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Aaron,

Here is a statement from the pilot of N4328P

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On 6/21/21 at approximately 4:10pm I arrived at the field I was spraying and I lined up with a saved pattern on a field I partially sprayed on 6/18/21. I made my first pass going north on the field and made my turn for my second pass. While I was in my second pass I noticed the chemical was reacting and foaming over through the hopper vent. I pulled up out of my second pass and looked behind to see the chemical foaming out of the overflow. When I looked forward I saw the foam reacting violently and started to emit from the hopper lid to the point my vision was completely obscured. I reached for my windshield wash and immediately knew it was going to do nothing. I looked at my altimeter to see if I was gaining or losing altitude but being at 100' it wasn't showing much movement and after a second or two I made the decision to open the window to see what attitude the airplane was at so I could possibly continue flying to safety. As I opened my window I made impact with the ground in a somewhat wings level attitude and slid to a stop approximately a mile and a half south of the field I was working.