

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Tollgate State: WA

ZIP: 97886 Country: United States

Latitude: 45.91511N Longitude: 118.12362W

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 02/28/2017 Local Time: 8:30am
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: Pacific

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N323MQ

Manufacturer: Piper

Model: PA-28R-200

Serial Number: 28R-7435038

Year of Manufacture: 1974

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: _____

☒ IFR-Equipped and Certified

☐ Commercial Space Flight

☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 2650 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 2310 lbs

Number of Seats: 4 Flight Crew Seats: 2

Cabin Crew Seats: _____ Passenger Seats: 2

Number of Engines: 1

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ Airplane
- ☐ Balloon
- ☐ Blimp/Dirigible
- ☐ Glider
- ☐ Gyroplane
- ☐ Helicopter
- ☐ Powered Lift
- ☐ Rocket
- ☐ Ultralight
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate

(Check all that apply)

Standard

- ☒ Normal
- ☐ Aerobatic
- ☐ Balloon
- ☐ Commuter
- ☐ Transport
- ☐ Utility

Special

- ☐ Restricted
- ☐ Limited
- ☐ Provisional
- ☐ Special Flight
- ☐ Experimental
- ☐ Special Light-Sport
- ☐ Experimental Light-Sport

☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)

☐ None

☐ Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

☒ Retractable

- ☒ Tricycle
- ☐ Amphibian
- ☐ Emergency Float
- ☐ Float
- ☐ Hull
- ☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
- ☐ None
- ☐ Tailwheel
- ☐ High Skid
- ☐ Skid
- ☐ Ski
- ☐ Ski/Wheel
- ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☒ Reciprocating
- ☐ Turbo Shaft
- ☐ Turbo Prop
- ☐ Turbo Jet
- ☐ Turbo Fan
- ☐ Electric
- ☐ Liquid Rocket
- ☐ Solid Rocket
- ☐ Hybrid Rocket
- ☐ None
- ☐ Unknown

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

☐ Carburetor ☒ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Serial	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	<u>Lycoming</u>	<u>IO-360-C1C</u>	<u>RL-12776-51E</u>	<u>01/30/2015</u>	<u>200</u>	<u>9760.61</u>	<u>76.22</u>	<u>1418.41</u>
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
- ☐ AAIP
- ☒ Annual
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Conditional Inspection
- ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 02/26/2018
mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 9760.61 hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☒ Annual
- ☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
- ☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
- ☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☐ None
- ☒ Specify: Handheld

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☒ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Mccauley

Model: B3D36C424-E/ 74SA-0

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☐ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: Artex

Model or Part No.: me406

TSO No.: ☐ OC91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ OC91a (121.5 MHz)
☒ C126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If not activated:

- Indicate Reason:
- ☐ Impact Damage
 - ☐ Fire Damage
 - ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
 - ☐ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☐ ADS-B
- ☐ Airframe Parachute
- ☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
- ☐ Autopilot
- ☐ Data Recorder
- ☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
- ☒ Electronic Multifunction Display
- ☒ Electronic Primary Flight Display
- ☐ Handheld GPS
- ☐ Heads Up Display
- ☐ Onboard Weather
- ☐ Satellite Tracking Device
- ☒ Stall Warning System
- ☐ Video Recording Device
- ☐ Other, Specify: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Walla Walla UniversityCity: College PlaceFractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☐ NoState: WA ZIP: 99324Country: United States**Operator of Aircraft**☒ Same As Registered Owner☒ Same Address as Registered Owner

Name: _____

City: _____

Doing Business As: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Country: _____

Operating Certificates Held

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)
☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ Commercial Space Transportation
Experimental Permit
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431
☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437
- ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial
- ☐ Public Aircraft (Select one)
☐ Armed Forces
☐ Federal
☐ State
☐ Local
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135

(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International
- ☐ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137

(Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☐ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☒ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry

Revenue Sightseeing Flight☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**AIRPORT INFORMATION (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)**

Airport Name: _____

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm

Airport Identifier: _____

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true

Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A

Airport Elevation: _____ ft. msl

Runway Information

Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment (Select one)

- ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
- ☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Visual
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Contact
☐ RNAV ☐ Circling
☐ Unknown

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
- ☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Unknown

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Last Name: Collins

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 24 Date of Birth: [REDACTED] 1993 mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number: [REDACTED]

	Constraint Type
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"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

PilotCo-PilotStudent PilotFlight InstructorCheck PilotFlight EngineerOther Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flyingYesNo

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name:

Joshua

Middle Initial:

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Last Name:

Spengler

City of Residence:

Renton

State:

WA

ZIP:

98056

Country:

United States

Age at time of Accident/Incident:

21

Date of Birth:

