

Communication Summary

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Information from: Inspector Sandy Boerman, FAA



Summary & Factual Information: Inspector Boerman was asked for the current details she was made aware of in reference to the accident at RFD with N500KR. She, in part, responded:

Aircraft King Air C90 N500KR, s/n LJ-708 was VFR into Rockford Airport. The pilot asked for priority handling when he check in with approach. When asked why the priority handling he responded that he “lost a transfer pump and had a little less fuel than he thought so I don’t want to come in with a single engine.” ATC asked him if he needed assistance he said negative. He continued to the downwind of RWY 19. At approximately the numbers he was at 1500 feet MSL, 130 kts when he asked for the lights on RWY25 to be turned up he had lost an engine. That was the last transmission. The aircraft turned towards RWY 25 and impacted the ground just short of the runway, skidded across the street through the airport fence and came to rest.

Unverified [if the owner] was the pilot in command last night and is unconscious at the hospital. ...

Three passengers were on board ... all sent to the hospital.

I can attest that the above summary is correct to the best of my knowledge:

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