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Summary of Email: Between FAA and Jim Vaughn

The following is an email exchange between FAA Inspector Steve Davidson and the pilot/owner, Jim Vaughn.

*"Mr. Davidson,*

*This is Jim Vaughan, pilot of N4349R.*

*We departed KOPN on 10/27/2022. Wx was good winds calm and traffic was landing Rwy 12 so we used 12 for departure. I have made several trips to Gentle Landings Air Park. I set up for landing on RWY 25 Left downwind. On turning final I noticed I was a little high so I pulled the power off and selected full flaps. Crossing the approach end I noticed the ground speed seemed a little high and elected to try to land. Braking action was not very effective on the grass and by then was too late to make a go-around and went into a pile of tree logs that had been stacked at the end of the runway. After stopping we were all able to get out of the aircraft and walked to the hangar at the other end of the runway. There were two other passengers and neither of them sustained any injuries. I received a deep cut on my right hand that required stitches and a cut on my left elbow."*

*Thanks,  
James W. Vaughan*