

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT

This form to be used for reporting civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Hemet State: CA

ZIP: 92543 Country: USA

Latitude: 33.7340278 Longitude: 117.0223056

(Enter in decimal degrees or degrees:minutes:seconds)

Accident/Incident Date/Time

Date: 04/30/2020 Local Time: 12:10
mm/dd/yyyy

Time Zone: Pacific

Collision with Other Aircraft: ☐ Midair ☐ On-ground ☒ None

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Registration Number: N6521Y

Manufacturer: Piper

Model: PA23-250

Serial Number: 27-3812

Year of Manufacture: 1967

Amateur-Built: ☐ Yes ☒ No If Yes: ☐ Kit/Plans ☐ Original Design Make: _____

☒ IFR-Equipped and Certified

☐ Commercial Space Flight

☐ Unmanned Aircraft

Maximum Gross Weight: 5200 lbs

Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: Unknown lbs

Number of Seats: 3 Flight Crew Seats: 2

Cabin Crew Seats: 1 Passenger Seats: 0

Number of Engines: 2

Category of Aircraft

- ☒ Airplane
- ☐ Balloon
- ☐ Blimp/Dirigible
- ☐ Glider
- ☐ Gyroplane
- ☐ Helicopter
- ☐ Powered Lift
- ☐ Rocket
- ☐ Ultralight
- ☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate

(Check all that apply)

Standard

☒ Normal

☐ Aerobatic

☐ Balloon

☐ Commuter

☐ Transport

☐ Utility

☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)

☐ None

Special

☐ Restricted

☐ Limited

☐ Provisional

☐ Special Flight

☐ Experimental

☐ Special Light-Sport

☐ Experimental Light-Sport

☐ Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

☒ Retractable

☐ Tricycle

☐ Amphibian

☐ Emergency Float

☐ Float

☐ Hull

☐ Other Launch/Recovery System

☐ None

☐ Tailwheel

☐ High Skid

☐ Skid

☐ Ski

☐ Ski/Wheel

☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

☒ Reciprocating

☐ Turbo Shaft

☐ Turbo Prop

☐ Turbo Jet

☐ Turbo Fan

☐ Electric

☐ Liquid Rocket

☐ Solid Rocket

☐ Hybrid Rocket

☐ None

☐ Unknown

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

☐ Carburetor

☒ Fuel-Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Rated Power ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since: Inspection (hours)	Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	Lycoming	IO-540-C4B5	L-3784-48	08/03/1966	250	8631	394	1921
Eng. 2	Lycoming	IO-540-C4B5	RL-1664-48	12/14/1964	250	8631	394	1921
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
- ☐ AAIP
- ☒ Annual
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Conditional Inspection
- ☐ Unknown

Date Last Inspection: 11/14/2019

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 9154.5 hrs

hours measured at (Select one)

☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

Type of Maintenance Program (Select one)

- ☒ Annual
- ☐ Conditional (Amateur-built only)
- ☐ Manufacturer's Inspection Program
- ☐ Other Approved Inspection Program (AAIP)
- ☐ Continuous Airworthiness
- ☐ Other, specify: _____

Description of Fire Extinguishing System

- ☒ None
- ☐ Specify: _____

Propeller 1

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☒ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Hartzell

Model: HC-E2YR-2RBSF/F8465-7R

Propeller 2

- ☐ Fixed Pitch
- ☒ Controllable Pitch
- ☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: Hartzell

Model: HC-E2YR-2RBSF/F8465-7R

ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No

If Yes:

ELT Manufacturer: NARCO

Model or Part No.: ELT-10

TSO No.: ☒ C91 (121.5 MHz) ☐ C91a (121.5 MHz)

☐ C126 (406 MHz)

Was ELT still mounted in aircraft? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Was ELT still connected to antenna? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Did ELT Activate? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If activated:

Did ELT Aid in Locating Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If not activated:

Indicate Reason:

- ☐ Impact Damage
- ☐ Fire Damage
- ☐ Battery Expired/Damaged
- ☐ Unknown

Additional Equipment (Check all that apply)

