

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATIONS SAFETY BOARD
Office of Aviation Safety
Washington, DC 20594

SUMMARY OF EXAMINATION

-- CEN22LA184 --

A. ACCIDENT

Location: Terre Haute, Indiana
Date: April 27, 2022
Time: 1325 eastern daylight time
Aircraft: Piper PA-24-260, N73T

B. PARTICIPANTS

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Aviation Accident Investigator
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C. ACCIDENT SUMMARY

On April 27, 2022, about 13:25 eastern daylight time, a Piper PA-24-260 airplane, N73T, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Terre Haute, Indiana. The pilot and passenger were not injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal flight.

D. DETAILS OF AIRCRAFT EXAMINATION

Federal Aviation Administration inspectors submitted a bearing fragment separated from the right main landing gear trunnion fitting.

F. SUMMARY OF EXAMINATION

Visual examination of the separated bearing fragment revealed a rough, uniform fracture surface consistent with an overload failure of the trunnion bearing. No evidence of fatigue or corrosion was observed.

Summary of Examination



Bearing fragment found on runway

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