

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

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

BASIC INFORMATION

Accident/Incident Location

Nearest City/Place: Silver Springs State: NV
 ZIP: 89429 Country: USA
 Latitude: 39:24.18N (dd:mm:ss N/S) Longitude: 119:15.07W (ddd:mm:ss E/W)

Date/Time

Date: 09/25/2020 Local Time: 1945
 mm/dd/yyyy Time Zone: Pacific

Phase of Operation

☐ Standing ☐ Takeoff (incl. initial climb) ☐ Cruise ☐ Hover
☐ Taxi ☐ Climb ☐ Maneuvering ☐ Other
☐ Descent ☒ Landing ☐ Approach ☐ Unknown

Collision with Other Aircraft

☐ Midair
☐ On-ground
☒ None

Altitude of In-Flight Occurrence

_____ ft MSL

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

Manufacturer: Piper
 Model: PA32-300
 Serial Number: 32-40198
 Registration Number: N4132W Amateur-built: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Max Gross Weight: 3,400 lbs
 Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 2,450 lbs
 Location of Center of Gravity at Time of Accident/Incident:
82 inches from ☐ nose or ☒ datum
 -or- _____ Percent Mean Aerodynamic Cord (% MAC)

Category of Aircraft

☒ Airplane
☐ Balloon
☐ Blimp/Dirigible
☐ Glider
☐ Gyrocraft
☐ Helicopter
☐ Powered lift
☐ Ultralight
☐ Unknown

Type of Airworthiness Certificate (Check all that apply)

Standard **Special**
☒ Normal ☐ Restricted
☐ Utility ☐ Limited
☐ Acrobatic ☐ Provisional
☐ Transport ☐ Experimental
☐ Special Flight
☐ Light Sport

Number of Seats: 6

If Large Aircraft, how many seats for:

Flight Crew: _____

Cabin Crew: _____

Passengers: _____

Landing Gear ☐ Retractable

Check any additional landing gear configuration that applies:

☒ Tricycle ☐ Tailwheel
☐ Amphibian ☐ High Skid
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Skid
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Hull ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Unknown

Type of Maintenance Program

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

Last Inspection Type

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

Date Last Inspection: 09/24/2020

mm/dd/yyyy

Airframe Total Time: 7,293 hrs

hours measured at (check one)

☒ Last Inspection ☐ Time of Accident/Incident

IFR Equipped

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Stall Warning System Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown

Type of Fire Extinguishing System

☐ None
☒ Specify Hand held Halon

ELT Installed

☒ Yes ☐ No

ELT Activated

☐ Yes ☒ No

ELT Manufacturer: Artex

Model/Series: _____

ELT Aided in Locating Accident/Incident

☐ Yes ☒ No

Serial Number: _____

Battery Type: BP 1020

Battery Exp. Date: 12/2021

Engine Type

☒ Reciprocating ☐ Turbo Jet
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Turbo Fan
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Unknown

