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On Site Report

WPR19FA172

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A. ACCIDENT

Location: Porter Ranch, California
Date: June 15, 2019
Aircraft: Airplane, Registration Number: N111XX, Serial #: 3532007
NTSB IIC: WPR19FA172

B. EXAMINATION PARTICIPANTS:

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C. SUMMARY

On June 15, 2019, about 0910 Pacific daylight time, an experimental Nanchang CJ6 airplane, N269AG, was involved in an accident near Porter Ranch, California. The pilot/owner was fatally injured. The airplane sustained substantial damage. The airplane was operated under the provisions of Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal cross-country flight.

The airplane departed Zamperini Field Airport (TOA), Torrance, California, about 0855, and was destined for Columbia Airport (O22), Columbia, California.

An Alert Notice (ALNOT) had been issued by family and friends when the pilot had not reached his destination and had not responded to calls and text messages.

D. DETAILS OF THE INVESTIGATION

An on-scene investigation was conducted on the day of the accident. There was no evidence of preimpact mechanical malfunction noted during the examination of the recovered airframe.

Airplane wreckage was located in the Santa Susana Mountains by Sempra Energy on a hillside at an elevation of 3,000 ft. The airplane came to rest upright and flush with the hillside; a 45-degree slope.



Photo 1 - Overview of Accident Site (Courtesy of NTSB)



Photo 2 - Close up view of accident site (Courtesy of NTSB)

The airplane remained intact, and the debris field was contained to the main wreckage. The engine remained attached to the airframe; the propeller assembly remained attached crankshaft. Two of the three wood propeller blades had separated at the hub and a portion of a third blade remained attached to the propeller hub.

Flight control continuity from the cockpit to each flight control surface was established on scene. The undercarriage as well as the undersides of both wings sustained crush damage upward. The inboard sections of both wings were partially separated at the root and crushed. There was also leading-edge crush aft of both wings. The empennage remained attached to the fuselage but had partially separated. The tail section had minor damage.



Photo 3 - Front View of Airplane (Courtesy of NTSB)



Photo 4 - Right side view of airplane (Courtesy of NTSB)



Photo 5 - Left side view of airplane (Courtesy of NTSB)



Photo 6 - Left side view of airplane (Courtesy of NTSB)



Photo 7 - View of undercarriage and right wing (Courtesy of NTSB)

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