

N123CE FIELD NOTES

Concerning the onsite investigation of Cessna 210L, N123CE. Aircraft was observed at Jarman's storage facility in Phoenix AZ, the fuselage was sitting on a pair of saw horses.

The engine cowling was removed and inspector observed a large amount of dirt and sand impacted around the engine. Using a water hose and spray nozzle the engine compartment was cleaned of a large amount of the foreign material.

The engine turned over freely. Two propeller blades were back slightly back and one blade was bent slightly forward.

The top row of sparkplugs were removed. The engine was turned over until one of the spark plugs emitted a healthy blue spark indicating the magneto was functioning. The cylinders each had compression that indicated by holding a thumb over the spark plug hole and rotating the propeller.

The spark plugs were examined and appeared in serviceable condition. Each plug was dry and had a whitish appearance indicating normal operation. There was no notable carbon deposits on the spark plug electrodes.

The fuel selector was observed to be in the left position. There was no noticeable fuel stains witnessed anywhere on the aircraft that would indicate a fuel leak,

The recovery agent commented that there was no fuel in the fuel tanks nor puddled around the aircraft when he picked up the wreckage.

The fuel tanks were both intact, both fuel caps were present. There did not appear to be any evidence of hydraulic fracturing indicating fuel was present upon impact.

All fuel quantity probes and fuel quantity indicator were removed and sent to NTSB Investigator Steven Stein.

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