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Subject: Duty Officer Conversation with the Pilot

Contact: Jay A. Patton, Pilot

On November 24, 2023, NTSB duty officer, Leah Read, shared via email at 0715 EST the following:

The pilot, Jay Patton ([REDACTED]) and his wife originally departed Hobbs, NM, and were destined for Huntsville Executive Airport (MDQ), Huntsville, AL, for Thanksgiving. I spoke with Mr. Patton a few hours after the accident, and he stated the flight was fine until he was turning from left base to final for runway 18. He said he overcorrected, stalled, and impacted terrain short of the runway. Amazingly, he and his wife only sustained minor injuries. Mr. Patton said there were no mechanical issues. . . . The airplane came to rest about 200 ft north-northeast of runway 18 near the threshold.