

STATEMENT

NAME: Cameron Fraser

DATE OF BIRTH: 1950

ADDRESS: N. Vancouver BC

DATE OF LOSS: 2015/10/04

TIME OF LOSS: 14:30

LOCATION OF LOSS: Cliff Dwellers Airstrip AZ03

Aircraft: C-FIIB

I left Henderson field in Las Vegas with my wife after getting a weather briefing from Lockheed Martin flight services, filing a flight plan and getting an airstrip briefing from field owner. Weather was clear with light wind just east of destination (Page) with warnings of thunderstorms to west of Las Vegas. However in flight near the Grand Canyon there was rain and solid cloud over the intended area of route. I diverted to the north staying in clear skies and with unlimited visibility to the north. I called flight service to check winds at St. George and Page and at that time they were still light. The rain/cloud area was well defined and confined to the western Grand Canyon area. I continued around it to the north staying in clear skies on the edge of the precipitation and proceeded to the airstrip with the rain off to the west at least 20 nm west of airstrip. Crossing airstrip at midfield at 800' above the strip the wind sock indicated a strong but steady cross wind, no turbulence was experienced and airstrip appeared to be in good condition. On approach to runway 22 aircraft encountered severe turbulence, suddenly lost altitude and I was unable to recover despite using full power. Aircraft impacted the ground, slid a few hundred feet before coming to a stop upright about 50' from end of runway. There was no fire and no smell of fuel.

We exited the airplane and then I returned to turn off ELT and fuel and ensure master was off. At that time neither of us felt that we had any injuries. We then started removing personal belongings with the help of people in the area that arrived to help. I used a satellite phone to close flight plan and notify that there had been an accident. A Parks medic came to check us out and recommended x-rays for my wife who by that time was experiencing some back pain. A deputy sheriff () from Coconino county came to take a report and put me in touch with NTSB. The person at NTSB asked a few questions and confirmed that the aircraft could be removed and that I didn't need to contact anyone else. An ambulance service took us to Page for my wife's x-rays. The aircraft was removed on the following morning.

SIGNED IN N. Vancouver

THIS 8th

DAY OF October 2015

Cameron Fraser

SIGNATURE: