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Subject: N656B Pilot Statement to FAA

Contact: Michael Edelstein, FAA Air Safety Inspector

The pilot of N656B provided the following statement via email to FAA inspector Michael Edelstein:

"Departed FD04 add approximately 4:28 PM. Runway 18 departure traveled southeast toward Lake Weir. At Lake Weir turn northward toward red water lake flying approximately 1200 feet traveling at about 80 knots, crossed over red water Lake from south to north and followed the shoreline for a south west to northeast landing on the lake.. The lake was glassy in sections. Wind was from the northeast at four, which was measured on my flight management system. I set up for a stabilized approach, resulting in a hard landing."