

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD • PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT**REPORT** Use this form (Form 6120.1) to report civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents**BASIC INFORMATION****Accident/Incident Location**Nearest City/Place: Durango State: COZIP: 81301 Country: USALatitude: 37 22'59"W Longitude: 107 50'59"W

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/TimeDate: 01/30/26 Local Time: 09:30*mm/dd/yyyy*Time Zone: MSTCollision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None**AIRCRAFT INFORMATION**Registration Number: N4010KManufacturer: Adams BalloonModel: A55Serial Number: 245Year of Manufacture: 2017Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Original Design ☐ Kit/PlansMake: A55S

- ☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified
☐ Commercial Space Flight
☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: _____ lbs.

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: _____ lbs.

Number of Seats: _____ Flight Crew Seats: _____

Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: _____

Number of Engines: _____

Category of Aircraft
(Select one)

- ☐ Airplane
☒ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift
☐ Rocket
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate
(Check all that apply)**Standard**

- ☐ Normal
☐ Aerobatic
☒ Balloon
☐ Commuter
☐ Transport
☐ Utility

Special

- ☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☐ Special Flight
☐ Experimental
☐ Special Light-Sport
☐ Experimental Light-Sport

- ☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ Retractable ☐ High Skid
☐ Tricycle ☐ Skid
☐ Tailwheel ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Hull
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Amphibian ☐ Unknown
☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
☒ None

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☐ Reciprocating ☐ Liquid Rocket
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Solid Rocket
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Hybrid Rocket
☐ Turbo Jet ☒ None
☐ Turbo Fan ☐ Unknown
☐ Electric

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☐ Carburetor ☐ Fuel Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Engine Serial Number	Date of Mfg. (mm/dd/yyyy)	Rated Power ☐ Horsepower or ☐ Lbs. of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1								
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
☐ AAIP
☒ Annual
☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Condition Inspection
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Inspection: 09/16/25
*mm/dd/yyyy*Airframe Total Time: 133 hrs

Hours measured at (Select one)

☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident**Type of Maintenance Program (Select One)**

- ☒ Annual
☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
☐ Other Approved Inspection Program
☐ (AAIP) Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☒ None
☐ Specify: _____

Additional Equipment

- ☐ ADS-B
☐ Airframe Parachute
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
☐ Autopilot
☐ Autopilot/FMS, Model: _____
☐ Coupled Flight Director
☐ Data Recorder
☐ Device Stall Warning System
☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
☐ Flight Management System

- ☒ Handheld GPS
☐ Heads Up Display
☐ Night Vision Goggles
☐ Onboard Weather
☐ Primary Flight Display
☐ SAS, Axis (circle one): 2, 3, 4, Model: _____
☐ Satellite Tracking Device
☐ Stall Warning System
☐ Video Recording Device
☐ Wire Strike Detection
☐ Wire Strike Protection
☐ Other, Specify: _____

ELT Installed: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: _____

Model or Part No.: _____

TSO No.: ☐ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)
☐ C126 (406 MHz)Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ NoWas ELT still connected to antenna? ☐ Yes ☐ NoDid ELT activate? ☐ Yes ☐ NoIf activated: Did ELT aid in locating aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ NoIf not activated: Indicate Reason: ☐ Impact Damage☐ Fire Damage ☐ Battery ☐ Expired/Damaged ☐ UnknownPropeller 1 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Propeller 2 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**

Name: [REDACTED]
 City: Albuquerque State: NM
 ZIP: 87109 Country: USA

Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Operator of Aircraft

☒ *The Operator is also the Registered Owner*

☐ *Same address as Registered Owner*

Name: _____
 City: _____ State: _____
 ZIP: _____ Country: _____

Doing Business As: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4-character code): _____

Operating Certificates Held

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)
☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ Commercial Space Transportation
 Experimental Permit
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431
☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437
☐ FAR 450
☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial
☐ Public Aircraft *(Select one)*
 ☐ Armed Forces
 ☐ Federal
 ☐ State
 ☐ Local
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135

(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International
☐ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137

(Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☒ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry ☐ Unknown

Revenue Sightseeing Flight

☐ Yes ☒ No

Air Medical Flight

☐ Yes ☒ No

AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)

Airport Name: _____

Airport Identifier: _____

Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm.

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true

Airport Elevation: _____ ft. MSL

Runway Information

Runway ID: _____ Length: _____ ft. Width: _____ ft.

Runway/Landing Surface *(Check all that apply)*

- ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Ice ☐ Snow
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Dirt ☐ Helideck ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Elevated Heliport ☐ Helistop ☐ Off-site landing area

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface *(Check all that apply)*

- ☐ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment *(Select one)*

- ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown) ☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

IFR Approach *(Check all that apply)*

- ☐ None
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Unknown
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling

VFR Approach *(Check all that apply)*

- ☐ None
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go Simulated
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Forced Landing Forced
☐ Go Around ☐ Landing Precautionary
☐ Full Stop ☐ Landing
☐ Unknown

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: [REDACTED]

City of Residence: Albuquerque

Middle Initial: [REDACTED]

State: NM ZIP: 87109

Last Name: [REDACTED]

Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 62

Date of Birth: [REDACTED] (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number [REDACTED]

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☒ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

☒ Supplemental. Restraint type: Waist Belt

Inflatable Restraints

☒ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial
☐ US Military ☒ Private ☐ Recreational
☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☒ None ☐ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☒ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Special Limitations****Personal Flight Equipment** (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

