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Scott Drenner, Pilot of N8350M

The pilot, Mr. Scott Drenner, provided the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) inspector a video from his cockpit mounted GoPro camera of his second landing.

The video started as the helicopter approached a towable helipad positioned on a concrete surface with no visible surrounding obstructions. The pilot was seated in the right seat with his feet and hands visible on the flight controls. As the helicopter approached the helipad the pilot stated, "this is feeling good, going, going, nice, nice, keep it going." Then the helicopter touched down with about half of the helipad visible from the cockpit, and the front of the skids were near the middle of the helipad. The helicopter then tipped aft, and the pilot abruptly and simultaneously pulled up on the collective, pushed forward on the cyclic and applied right anti-torque pedal input. The helicopter ascended and entered a spin to the right and banked left. He then pulled aft on the cyclic and the helicopter impacted the ground in a right spin and came to rest on its skids adjacent to the helipad. The pilot turned off electrical switches and evacuated the helicopter without further incident.

The video revealed a notable abrasion on the helipad that was perpendicular the front of the helicopter's skids during landing. A measurement from the notable abrasion to the edge of the helipad revealed the helicopter settled onto the helipad with about 2 ft of its aft skids off the edge of the helipad.

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