

Statement of Accident on 3/2/13

At about 1030 local time on March 2, 2013, I was taxiing my PA18, N881RW, from my hangar on the East side of the Nampa, Idaho airport (KMAN) to the West side for the purpose of a run-up/warm-up and fueling for an early departure the next morning. I was taxiing at an appropriate speed with a slight tailwind, doing S turns and looking ahead and both sides. As I turned off the taxiway to the ramp run-up area near the fuel pumps (right turn) I saw the tail of an aircraft directly in front of me. I immediately hit the right brake hard and swiveled my aircraft to avoid a direct hit of the aircraft with my prop. My left wingtip impacted the left side of the rudder/vertical stab of the Cessna 172. I have no idea why I was unable to see this aircraft in time to avoid a collision.

The other pilot and I exited our aircraft and examined the damage. He said he had just finished his run-up and was preparing to move towards the runway for takeoff. I told him I did not see him and this looked like my fault. We exchanged contact information, I taxied my aircraft back to my hangar, drove back to the scene and called my insurance company in the presence of the other pilot.

Sincerely,

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Richard K. Williams

3/7/13