- ☒ ADS-B
- ☐ Airframe Parachute
- ☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
- ☐ Autopilot
- ☐ Data Recorder
- ☒ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
- ☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
- ☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
- ☐ Handheld GPS
- ☐ Heads Up Display
- ☒ Onboard Weather
- ☒ Satellite Tracking Device
- ☒ Stall Warning System
- ☐ Video Recording Device
- ☒ Other, Specify: Aerial Survey Equipment

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**Name: Landcare Aviation Inc.City: RomeState: NYZIP: 13441Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ NoCountry: USA**Operator of Aircraft**☒ Same As Registered Owner☒ Same Address as Registered Owner

Name: _____

City: _____

Doing Business As: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____

Country: _____

Operating Certificates Held

(Check all that apply)

- ☒ None
☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (FAR 121)
☐ Supplemental
☐ Air Cargo
☐ Foreign Air Carriers (FAR 129)
☐ Rotorcraft External Load (FAR 133)
☐ Commuter Air Carrier (FAR 135)
☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (FAR 135)
☐ Commercial Air Tour (FAR 136)
☐ Agricultural Aircraft (FAR 137)
☐ Pilot School (FAR 141)
☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ Commercial Space Transportation
Experimental Permit
☐ Commercial Space Transportation License
☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft

Regulation Flight Conducted Under

- ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 415
☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ FAR 431
☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ FAR 435
☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ FAR 437

- ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight
☐ Non-US, Commercial
☐ Non-US, Non-commercial

- ☐ Public Aircraft (Select one)
☐ Armed Forces
☐ Federal
☐ State
☐ Local
☐ Unknown

Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135

(Select one for each group)

- ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Domestic
☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi ☐ International

☐ Passenger
☐ Cargo
☐ Mail Contract Only

Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137

(Select one)

- ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Firefighting ☐ Unknown
☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Flight Test
☐ Air Drop ☐ Glider Tow
☐ Air Race/Show ☐ Instructional
☐ Banner Tow ☒ Other Work Use
☐ Business ☐ Personal
☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Positioning
☐ External Load ☐ Skydiving
☐ Ferry

Revenue Sightseeing Flight☐ Yes ☒ No**Air Medical Flight**☐ Yes ☒ No**AIRPORT INFORMATION** (Fill in if accident/incident occurred on approach, landing, takeoff, departure, or within 3 miles of an airport)

Airport Name: _____

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm

Airport Identifier: _____

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true

Proximity to Airport: ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport/Airstrip ☐ N/A

Airport Elevation: _____ ft. msl

Runway Information

Runway ID: _____ (L/R/C) Length: _____ ft Width: _____ ft

Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Metal/Wood
☐ Dirt ☐ Ice ☐ Snow ☐ Unknown

Condition of Runway/Landing Surface (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Dry ☐ Snow-Compacted ☐ Water-Calm
☐ Holes ☐ Snow-Crusted ☐ Water-Choppy
☐ Ice Covered ☐ Snow-Dry ☐ Water-Glassy
☐ Rough ☐ Snow-Wet ☐ Wet
☐ Rubber Deposits ☐ Soft
☐ Slush-Covered ☐ Vegetation ☐ Unknown

Approach/Departure Segment (Select one)

- ☐ Taxi ☐ VFR Departure ☐ On Instrument Approach ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach
☐ Takeoff ☐ IFR Departure Procedure/Clearance ☐ Landing ☐ Base ☐ Go Around
☐ Initial Climb ☐ Final ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Crosswind ☐ Unknown

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ ADF/NDB ☐ PAR ☐ MLS ☐ Practice
☐ SDF ☐ Sidestep ☐ LDA ☐ GPS
☐ VOR/TVOR ☐ ILS ☐ ASR ☐ Visual
☐ VOR/DME ☐ Localizer Only ☐ Contact
☐ TACAN ☐ LOC-back course ☐ Circling
☐ RNAV ☐ Unknown

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

- ☐ None
☐ Traffic Pattern ☐ Stop and Go
☐ Straight-In ☐ Touch and Go
☐ Valley/Terrain Following ☐ Simulated Forced Landing
☐ Go Around ☐ Forced Landing
☐ Full Stop ☐ Precautionary Landing
☐ Unknown

