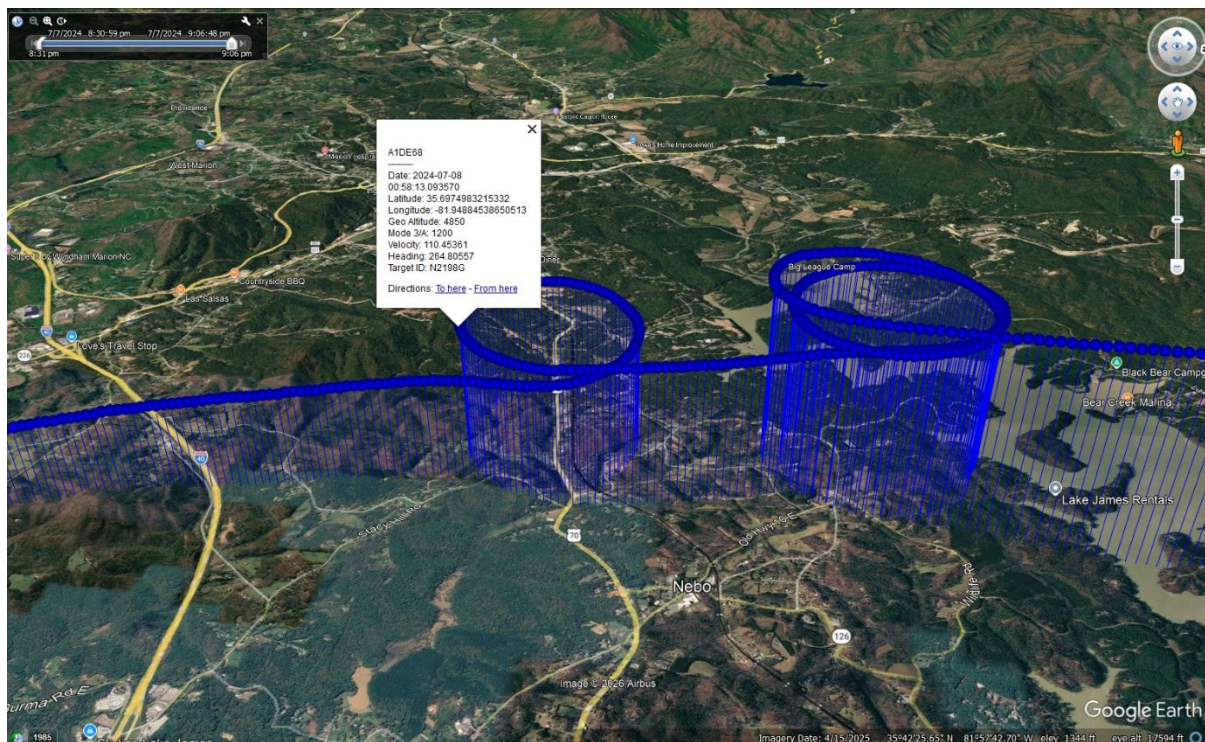
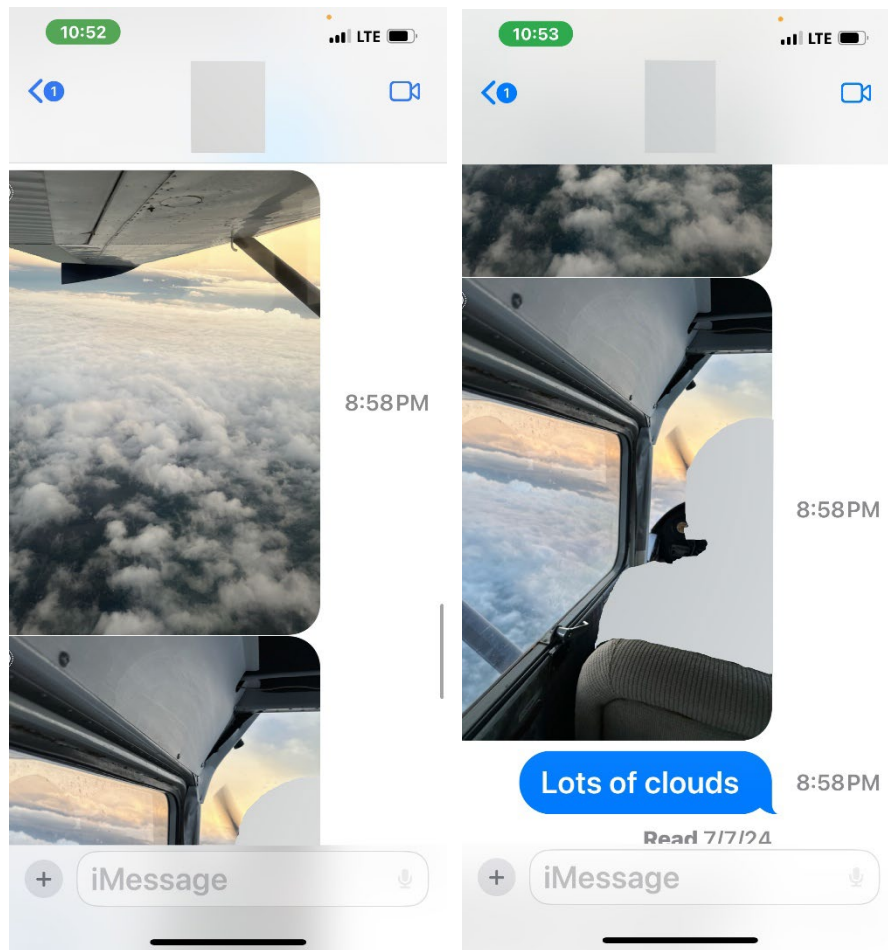


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Regarding the accident on July 7, 2024 involving Cessna 182A, N2198G, in Rutherfordton NC. On the day of the accident, 2 photos were texted to the spouse of one of the passengers with a message indicating that they were over mountains and couldn't see anything. The photos were time stamped at 8:58PM (20:58 EDT).





A final message was sent with the text "Flying over mountains can't see sheet". The screen shot of the text message doesn't show the time stamp, but it was verified by the sender's spouse that the time stamp was 9:04PM (21:04 EDT).



