

July 22, 2012

Statement of my recollection of the accident at Bridger Airport July 21, 2012

I was standing on the ramp near the south Taxiway. I observed an aircraft take off from Runway 34.

It climbed at what appeared to be a normal climb rate and angle.

When the aircraft was coming to a point adjacent to the ramp area it began to roll to the left. At about 270 degrees through a second roll the aircraft began to pitch up steeply, the right horizontal stabilizer and elevator nearly touching the runway. As the aircraft began to return to a nearly wings level attitude the nose then pitched down. The airplane fell hard to the ground and slid to a stop.

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