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 1" INFORMATION

"Flight Crewmember 1" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

☒ Pilot
 ☐ Co-Pilot
 ☐ Student Pilot
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Check Pilot
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 1" was pilot flying ☒ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 1" Identification

First Name: Paul City of Residence: Waltham
 Middle Initial: A State: MA ZIP: 02451
 Last Name: Mitchell Country: USA
 Age at time of Accident/Incident: 27 Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy
 Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury ☐ None ☒ Fatal ☐ Minor ☐ Unknown ☐ Serious	Seat Occupied ☒ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single	Restraint Type <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">Available</th> <th style="text-align: left;">Used</th> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ None</td> <td>☐ None</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☒ Lap only</td> <td>☐ Lap only</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 3-point</td> <td>☐ 3-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 4-point</td> <td>☐ 4-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ 5-point</td> <td>☐ 5-point</td> </tr> <tr> <td>☐ Unknown</td> <td>☒ Unknown</td> </tr> </table>	Available	Used	☐ None	☐ None	☒ Lap only	☐ Lap only	☐ 3-point	☐ 3-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 4-point	☐ 5-point	☐ 5-point	☐ Unknown	☒ Unknown	Inflatable Restraints ☒ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown
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☐ Unknown	☒ Unknown																

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None	☐ Flight Instructor	☒ Commercial	☐ US Military
☐ Private	☐ Recreational	☐ Airline Transport	☐ Foreign
☐ Student	☐ Sport	☐ Flight Engineer	

Principal Occupation ☒ Pilot ☐ Other ☐ Unknown	Medical Certificate ☐ None ☐ Class 3 ☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only) ☒ Class 2 ☐ Unknown	Medical Certificate Validity ☒ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown ☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A ☐ Special Issuance	Date of Last Medical <u>03/20/2020</u> mm/dd/yyyy
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Medical Certificate Limitations

Medical Certificate Special Issuance

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks: <u>09/22/2019</u> mm/dd/yyyy	Flight Review Aircraft Make: <u>Piper</u> Model: <u>Seneca</u>
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Airplane Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☒ Single-Engine Land ☐ Single-Engine Sea ☒ Multiengine Land ☐ Multiengine Sea	Other Aircraft Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Airship ☐ Balloon ☐ Glider ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	Instrument Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☒ Airplane ☐ Helicopter ☐ Powered Lift	Instructor Rating(s) (Check all that apply) ☐ None ☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Gyroplane ☐ Powered Lift ☐ Instrument Airplane ☐ Instrument Helicopter ☐ Helicopter ☐ Glider ☐ Sport
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Type Ratings	Student Endorsements (Include dates)
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Flight Time (Enter appropriate number of hours in each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time	1,138	379	747	418						
Pilot in Command (PIC)	979	379	615	364						
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days	228	228		228						
Last 30 Days	119	119		119						
Last 24 Hours	3	3		3						

"FLIGHT CREWMEMBER 2" INFORMATION**"Flight Crewmember 2" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident**

☐ Pilot ☐ Co-Pilot ☐ Student Pilot ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Check Pilot ☐ Flight Engineer ☐ Other Flight Crew

"Flight Crewmember 2" was pilot flying ☐ Yes ☐ No

"Flight Crewmember 2" Identification

First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____
Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
Last Name: _____ Country: _____
Age at time of Accident/Incident: _____ Date of Birth: _____ mm/dd/yyyy
Certificate Number: _____

Degree of Injury

☐ None ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Unknown
☐ Right ☐ Rear
☐ Center ☐ Single

Restraint Type**Available**

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Used

☐ None
☐ Lap only
☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military
☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

☐ None ☐ Class 3
☐ Class 1 ☐ Driver's License (Sport Pilot only)
☐ Class 2 ☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

☐ Without limitations/waivers ☐ Unknown
☐ With limitations/waivers ☐ N/A
☐ Special Issuance

Date of Last Medical

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations**Medical Certificate Special Issuance****Date of Last Flight Review
or Equivalent, Including
FAR 121/135 Checks:**

mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: _____

Model: _____

Airplane Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Single-Engine Land
☐ Single-Engine Sea
☐ Multiengine Land
☐ Multiengine Sea

