____

Type or Print Name: Michael J. O'Connell III**Signature and Name of Person Filing Report if Other than Pilot/Operator**

Signature: _____

Type or Print Name: _____

Title: _____

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