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CEN25LA129 - N237DB

Pilot - Matthew Hoover

On March 15, 2025, I was the Duty Officer taking incoming phone calls for the Central Region. I spoke with Mr. Hoover regarding an off airport landing he made near Kiowa, Colorado, in N237DB, a Stemme GMBH &CO S10-VT powered sailplane.

Mr. Hoover stated that while operating the motor on the powered sailplane, the engine quit. Mr. Hoover landed the sailplane and impacted a fence, which resulted in substantial damage to the aircraft.

Mr. Hoover stated that he ran out of fuel. Upon inspection of the fuel tanks, it was noted that they were depleted of fuel.

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