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RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Klinton Adams

May 19, 2021

Interviewee: Klinton Adams
Date/Time: May 19, 2021 / 1415 CDT
Location: Telephone Call
Investigator: Andrew Todd Fox, NTSB Air Safety Investigator

Background:

Multiple individuals reported that the pilot posted a Snapchat video shortly before the accident. The Snapchat video reportedly depicted the terrain ahead of the airplane's position, including the wind turbines and cornfields located about 5-10 miles southeast of the accident site. The tower that the airplane crashed near was not visible in the video post. After the accident, another individual, identified as Mr. Klinton Adams, took a screenshot of his Snapchat map screen, which showed the location where the pilot's Snapchat video was posted. Snapchat content generally is automatically deleted from the platform after 24 hours. NTSB Investigator Fox was not made aware of the Snapchat video post until after the video post was deleted from the Snapchat platform.

NTSB Investigator Fox and Mr. Klinton Adams discussed the following:

Mr. Adams explained that he did not have a copy of the pilot's Snapchat video post and confirmed that it is not currently displayed on his Snapchat mobile-phone application. Mr. Adams explained that Snapchat posts generally are automatically removed from the social network platform after 24 hours.

Mr. Adams stated that he still had the screenshot of the Snapchat map screen that showed the location of where the pilot posted the video during the accident flight. Based on the screenshot of the Snapchat map, the location of the pilot's Snapchat post was north of West Pine River Road, south of West Kent Road, east of South Alamando Rd, and west of South Magruder Road.

Mr. Adams agreed to text Investigator Fox a copy of the Snapshot screenshot that showed the location of the pilot's last Snapchat video post, attached as figure 1 and figure 2. The location of the pilot's last Snapchat video post is depicted as a red and white biplane.

