

Record of events

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Narrative: Initial action at accident scene:

When I, as the designated FAA IIC arrived on the scene on 09/22/2020 at approximately 12:00 I was greeted by the land owner of the property where the aircraft impacted the ground. He provided me with a written statement of the events post and prior to the accident. I took several pictures of the aircraft and observed that the aircraft was positioned nose down into the landing spot. The dual carburetor system has been jarred loose from the aircraft engine during ground impact.

It was noted that the fuel tank was damaged during impact and the fuel was completely drained from the tank and into the ground. I removed the air filters from the carburetors in order to photograph the throttle body of each. An examination of the aircraft revealed that there was not apparent cause of loss of control or engine failure. The engine was hand propped through several revolutions and there was not obvious internal damage to the engine to restrict or impede turning the propeller.

The owner and I pulled the aircraft tail down so it could rest on the landing gear. We then pushed the aircraft out of the driveway into the grass area and the owner tied the aircraft down so the local winds would not further damage the aircraft.

Due to the pilot's injuries he was not available for an interview until 09/24/2020. I interviewed the pilot at his home and received a brief written statement from him and some basic information on the aircraft.

The aircraft remains in the area off the side of the driveway tied down waiting on official release back to the owner.