Other Aircraft Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airship
☐ Balloon
☐ Glider
☐ Gyroplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instrument Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None
☐ Airplane
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered Lift

Instructor Rating(s)
(Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Instrument Airplane
☐ Airplane Single-Engine ☐ Instrument Helicopter
☐ Airplane Multi-Engine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered Lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)**Flight Time** (Enter appropriate
number of hours in each box)

	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air
						Actual	Simulated			
Total Time										
Pilot in Command (PIC)										
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model										
Last 90 Days										
Last 30 Days										
Last 24 Hours										

ADDITIONAL FLIGHT CREWMEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin crew, complete the following information)

Crew Name and Address

First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Center ☐ Rear
☐ Right ☐ Single
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

Injury

☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Serious
☐ Fatal
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military
☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

Restraint Type:

Available **Used**
☐ None ☐ None
☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only
☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs

Crew Name and Address

First Name: _____ City of Residence: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____

Seat Occupied

☐ Left ☐ Front
☐ Center ☐ Rear
☐ Right ☐ Single
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

Injury

☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Serious
☐ Fatal
☐ Unknown

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Flight Instructor ☐ Commercial ☐ US Military
☐ Private ☐ Recreational ☐ Airline Transport ☐ Foreign
☐ Student ☐ Sport ☐ Flight Engineer

Restraint Type:

Available **Used**
☐ None ☐ None
☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only
☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs

PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include cabin crew; continue on separate sheet if necessary)

Name and Address

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____
☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other

Seat

☐ Left
☐ Center
☐ Right
☐ Unknown
 Row: _____

Injury

☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Serious
☐ Fatal
☐ Unknown

Restraint Type

Available **Used**
☐ None ☐ None
☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only
☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

Inflatable Restraints

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

Age

☐ Under 5 years
 If Under 5,
☐ Child Restraint
☐ Lap-Held
☐ Unknown

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____
☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other

☐ Left
☐ Center
☐ Right
☐ Unknown
 Row: _____

☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Serious
☐ Fatal
☐ Unknown

Available **Used**
☐ None ☐ None
☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only
☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

☐ Under 5 years
 If Under 5,
☐ Child Restraint
☐ Lap-Held
☐ Unknown

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____
☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other

☐ Left
☐ Center
☐ Right
☐ Unknown
 Row: _____

☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Serious
☐ Fatal
☐ Unknown

Available **Used**
☐ None ☐ None
☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only
☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

☐ Under 5 years
 If Under 5,
☐ Child Restraint
☐ Lap-Held
☐ Unknown

First Name: _____ City: _____
 Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Last Name: _____ Country: _____
☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other

☐ Left
☐ Center
☐ Right
☐ Unknown
 Row: _____

☐ None
☐ Minor
☐ Serious
☐ Fatal
☐ Unknown

Available **Used**
☐ None ☐ None
☐ Lap Only ☐ Lap Only
☐ 3-point ☐ 3-point
☐ 4-point ☐ 4-point
☐ 5-point ☐ 5-point
☐ Unknown ☐ Unknown

☐ Not Installed
☐ Installed
☐ Not Deployed
☐ Deployed
☐ Unknown

☐ Under 5 years
 If Under 5,
☐ Child Restraint
☐ Lap-Held
☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point

Airport ID: CNO
 City: Chino
 State: CA
 Country: USA

Time of Departure

Time: 11:25
 Time Zone: Pacific

Destination

Airport ID: PSP
 City: Palm Springs
 State: CA
 Country: USA

Type Flight Plan Filed

☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFR
 Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☒ Unknown

Type of ATC Clearance/Service (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Special VFR ☐ Special IFR ☐ VFR Flight Following ☐ Cruise
☒ VFR ☐ IFR ☐ VFR On Top ☐ Traffic Advisory ☒ Unknown / NA

Airspace where the accident/incident occurred (Check all that apply)

☐ Class A ☐ Class G ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☐ Demo Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Warning Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ TRSA
☒ Class E ☐ Restricted Area ☐ FAR 93

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence:

8500 ft msl

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE

Source of Pilot Weather Information

(Check all that apply)

☐ National Weather Service ☐ Company
☐ Flight Service Station ☐ Military
☐ TV/Radio ☐ Internet
☐ Automated Report ☐ None
☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) ☒ Unknown
☐ On-Board Weather