Reciprocating Fuel System Type

☐ Carburetor
☒ Fuel Injected

Propeller

☐ Fixed Pitch
☒ Controllable Pitch

Manufacturer: Hartzell

Model: HC-C2YK-1BF

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Manufacturer's Serial Number	Date of Mfg. mm/dd/yyyy	Engine Rated Power Measured as (check one) ☒ Horsepower or ☐ lbs of Thrust	Total Time (hours)	Time Since Inspection (hours)	Time Since Overhaul (hours)
Eng. 1	LYCOMING	IO540-K1A5	L-10009-48	1978	300	5,305	1	1,273
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION			
Registered Aircraft Owner Name: <u>Grant Mills</u> Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No		Owner Address City: <u>Fallon</u> State: <u>NV</u> ZIP: <u>89406</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	
Operator of Aircraft ☐ Same As Registered Owner Name: _____ Doing Business As: _____ Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4 Character Code): _____		Operator Address ☐ Same As Registered Owner City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Country: _____	
Regulation Flight Conducted Under ☒ FAR 91 ☐ FAR 129 ☐ FAR 91 Special Flight ☐ Public Use (select type) ☐ FAR 103 ☐ FAR 133 ☐ Non-US, Commercial ☐ Federal ☐ State ☐ Local ☐ FAR 121 ☐ FAR 135 ☐ Non-US, Non-commercial ☐ Unknown ☐ FAR 125 ☐ FAR 137 ☐ Armed Forces		Revenue Sightseeing Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No Air Medical Flight ☐ Yes ☒ No	
Purpose of Flight for FAR 91, 103, 133, 137 (Select one) ☒ Personal ☐ Business ☐ Executive/Corporate ☐ Other Work Use ☐ Instructional ☐ Ferry ☐ Positioning ☐ Aerial Application ☐ Aerial Observation ☐ Air Drop ☐ Air Race / Show ☐ Flight Test ☐ Public Use ☐ Unknown	Revenue Operation for FAR 121, 125, 129, 135 (Select one) ☐ Scheduled or Commuter ☐ Non-Scheduled or Air Taxi Domestic or International ☐ Domestic ☐ International	Type of Commercial Operating Certificate Held (Select all that apply) ☒ None ☐ Flag Carrier Operating Certificate (121) ☐ Supplemental ☐ Air Cargo ☐ Foreign Air Carriers (129) ☐ Commuter Air Carrier (135) ☐ On-Demand Air Taxi (135) ☐ Large Helicopter (127) ☐ Rotorcraft External Load (133) - or - ☐ Agricultural Aircraft (137) ☐ Other Operator of Large Aircraft	
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 First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			
Pilot of Other Aircraft First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____ Last Name: _____ Country: _____			
MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on separate sheet)			
Was there Mechanical Malfunction/Failure? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Unknown (If yes, list the name of the part, manufacturer, part no., serial no., and describe the failure.) 			Total Time/Cycles On Part _____ Hours _____ Cycles Time Since This Part Inspected/Overhauled _____ Hours
DAMAGE TO AIRCRAFT AND OTHER PROPERTY			
Aircraft Damage ☐ None ☒ Substantial ☐ Minor ☐ Destroyed	Aircraft Fire ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight ☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin ☐ On-Ground	Aircraft Explosion ☒ None ☐ Both Ground and In-Flight ☐ In-Flight ☐ Unknown Origin ☐ On-Ground	

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

Damage to left wing leading edge outboard end. Damage to upper and lower wing skin at fuselage joint. Damage to inboard edges of upper and lower skin of left aileron and outboard edges of upper and lower skin of left flap.

AIRPORT INFORMATION (If the accident/incident occurred on approach, takeoff or within 3 miles of an airport, complete this section)Airport Identifier: KSPZ

Distance From Airport Center: _____ SM

Airport Name: Silver Springs Airport

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees MAG

Proximity to Airport ☐ Off Airport/Airstrip ☐ On Airport ☒ On AirstripAirport Elevation: 4,265 ft. MSL**Approach Segment** (Select one)

☐ On Instrument Approach ☒ Landing ☐ Base leg ☐ Final ☐ Go Around
☐ Crosswind ☐ Downwind ☐ Low Approach ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)

IFR Approach (Check all that apply)

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

VFR Approach (Check all that apply)

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

Runway InformationRunway ID: 24 (L/R/C) Length: 6,001 ft Width: 75 ft**Runway/Landing Surface** (Check all that apply)

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

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 ☐ Unknown
☐ Slush Covered ☐ Vegetation

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION**Last Departure Point**Airport ID: KFLXCity: FallonState: NVCountry: USA**Time of Departure**Time: 1930Time Zone: Pacific**Destination**Airport ID: KFLXCity: FallonState: NVCountry: 89406**Type Flight Plan Filed**

☒ None ☐ VFR/IFR
☐ Company VFR ☐ IFR
☐ Military VFR ☐ Unknown
☐ VFR

Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No**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 E ☐ Prohibited Area ☐ Jet Training Area ☐ Special
☐ Class B ☒ Class G ☐ Restricted Area ☐ TRSA ☐ Air Traffic Control Area
☐ Class C ☐ Demo Area ☐ Military Operations Area (MOA) ☐ FAR 93 ☐ Unknown
☐ Class D ☐ Warning Area ☐ Airport Advisory Area

Aircraft Load Description (Check all that apply)

