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**Date:** July 10, 2024  
**Subject:** CEN24LA187 Law Enforcement Bodycam Video Summary  
**Contact:** Nebraska Highway Patrol

The Nebraska Highway Patrol provided a body camera video from a law enforcement officer that interviewed the noncertificated pilot, Mr. Douglas Stunkel in the hospital on February 11, 2024.

In the video, Mr. Stunkel stated that he forgot to adjust the airplane's propeller control, and during takeoff, the airplane didn't have enough power. The airplane overran the runway and impacted equipment on his property. He reported that the airplane's fuel tanks contained about 12 gallons of fuel. There were no mechanical malfunctions with the airplane, and it was a mistake on his part by not setting the propeller control for takeoff. He further stated that the airplane was substantially damaged.

The officer requested permission to access his property to evaluate the damage to the airplane and examine for fuel leaks. Mr. Stunkel denied access to his property and stated that he would take care of the airplane himself.

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