



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: 7/1/2022
Person Contacted: Robert Earhart
NTSB Accident Number: CEN22LA160

Narrative:

Mr. Earhart confirmed that he was the pilot of Cessna 180, N4738B, that was involved in an accident in Lampasas, TX.

- He said that when he landed at Lampasas it was “rough” and right at the edge of the airplane’s crosswind capabilities.
- Due to the strong crosswind he thought he would be better off taking off from the perpendicular taxiway that was oriented more into the wind.
- He said that the wind was not as strong as he had thought and he wasn’t able to clear the trees in the departure path.
- When asked if there were any mechanical problems with the airplane, he said that there were none.
- He noted that he had owned the airplane since 1983.
- His intended destination was the Lakeview Airport in Dallas, TX (30F)

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