☒ None ☐ Towing Glider ☐ Parachutists ☐ Livestock
☐ Passengers ☐ Towing Banner ☐ Water ☐ Unknown
☐ Cargo ☐ Other External ☐ Chemical/Fertilizer/Seeds

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

(convert from pounds, as necessary)

50 Gallons**Fuel Type**

☐ 80/87 ☐ 115/145 ☐ JP3 ☐ Other, specify _____
☒ 100 Low Lead ☐ Jet A ☐ JP4
☐ 100/130 ☐ Automotive ☐ JP5

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

WEATHER INFORMATION AT THE ACCIDENT/INCIDENT SITE**Weather Observation Facility**Facility ID: KSPZObservation Time: 1940Time Zone: Pacific

Distance from Accident Site: _____ NM

Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees MAG

Source of Weather Information

(Check all that apply)

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ National Weather Service | ☐ Company |
| ☐ Flight Service Station | ☐ Military |
| ☐ TV/Radio | ☐ Internet |
| ☒ Automated Report | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Commercial Weather Service (DUATS) | |

Method of Briefing

(Check all that apply)

- | |
|--|
| ☐ In Person |
| ☐ Teletype |
| ☐ Telephone/Computer |
| ☒ Aircraft Radio |
| ☐ TV/Radio |
| ☐ Unknown |

Briefing Type/Completeness

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ Full | ☐ Abbreviated |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Pilot | ☐ Unknown |
| ☐ Partial / Limited By Briefer | ☐ Not Pertinent |

Light Condition

- | | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|
| ☐ Dawn | ☐ Dusk | ☐ Dark Night |
| ☐ Day | ☒ Night | ☐ Bright Night |
| ☐ Not Reported | | |

Visibility_____ 10 miles**Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition**

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

Ceiling

- | | |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ☒ None (clear) | ☐ Obscured |
| ☐ Broken | ☐ Indefinite |
| ☐ Overcast | ☐ Unknown |

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 |

Lowest Cloud Condition Height

_____ ft AGL

Ceiling Height

_____ ft AGL

Wind Direction☒ Indicated:
_____ 290 degrees MAG☐ Variable**Wind Speed**Velocity: _____ 12 KTS

-or-

- | |
|---|
| ☐ Calm |
| ☐ Light and Variable |

Wind GustsVelocity: _____ 24 KTS

- | |
|---|
| ☒ Gusting |
| ☐ Not Gusting |

Type of Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | | |
|------------------------------------|---|
| ☐ None | ☐ In Clouds |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Vicinity of Thunderstorm |

Severity of Turbulence

- | | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Extreme | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Severe | ☐ Moderate Chop | |

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

Temperature: _____ (C)
or _____ (F)Altimeter Setting: _____ in. HG
or _____ MB

Density Altitude: _____ ft

Dew Point: _____ (C)
or _____ (F)**Icing Forecast****Amount**

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Mixed |

Icing Actual**Amount**

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ☐ None | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Trace | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Light | |

Type

- | |
|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Rime |
| ☐ Clear |
| ☐ Mixed |

Type of Precipitation (Check all that apply)

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

Intensity of Precipitation

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| ☐ Light | ☐ Moderate | ☐ Heavy |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|

PILOT "A" INFORMATION

Pilot "A" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

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

Pilot "A" Identification

First Name: William City: Fallon
 Middle Initial: F State: NV ZIP: 89406
 Last Name: Topken Country: USA

Age at time of Accident/Incident: 70 Date of Birth: mm/dd/yyyy Certificate Number: mm/dd/yyyy

Degree of Injury

☒ None
 ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

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

Seat Belt

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☒ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None
 ☐ Student
 ☐ Recreational
 ☐ Commercial
 ☒ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Foreign
☒ Private
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Sport
 ☐ Airline Transport
 ☐ U.S. Military

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
☐ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

06/07/2017
mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

BasicMED – NO Limitations

Medical Certificate Waivers

NONE

Date of Last Flight Review or Equivalent, Including FAR 121/135 Checks:

11/21/2019
mm/dd/yyyy

Flight Review Aircraft

Make: Piper
 Model: PA32-300

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
☐ Free 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	1,132	243	1,132		56					
Pilot in Command (PIC)	1,083	243	1,083		56					
Time as Instructor										
This Make/Model					12					
Last 90 Days	9	8	9							
Last 30 Days	1	1	1		1					
Last 24 Hours	0	0	0							

