



MEMORANDUM OF CONVERSATION

Investigator Name
Air Safety Investigator
Eastern Region

Date: June 14, 2016
Person Contacted: Karl Tubbs
NTSB Accident Number: ERA16CA227

Narrative:

Pilot said he was attempting to fly 1,000 kilometers for a special distance certificate.

He was flying down the ridgeline and using the thermals to maintain altitude. Looks like he ran out of thermals and the only option was to land in a field.

The field looks ok but is covered in tall grass. The glider landed and struck the large hole with the main gear. The collision damaged the gear and the wing dug into the ground. The tail was damaged as well.

Evan Smith is assisting in the investigation and will get the SPAS package off.