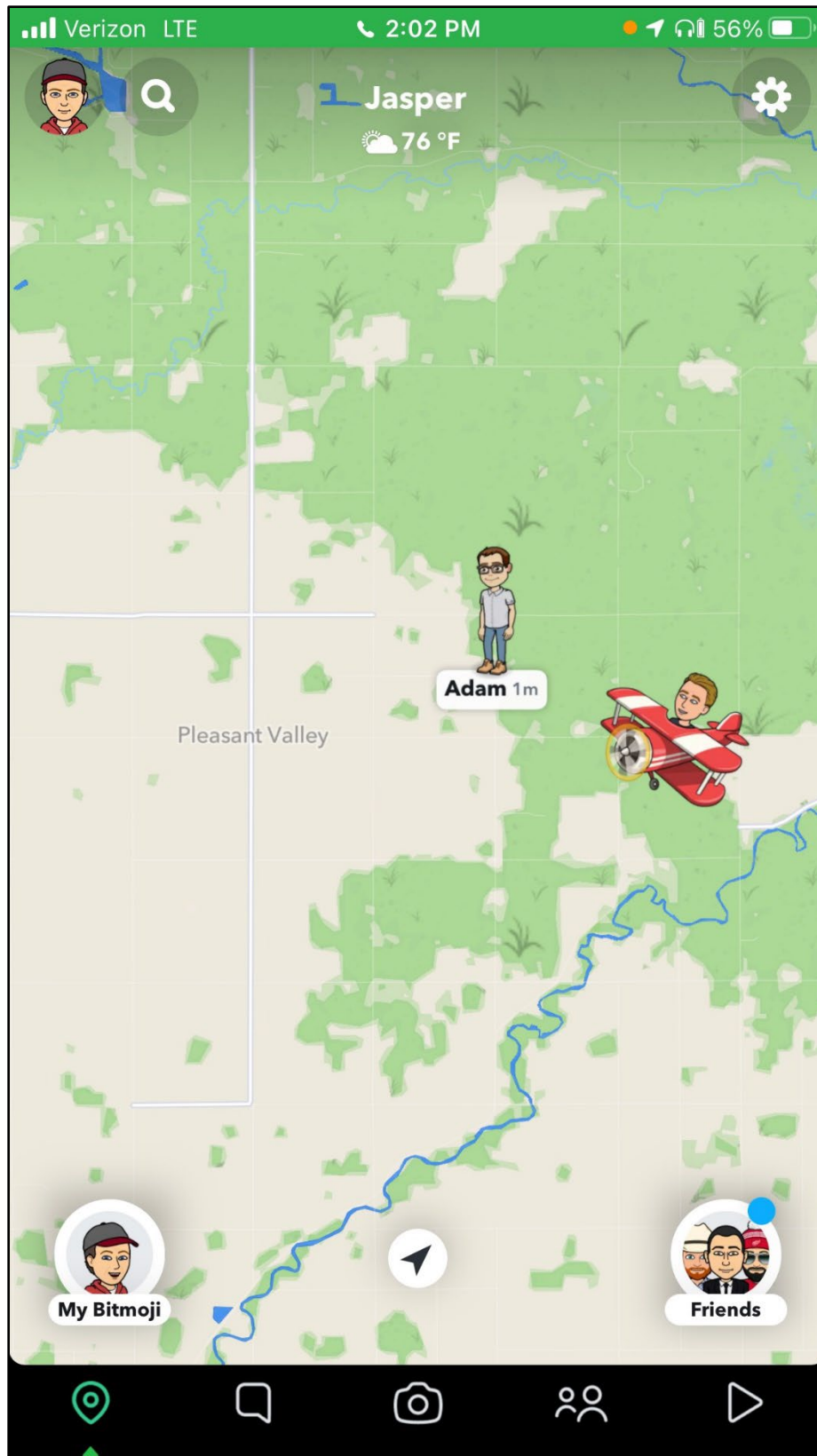


Figure 1 - Screenshot of Snapchat Map Showing Location of Pilot's Video Post

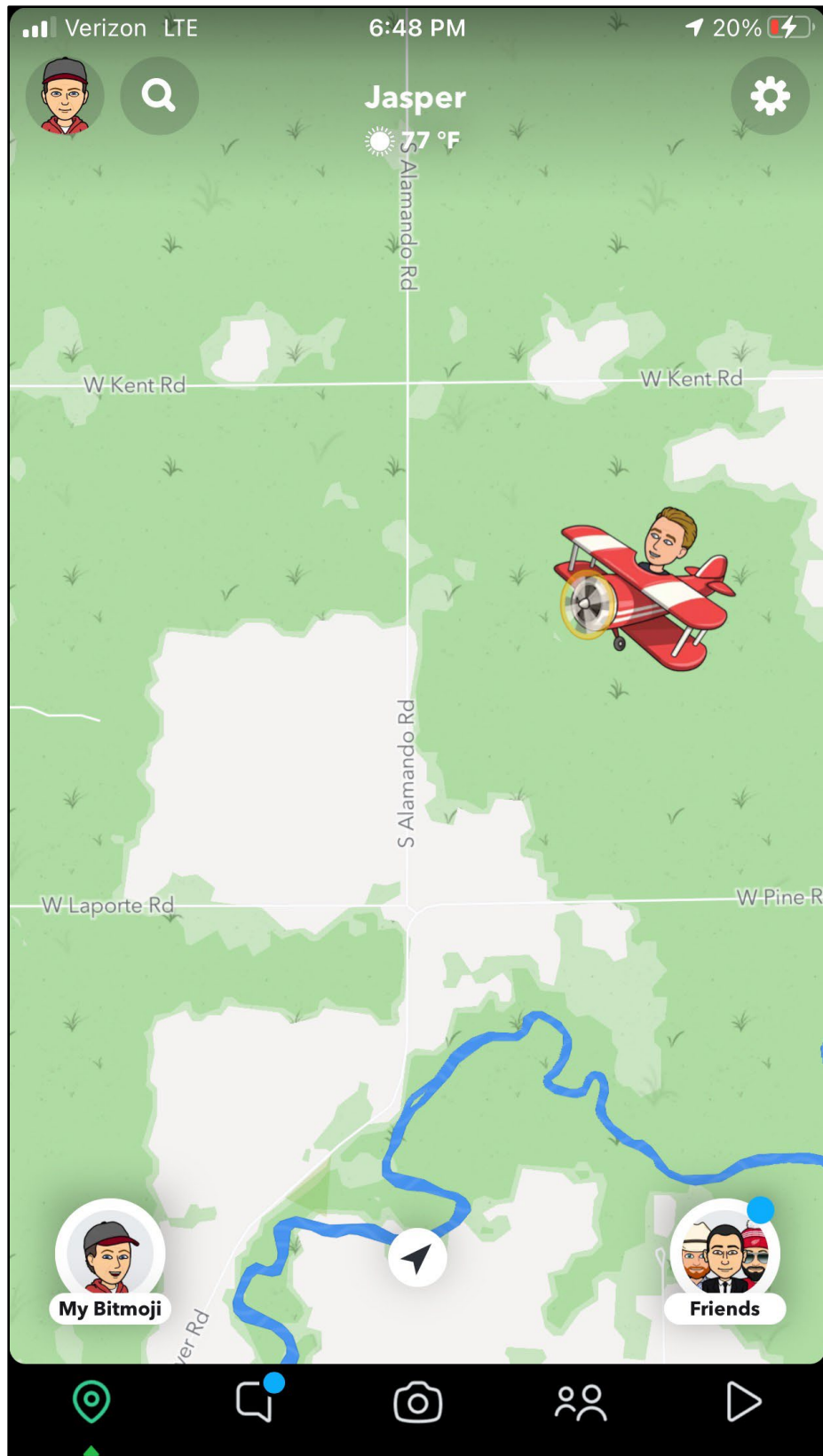


Figure 2 - Screenshot of Snapchat Map (Zoomed)