Weather Observation Facility

Facility ID: KHMT
 Observation Time: 12:15
 Time Zone: Pacific
 Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm
 Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions

☒ VMC
☐ IMC
☐ Unknown

Light Condition

☐ Dawn ☐ Dusk ☐ Dark Night ☐ Unknown
☒ Day ☐ Night ☐ Bright Night

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

☐ Clear ☐ Thin Broken
☒ Few ☐ Thin Overcast
☐ Partial Obscuration ☐ Unknown
☐ Scattered

Ceiling

☒ None (Clear) ☐ Obscured
☐ Broken ☐ Indefinite
☐ Overcast ☐ Unknown

Temperature: 27 (C) or _____ (F)

Dew Point: 15 (C) or _____ (F)

Altimeter Setting: 29.94 in. Hg
 or _____ MB

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

_____ ft agl

Ceiling Height

_____ ft agl

Wind Direction

☐ Variable

-or-

Direction: 210 degrees true

Wind Speed

☐ Calm
☐ Light and Variable

-or-

Speed: 6 kts

Wind Gusts

☒ Not Gusting

-or-

Speed: _____ kts

Visibility 10 miles

RVR: _____ feet

RVV: _____ miles

Density Altitude: _____ ft

Intensity of Precipitation

☐ Light
☐ Moderate
☐ Heavy
☒ N/A
☐ Unknown

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Drizzle ☐ Freezing Rain
☐ Rain ☐ Ice Pellets ☐ Snow Shower
☐ Snow ☐ Snow Pellets ☐ Ice Pellets Shower
☐ Hail ☐ Snow Grains ☐ Freezing Drizzle
☐ Rain Showers ☐ Ice Crystals

Restriction to Visibility (Check all that apply)

☐ None ☐ Fog
☐ Blowing Dust ☐ Ground Fog
☐ Blowing Sand ☒ Haze
☐ Blowing Snow ☐ Ice Fog
☐ Blowing Spray ☐ Smoke
☐ Dust ☐ Unknown

Icing Forecast

Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown
 Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown

Icing Actual

Amount ☒ None ☐ Trace ☐ Light ☐ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Unknown
 Type ☒ N/A ☐ Rime ☐ Clear ☐ Mixed ☐ Unknown

Turbulence

Type (Check all that apply)
☐ None ☒ Clear Air ☒ Terrain-Induced ☐ Convective Turbulence
 Severity ☒ Light ☒ Moderate ☐ Severe ☐ Extreme

NOTAMs (D and FDC), AIRMETs, SIGMETs, PIREPs in effect at the time of the accident/incident:

AIRMET - TURB

DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY**Aircraft Damage**

- ☐ None ☐ Substantial
☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed
 ☒ Unknown

Aircraft Fire

- ☐ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☒ Unknown

Aircraft Explosion

- ☐ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight
☐ In-Flight ☐ Explosion at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☒ Unknown

Description of Damage to Aircraft and Other Property (Use additional sheet if necessary)

Unknown

NARRATIVE HISTORY OF FLIGHT (Please type or print in ink)

Describe what occurred in chronological order, including circumstances leading to and nature of accident/incident. Describe terrain and include wreckage distribution sketch if pertinent. Attach extra sheets if needed. State departure time and location, services obtained, and intended destination. Provide as much detail as possible.

Details provided by pilot of N701DM flying similar mission:

