

On April 22, 2019 at approximately 8:50 am CDT, I was traveling north on Horizon Blvd, as I looked to the west I saw the mishap aircraft in a nose low, (almost vertical attitude) and rotating clockwise. After 1/2 to 3/4 of a rotation the aircraft disappeared behind a ridge line.

I called 911 and reported the downed aircraft, and proceeded to the area. I came upon two men working on a fence line and asked if they had seen an airplane. They said they saw it low in the sky and heading in a southerly direction. I parked my car and proceeded on foot to where I believed the aircraft had impacted.

I headed down a fairly steep and rocky ravine searching for the aircraft. After running about 1/3 of a mile down this ravine and not seeing the aircraft, I climbed an adjacent hill to try to get a better perspective of the area. I saw what appeared to be first responders in an area 1/4 mile back up the ravine.

As I arrived at the mishap site I was met by Trooper Schmidt of the Texas Department of Public Safety. At the site I observed the aircraft in an upright attitude in a small hollow at the bottom of the ravine. It was apparent that no one survived the impact. Also apparent was a lack of any fuel fumes or fuel draining from the wreckage.

I gave my contact information to the trooper and he directed me to Deputy Sheriff Jeff Bowman of the Kerr County Sheriff's Department. I provided a written statement and my contact information and left the scene.

After a few hours I was contacted and asked to return to the scene to meet with Victor Lopez of the FAA. At the mishap site I spoke with Victor and described what I saw. We also discussed the aircraft's deviation from the final approach path, the lack of any scarring of the ground around the site, and the apparent lack of evidence of any fuel remaining in the aircraft.

Michael T. White
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Witness Statement

Witness: Rodney Lee Simmons

Aircraft: N501CE

Contact No: [REDACTED]

Eye witness statement as recorded by Inspector Victor H. Lopez. Mr. Simmons was working in an open area on a hill overlooking the area where he noticed a small aircraft come out of the clouds with the tail end dragging and nose up attitude. He reported that both engines were running and the aircraft was on a direct flight path to the Kerrville Airport, Flaps were in the down position. Mr. Simmons then noticed the aircraft banked hard right then went nose down the flattened out and crashed.

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Signed: Victor H. Lopez ASI SAT/FSDO