



RECORD of CONVERSATION

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Date: December 28, 2018
Person Contacted: Scott Strickland, FAA Inspector

This investigator interviewed Mr. Strickland by telephone and email. He stated traveled to the pilot's home and inspected the airplane. He observed substantial damage to the fuselage tube structure and main landing gear. After an initial examination of the engine, it was started and ran for several minutes around 3,500 rpm. Additionally, both magnetos produced an acceptable drop in rpm when checked.

The engine was sent to an overhaul shop and an initial inspection of the assembled engine indicated no mechanical issues. After further inspection, the mechanic found a stuck float needle in the carburetor and a clogged carburetor vent line. This inspection was completed without FAA or NTSB oversight.