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Subject: ERA24LA173, Interview with FAA Coordinator Forrest Dodd

On 4/11/2024, this investigator spoke with FAA inspector Forrest Dodd, South Florida FSDO, regarding the accident involving N6300Q, a Cessna 152 operated by Wayman Aviation Academy. The accident occurred on 3/14/2024.

His examination of the airplane revealed that the forward, center portion of the right wing sustained substantial damage. The airplane collided with a turkey buzzard in flight that partially lodged in the damaged area. The student pilot returned to HWO and landed uneventfully.

The collision resulted in several structural members under the leading edge broken or deformed. The operator decided to replace the wing rather than repair it.