1. Approx. 09:45 - 10:30 - We performed a routine pre-flight inspection.
2. Approx. 10:45 - Paul and I discussed that N701DM will collect on CARIVE FPs 240 (lines 4-15), 239 and 241 and N6521Y will collect on FP 223 and 224. Paul was the point of contact with TRACON and to the best of my knowledge, he did not give them a prior call.
3. Approx. 10:45-11:10 - We waited for new weather reports to see if haze and clouds would be an issue while en-route to collection site.
4. Approx. 11:10 - Discussed with Paul that weather was no longer a factor for the departure and en-route phases and plan to refuel at PSP.
5. Approx. 11:15 - Prior to starting engines, Paul told me he had been receiving issues with his computer rig and that he may have to land at PSP earlier than planned. He told me kept receiving disk buffer errors. I advised that my batch of drives worked fine and we swapped drives.
6. Approx. 11:20 - N701DM completed run-up and received departure instructions.
7. Approx. 11:25 - N701DM departed CNO. No adverse conditions noted in flight though haze reduced ground visibility. Flight visibility was greater than 10sm. See attached image.
8. Unknown time - N701DM cancels flight following on 134.00. (I routinely cancel flight following prior to reaching the BNG or Banning Pass where there is a zone of communication loss with ATC then contact Paul to discuss flight conditions and intentions and would re-establish flight following once aircraft is configured and terrain would not necessitate a change of or monitor tower for departures out of PSP).
9. Unknown time - Attempted to contact Paul on 122.22 to advise of turbulent conditions. No contact. Tried to reach Paul again after 3 minutes with no contact established.
10. Unknown time - N701DM configured for collection. Noted prevailing winds from the west since aircraft overshot to intercept the southbound line.
11. Unknown time - Halfway through the line, a distress call was received. Attempted to reach and clarify with Paul. No contact. Another distress call was received. Looked at my Ipad to see N6521Y rapidly descending. Noted position before 21Y's disappearance.
12. Approx. 12:10 - Contacted ATC about an aircraft in distress on 134.00 and received a transponder code. Communication was broken. Requested a new frequency on 121.50. Aircraft in the vicinity relayed to N701DM to contact ATC on 126.70.
13. Approx. 12:15 - Scanned the vicinity southeast of HMT for the aircraft. Initial scan indicated there was no smoke on the ground. Checked if an ELT was activated.
14. At 12:22 - Contacted operations department via cellphone call to advise of the situation. Relayed important details but communication was lost.
15. At 12:38 - Continued scan of the area. Requested a ramp check for HMT and F70 from ATC. Contacted CTAF for any aircraft in the vicinity to advise if a red and black Piper Aztec was sighted.
16. At 12:54 - Contacted operations department via cellphone to ask if they have heard back from company aircraft. They replied no and communication was lost again.
17. Unknown time - Controller asked if I wanted lat/long for last position of N6521Y. To expedite my scan, I requested radar vectors for last known position instead. Asked ATC if emergency services were en-route.
18. Approx. 13:00 - Looked for wide open fields or roads to scan. Noted nothing out of the ordinary.
19. Approx. 13:05 - ATC advise the aircraft has been found and gave me a phone number to call. Copied the phone number and asked ATC to confirm N6521Y was safely on ground and at which airport. ATC replied that the aircraft has been found.
20. At 13:07 - Determined there is no further action on my part to help. Advised ATC that N701DM will be returning to CNO.

RECOMMENDATION (How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

Unknown

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☐ No

(If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.)

Unknown

**Total Time/Cycles
On Part**

_____ Hours

_____ Cycles

**Time Since This Part
Inspected/Overhauled**

_____ Hours

FUEL & SERVICES INFORMATION**Fuel on Board at Last Takeoff**

(Convert from pounds, as necessary)

140 Gallons**Fuel Type**☐ 80/87☐ 115/145☐ Jet B☐ Other, specify _____☒ 100 Low Lead☐ Jet A☐ JP8☐ 100/130☐ Jet A-1☐ Automotive

Other Services, if Any, Prior to Departure

EVACUATION OF AIRCRAFTWas an emergency evacuation of the aircraft performed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

Method of Exit – Describe how the occupants exited and how many occupants evacuated each location

OTHER AIRCRAFT – COLLISION (If air or ground collision occurred, complete this section for *other* aircraft)

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None**Registered Owner of Other Aircraft**

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Please type or print in ink)

Use this space if additional space is needed for any answers.

Flight times are approximate for Paul Mitchell

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE

Date of this Report

05/05/2020

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: Landcare Aviation Inc.

Signature: _____

-- or -- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a Person Other than Pilot/Operator is Filing Report

Name: ROBERT J. SHIRLEY

Title: VICE PRESIDENT

Signature: _____

-- or -- ☐ Check here to electronically sign this document

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Name of Investigator

Fabian Salazar

Date Report Received

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