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Date: May 4, 2015
Person Contacted: Mr. Denton Wood (Pilot)
NTSB Accident Number: GAA15CA059

Narrative:

The following information was provided by Mr. Wood in an attachment to an email on this date: May 4, 2015.

Regarding the incident of 5/1/2015, N66048, at KLVJ:

The aircraft was fueled and preparations were complete to depart KLVJ (Pearland, TX), with the intended destination of KRQO (El Reno, OK). Following runup and systems checks the plane moved onto runway 32, which was at that time the active runway. Modest crosswinds from the left with a very slight headwind component generally prevailed, although the direction was variable. I didn't specifically note the time, but believe it was approximately 0940 LT. Power was advanced and the aircraft began to accelerate down the runway. As the tail began to get light a combination of P-factor and crosswind began to move the nose of the aircraft to the left. I increasingly applied right rudder, but as the rate of left turn increased to what I believed to be the beginning of a ground loop I applied full right rudder, and supplemented with a brief stab of right brake. The aircraft stopped the swing to the left, but the right tire snagged the concrete and the aircraft swung right and departed the runway into the grass. I arrested the swing; however, the right landing gear snagged the edge of a ditch and spun the aircraft to the right. The aircraft came to rest along the right edge of 32. Airport personnel made the appropriate immediate notifications. I later notified the NTSB regional office after the aircraft was removed from the runway. There were no personal injuries. There was no property damage other than to the aircraft itself.

Denton Wood