09/07/2025
 mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Adams

Model: A55S

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☒ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☒ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements

private pilot lighter than air limited to hot air balloons with airborne heater

Student Endorsements (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotocraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time	749	146								749		
Pilot in Command (PIC)	749									749		
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days	2	2								2		
Last 30 Days	1	1								1		
Last 24 Hours	0	0								0		

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☒ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: _____

City of Residence: _____

Middle Initial: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Last Name: _____

Country: _____

Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____

Date of Birth: _____ (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial
☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational
☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☐ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical_____
mm/dd/yyyy**Medical Certificate Limitations****Medical Certificate Special Limitations****Personal Flight Equipment** (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:_____
mm/dd/yyyy**Flight Review Aircraft**

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotocraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time												
Pilot in Command (PIC)												
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days												
Last 30 Days												
Last 24 Hours												

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information.)

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer		Restraint Type Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.		

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military ☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign ☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer		Restraint Type Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____	Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.		

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet, if necessary.)

Number of Passengers <u>2</u>									
Passenger Information	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age				
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	<table style="width:100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td> ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____ </td> <td> ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown </td> </tr> </table>	Available	Used	☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____	☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
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First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown ☐ Supplemental. Restraint type: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Flight Information	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	Time: _____ Time Zone: _____	Flight Number: _____ Operating as Flight _____	Airport ID: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____	☐ None ☐ Company VFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ VFR ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ IFR ☐ Unknown Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply) ☐None				
☐ Certificate of Authorization	☐ Special VFR	☐ Special IFR	☐ VFR Flight Following	☐ Cruise
☐ VFR	☐ IFR	☐ VFR On Top	☐ Traffic Advisory	☐ Unknown / NA

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)					Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: _____ ft. MSL
☐ Class A	☐ Class G	☐ Military Operations Area (MOA)	☐ Special	☐ Air Traffic Control Area	
☐ Class B	☐ Demo Area	☐ Airport Advisory Area	☐ Unknown		
☐ Class C	☐ Warning Area	☐ Jet Training Area			
☐ Class D	☐ Prohibited Area	☐ TRSA			
☐ Class E	☐ Restricted Area	☐ FAR 93			

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE				
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Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply)		Weather Observation Facility		
☐ National Weather Service ☒ Flight Service Station ☐ TV/Radio ☐ Automated Report ☐ Electronic Flight Bag-Application:	☐ Company ☐ Military ☒ Internet ☐ None ☐ Unknown	Facility ID: <u>KDRO</u> Observation Time: <u>0700</u> Time Zone: _____ Distance from Accident Site: <u>20</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>140</u> degrees true		
☐ On-Board Weather				

Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	Lowest Cloud Condition Height _____ ft. AGL	Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☐ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night		
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Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☒ Clear ☐ Few ☐ Partial ☐ Obscuration ☐ Scattered	Ceiling ☒ None (Clear) ☐ Broken ☐ Overcast ☐ Obscured ☐ Indefinite ☐ Unknown	Ceiling Height _____ ft. AGL	Temperature: _____ (°C) or <u>35</u> (°F) Dewpoint: _____ (°C) or _____ (°F)	
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Altimeter Setting: _____ Hg or _____ mb	Wind Direction ☒ Variable Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☐ Calm ☒ Light and Variable Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting or Speed: _____ kts	Visibility _____ miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Destiny Altitude: _____ ft.
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Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)				Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)	
☒ None ☐ Rain ☐ Snow ☐ Hail ☐ Rain Showers	☐ Drizzle ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Ice Crystals	☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Freezing Drizzle	☒ None ☐ Fog ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog ☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke ☐ Dust ☐ Unknown		

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NOTAMS (D and FDC), AIRMETS, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident: <u>None</u>
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DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☒ None ☐ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property *(Use additional sheet, if necessary.)*

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT *(Please type or print in ink.)*

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

Hot air balloon flight began at 0845 from a vacant lot north of the landing in the Animas Valley, North of Durango. Flight was routine, with total travel 1.2 nm from the launch site with a maximum altitude of 1,000 ft agl.

During landing of the hot air balloon, a bystander grabbed the edge of the basket during initial contact with the ground in an attempt to add weight and stabilize the balloon. After the initial contact, the basket lifted off the ground approximately four to five feet before coming to a final stop. During the upward hop, the bystander held onto the basket and was lifted off the ground, lost hold of the basket, and fell to the ground. The injured party did not seek medical care until later in the afternoon, when a fractured femur was diagnosed.

OPERATOR/OWNER SAFETY RECOMMENDATION *(How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)*

Bystanders should have been warned to stay away from the basket until coming to a final stop.

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on a separate sheet.)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Total Time/ Cycles On Part

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION

Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

30 Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 100 Low Lead
☐ Automotive☐ Jet A
☐ Jet A-1☐ Unleaded AV☒ Other, specify propane

Other Services, if any, prior to departure:

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location:

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft.)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft:

☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None

Model: _____

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

Name: _____

City: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Additional space for answers to any question.)

By signing this form, I am consenting to the public release of the information provided herein.

Date of this report: <u>02/06/2026</u> <i>mm/dd/yyyy</i>	Name of Pilot/Operator: [REDACTED] _____ Signature: _____ -or- ☒ Check here to electronically sign this document
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If a person other than Pilot/Operator is filing this report

Name: _____ Signature: _____ -or- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document	Title: _____
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