



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Person Contacted: Sheriff James Kelly
NTSB Accident Number: CEN14LA379

Narrative:

During a telephone conversation Sheriff Kelly stated the following:

Sheriff Kelly was in his yard with his son. They heard what sounded like an ultralight airplane make a low pass. They looked and observed a small airplane make a turn and eventually lost sight of the airplane as it disappeared behind the trees, flying over Wallace Lake. The airplane came back up over the trees at which time they heard the engine of the airplane rev several times. It sounded like the pilot was increasing power to the engine in attempt to climb. The airplane descended towards the trees and they heard a “boom” or “thud” like something heavy was dropped on the ground.

Sheriff Kelly and his son immediately went to the airplane. He stated that there was fuel in the fuel tank and that no fuel was leaking from the airplane. He stated that a GoPro Camera was attached to the airplane and the airplane was damaged by the impact. He stated that the pilot was known in the area as a wildlife photographer.