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Hi Albert,

I found this email with weather information for the WPR19FA250 case... I've reviewed it and no weather issues outside of the cumulus clouds that were out and about the higher terrain that day. No mountain wave conditions, etc... only conditions very favorable for thermals and glider flying like a typical summer day. Attached you'll find the upper air sounding from SLC from 0000 UTC/1800 MDT day of the accident showing no wind above 10 knots for the entirety below 10,000 ft msl.

I double checked and nothing on weather radar or anything like that either as far as precipitation in the area.

So if CFIT and they were flying close to terrain and such would highlight the NTSB safety alert in that area. Especially given the terrain thermals in the area, if they were expecting a thermal on one side of the mountain and then got that different than expected could cause issues?

Thanks and let me know if you need anything else,

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From: Suffern Paul
Sent: Thursday, September 5, 2019 1:54 PM
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Hi all,

I pulled the latest weather for that area around 1500 MDT/2100 UTC and showed cumulus clouds over the terrain... but no precip or gusty winds at official or non-official weather sites... no PIREPs in the area around that timeframe for anything below FL300... No SIGMETs, AIRMETs, CWAs, etc... just looks like a summer day with 10 to 15 knot winds in and around the mountains and cumulus clouds around... normal mountain flying, just giving enough breathing room near the mountain tops/hill tops...

The attached weather satellite picture goes from 1400 to 1600 MDT/2000 to 2200 UTC showing the cumulus clouds in and east of the SLC region...