



Memo for Record

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Person Contacted: Frank Fortmann, FAA FSDO

NTSB Accident Number: CEN17LA336

Narrative: During the notification and subsequent conversations with the FAA inspector, he made the following points:

- The pilot and passengers were conducting aerial hog hunting operations.
- The helicopter lost power, near Burnet, TX. The pilot conducted an autorotation, however, the helicopter landed hard. Pilot was not injured, and the two passengers had unknown injuries.
- Helicopter was taken off highway, into impound yard.
 - o Helicopter was a previous ex – army,, converted to civilian use.
 - o Checked fuel tank with dip stick,, nothing
 - o Pump/injector, check valve,,, looking for trapped fuel; nothing
 - o Checked previous refueling station; Filters were okay, other people had purchased fuel : no problems reported with fuel station.
- Provided pilot's contact information
 - o Sent NTSB 6120 and left message: no response
 - o FAA unable to get in contact with pilot, after initial