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Contact: Jessica Deis - Pilot

The following is a summary of a phone conversation between Jessica Deis (pilot) and the NTSB IIC (Kurt Gibson) regarding the accident involving N5006W.

The pilot provided the NTSB IIC with her email address and was informed that the IIC will be emailing her the NTSB 6120 form to be filled out. The pilot then described that she normally flew Skyhawks (Cessna 172) and wanted to fly the Cherokee (PA-28). She stated that she setup with an instructor to become proficient in the PA-28 and the purpose of the flight was to go out in the practice area to become familiar with the airplane.

The pilot then stated that after about 30 minutes of performing maneuvers in the practice area, they began to head back to the airport. The pilot then stated that while on glideslope for the runway, and at an altitude of about 1,200 ft msl, the engine lost power. She described the loss of power as instantaneous, and it felt like the throttle was pulled to idle. She further stated that there was no rough running of the engine prior to the loss of power.

The pilot was then asked about the configuration of the fuel system and carburetor heat during the flight. The pilot responded that most of the flight was on the right fuel tank and that they had switched to the left fuel tank when they began their descent into the airport. The pilot further stated that they had switched fuel tanks about 2 to 3 minutes prior to the loss of power. The pilot continued that they had the carburetor heat on during the descent into the airport.

The pilot then provided contact information for the flight instructor.

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