996

mm/dd/yyyy

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury

☒None☐Fatal☐Minor☐Unknown☐Serious

Seat Occupied

☒Left☐Right☐Center

☐Front☐Rear☐Single

☐Unknown

Restraint Type

Available

☐None☐Lap only☒3-point☐4-point☐5-point☐Unknown

Used

☐None☐Lap only☒3-point☐4-point☐5-point☐Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☒Not Installed☐Installed☐Not Deployed☐Deployed☐Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐None☒Private☐Student

☐Flight Instructor☐Recreational☐Sport

☐Commercial☐Airline Transport☐Flight Engineer

☐US Military☐Foreign

Principal Occupation

☒Pilot☐Other☐Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐None☒Class 1☐Class 2

☐Class 3☐Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)☐Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☒Without limitations/waivers☐With limitations/waivers☐Special Issuance

☐Unknown☐N/A

Date of Last Medical

07/23/2015

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

None

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

None

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

08/07/2017

mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make:CessnaModel:C-172M

Airplane Rating(s)(Check all that apply)

☐None☒Single-Engine Land☐Single-Engine Sea☐Multiengine Land☐Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)(Check all that apply)

☒None☐Airship☐Balloon☐Glider☐Gyroplane☐Helicopter☐Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)(Check all that apply)

☐None☒Airplane☐Helicopter☐Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)(Check all that apply)

☒None☐Airplane Single-Engine☐Airplane Multi-Engine☐Gyroplane☐Powered Lift

☐Instrument Airplane☐Instrument Helicopter☐Helicopter☐Glider☐Sport

Type Ratings

Student Endorsements(Include dates)

Flight Time(Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)

All AircraftThis Make & ModelAirplane Single EngineAirplane MultiengineNightInstrumentActualSimulatedRotorcraftGlidersLighter Than Air

Total Time3801033800413103000

Pilot in Command (PIC)29796297036398000

Time as Instructor00000000000

This Make/Model2219

Last 90 Days4238420916000

Last 30 Days2218220400000

Last 24 Hours00000000000

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)									
Crew Name and Address					Seat Occupied		Injury		
First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____					☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Center ☐ Rear ☐ Right ☐ Single ☐ Unknown		☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown		
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Private ☐ Student ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Recreational ☐ Sport ☐ Commercial ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ US Military ☐ Foreign					Restraint Type: Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown		Inflatable Restraints ☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown		
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No			Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs						
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PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)									
Name and Address			Seat	Injury	Restraint Type		Inflatable Restraints	Age	
First Name: _____ City : _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other			☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If Under 5, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown	
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FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point Airport ID: <u>KALW</u> City: <u>Walla Walla</u> State: <u>WA</u> Country: <u>United States</u>	Time of Departure Time: <u>7:30am</u> Time Zone: <u>Pacific</u>	Destination Airport ID: <u>KALW</u> City: <u>Walla Walla</u> State: <u>WA</u> Country: <u>United States</u>	Type Flight Plan Filed ☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown ☐ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown
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Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise ☒ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☐ Unknown / NA			
Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply) ☐ Class A ☒ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special ☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area ☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown ☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93			Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence: <u>4500</u> ft msl

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information (Check all that apply) ☒ National Weather Service ☐ Company ☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military ☐ TV/Radio ☒ Internet ☐ Automated Report ☐ None ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☐ Unknown ☐ On-Board Weather		Weather Observation Facility Facility ID: <u>KALW</u> Observation Time: <u>1453</u> Time Zone: <u>Pacific</u> Distance from Accident Site: <u>13</u> nm Direction from Accident Site: <u>147</u> degrees true																													
Basic Conditions ☒ VMC ☐ IMC ☐ Unknown	Light Condition ☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown ☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night																														
Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition ☒ Clear ☐ Thin Broken ☐ Few ☐ Thin Overcast ☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown ☐ Scattered Lowest Cloud Condition Height _____ ft agl	Ceiling ☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured ☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite ☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown Ceiling Height _____ ft agl	Temperature: <u>-4</u> (C) or _____ (F) Dew Point: _____ (C) or _____ (F) Altimeter Setting: _____ in. Hg or _____ MB																													
Wind Direction ☒ Variable -or- Direction: _____ degrees true	Wind Speed ☒ Calm ☐ Light and Variable -or- Speed: _____ kts	Wind Gusts ☒ Not Gusting -or- Speed: _____ kts	Visibility <u>10</u> miles RVR: _____ feet RVV: _____ miles Density Altitude: _____ ft																												
Intensity of Precipitation ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Heavy ☒ N/A ☐ Unknown	Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain ☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower ☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower ☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle ☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals		Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Fog ☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog ☐ Blowing Sand ☐ Haze ☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog ☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke ☐ Dust ☐ Unknown																												
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NOTAMs (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

None

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☒ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property *(Use additional sheet if necessary)*

Engine and accessories substantially damaged, Right right wing partially wrapped around tree with main passenger jammed shut.

