



RECORD OF PHONE CONVERSATION

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Date: August 25, 2016
Person Contacted: Mr. Cory Robin
NTSB Accident Number: GAA16CA444

Narrative:

The following is a synopsis of the information provided by Mr. Cory Robin in a telephone conversation on this date: August 25, 2016.

- The pilot reported that he and some other pilots were doing landings on off airport, backcountry ridges, with an elevation of about 10,250 feet
- The pilot reported that on the left base leg to a ridge line the wing blocked the ridge and in the turn to final he descended a couple hundred feet lower than he should have with full flaps
- When the ridge came into view in front of him, he realized he was too low and he didn't have the performance to climb over it and knew he was forced to land on the ridge
- The pilot reported that during the landing he put the airplane into an aerodynamic stall and the tail came into contact with the terrain first, then main landing gear
- The airplane was about 20 yards short of falling off the cliff side so the pilot locked up the brakes and the airplane nosed over

The pilot reported that there were no preimpact mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airframe or engine that would have precluded normal operation.