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT *(Please type or print in ink)*

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

On February 28th 2018, N323MQ, a Piper Arrow II departed from Walla Walla Regional Airport at 7:30am with the intent to return by 9am. The purpose of this flight was for instructional reasons in order to prepare Joshua Spengler for an upcoming Commercial Check ride. Mr. Spengler and his instructor Jordan Collins departed KALW and proceeded to the south practice area where maneuvers at various altitudes were to be conducted. Mr. Spengler had demonstrated Steep turns, Lazy eights, and Ground Reference Maneuvers. At the conclusion of maneuvers, N323MQ was still in the south practice area paralleling the Blue Mountains. With good visibility and clear skies, Mr. Spengler and Mr. Collins agreed to proceed on a personal sightseeing flight over the Blue mountains before heading back to KALW to conclude the flight lesson. About 10 miles south east of KALW, N323MQ entered the Blues at 800-1000 AGL over a canyon proceeding eastbound. With rising rugged terrain ahead and to the right, the pilot flying at that moment, Joshua Spengler, made an approximant 70 degree left turn to an area of what was thought to be less terrain. However with the ridgeline off the left, this limited the pilots view. After completing the turn north bound, the terrain further ahead was seen as fairly significant. Given the displacement from terrain ahead and the pilots current location along with altitude and airspeed at that moment, it was assumed that the pilots had the necessary performance to out climb the rising terrain ahead. After about 30 seconds of further flight time, the pilots then found themself in a box canyon with no room to turn around and approaching Vx airspeed. At this point, there was an exchange in the controls from Mr. Spengler to Mr. Collins who was the pilot flying at the time of the accident. They were now committed to clearing the terrain ahead. When it became obvious N323MQ was not going to clear the terrain, Mr. Collins pitched the aircraft up to stall speed while remaining at full power and the aircraft clipped a canopy of trees. The crash occurred a few minutes before 8:30am. After coming to rest both pilots who were unharmed, cut mixture and turned off the master battery switch and the ELT was activated. They then unbuckled and proceeded to vacate the aircraft through the left pilots seat window. After exiting the aircraft into 3 feet of snow, substantial damage could be seen to the engine/cowling/firewall area. The aircraft was resting on its belly, slightly nose down with the tail section suspended in the air. Substantial damage was also noted on the left and right wing as well as the ailerons as it was wrapped around trees. The tail section included significant damage to the stablilator and vertical stabilizer. The pilots then began coordinating with 911, Walla Walla University Directors and Officials, and the local sheriffs office to aid in locating the pilots and the crash site. The pilots were found unharmed by search and rescue personnel around 1:30 that afternoon about 3-4 miles West of the crash site.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

This accident could have been prevented with Better Mountain flying principles. Valleys and ravines should always be flown from top to bottom with an Ariel fly-by done before to get a better idea of the layout at the bottom. Always have a way out from any canyon that you descend down into. It is also important to fly on either side of a canyon or valley, and stay away from the middle. When hugging one side, it gives you the option to turn around while if you are stuck in the middle, it only leaves you half the width. Mountain flying should always be treated with the utmost respect, and you should always become familiar with the terrain before descending lower towards ground level. It is also imperative to fly up on the updraft side of mountains to achieve the best aircraft performance. Being low with shearing winds due to thunderstorms, frontal passages, and the possibility of mountain wave turbulence can be cause for hazardous outcomes. Density altitude can also play a role in aircraft performance. The PIC must be familiar with all aircraft performance charts for all conditions. Given the aircrafts altitude in relation to the terrain ahead, if the PIC is not 100 percent certain he or she can not obtain obstacle clearance, they must have a plan b, c and d, it is crucial to always have an "out". It is also critical that complacency is avoided at all times. Never assume you can get away with anything and always prepare for worst. As Pilots it is easy to let external pressures cloud your judgment because we are all human. However, it is imperative that that the PIC mitigates all possible risks involved with mountain flying and takes the upmost precaution for risk and safety management.

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

**Total Time/Cycles
On Part**

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

**Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled**

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION**Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

48 Gallons**Fuel Type**☐ 80/87☐ 115/145☐ Jet B☐ Other, specify _____☒ 100 Low Lead☐ Jet A☐ JP8☐ 100/130☐ Jet A-1☐ Automotive**Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure**

None

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☒ Yes ☐ No**Method of Exit** – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

Pilot and Insturctor exited through shattered left window

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for other aircraft)**Aircraft Registration Number**

Manufacturer: _____**Model:** _____**Damage to Other Aircraft**☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None**Registered Owner of Other Aircraft**

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report

06/03/2018

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Jordan Collins

Signature: _____

-- or -- ☒ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

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Name of Investigator

Kathryn Benhoff

Date Report Received

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