PILOT "B" INFORMATION

Pilot "B" Responsibilities at the Time of Accident/Incident

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

Pilot "B" Identification

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

Degree of Injury

☐ None
 ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor
 ☐ Unknown
☐ Serious

Seat Occupied

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

Seat Belt

Used ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Shoulder Harness

Used ☐ Yes ☐ No
 Available ☐ Yes ☐ No

Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)

☐ None
 ☐ Student
 ☐ Recreational
 ☐ Commercial
 ☐ Flight Engineer
 ☐ Foreign
☐ Private
 ☐ Flight Instructor
 ☐ Sport
 ☐ Airline Transport
 ☐ U.S. Military

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
☐ With limitations/waivers
☐ Unknown

Date of Last Medical

mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

Medical Certificate Waivers

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
☐ Free 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 CREW MEMBERS (Exclusive of cabin attendants, complete the following information)																	
Pilot Name and Address						Degree of Injury											
First Name: _____			City: _____			☐ None		☐ Fatal									
Middle Initial: _____			State: _____ ZIP: _____			☐ Minor		☐ Unknown									
Last Name: _____			Country: _____			☐ Serious											
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)						Seat Occupied											
☐ None		☐ Student		☐ Recreational		☐ Commercial		☐ Flight Engineer									
☐ Private		☐ Flight Instructor		☐ Sport		☐ Airline Transport		☐ U.S. Military									
								☐ Foreign									
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft?				☐ Yes ☐ No		Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident:		_____ hrs									
						☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Unknown											
Pilot Name and Address						Degree of Injury											
First Name: _____			City: _____			☐ None		☐ Fatal									
Middle Initial: _____			State: _____ ZIP: _____			☐ Minor		☐ Unknown									
Last Name: _____			Country: _____			☐ Serious											
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)						Seat Occupied											
☐ None		☐ Student		☐ Recreational		☐ Commercial		☐ Flight Engineer									
☐ Private		☐ Flight Instructor		☐ Sport		☐ Airline Transport		☐ U.S. Military									
								☐ Foreign									
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft?				☐ Yes ☐ No		Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident:		_____ hrs									
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Pilot Name and Address						Degree of Injury											
First Name: _____			City: _____			☐ None		☐ Fatal									
Middle Initial: _____			State: _____ ZIP: _____			☐ Minor		☐ Unknown									
Last Name: _____			Country: _____			☐ Serious											
Pilot Certificate(s) (Check all that apply)						Seat Occupied											
☐ None		☐ Student		☐ Recreational		☐ Commercial		☐ Flight Engineer									
☐ Private		☐ Flight Instructor		☐ Sport		☐ Airline Transport		☐ U.S. Military									
								☐ Foreign									
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						☐ Left ☐ Front ☐ Right ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Unknown											
PASSENGER(S) / OTHER PERSONNEL (Include flight attendants; continue on separate sheet if necessary)																	
Name and Address						Seat	Crew	Non-Revenue	Revenue	Non-Occupant	FAA	Fatal	Serious Injury	Minor Injury	No Injury	Unknown	
First Name: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Middle Initial: _____																	
Last Name: _____																	
City: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
State: _____ ZIP: _____																	
Country: _____																	
First Name: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Middle Initial: _____																	
Last Name: _____																	
City: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
State: _____ ZIP: _____																	
Country: _____																	
First Name: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Middle Initial: _____																	
Last Name: _____																	
City: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
State: _____ ZIP: _____																	
Country: _____																	
First Name: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Middle Initial: _____																	
Last Name: _____																	
City: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
State: _____ ZIP: _____																	
Country: _____																	
First Name: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Middle Initial: _____																	
Last Name: _____																	
City: _____						_____		☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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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 time and point of departure, intended destination, and services obtained.

Friday, September 25, 2020. Took off from Fallon Municipal Airport (KFLX) at 7:20pm on first flight after getting airplane annual inspection completed. Did 2 full stop landings at FLX, then departed to Silver Springs Airport (KSPZ) for night currency and to buy fuel. AWOS at SPZ was reporting winds at 290 degrees at 12 knots gusting 24 knots. I did a straight-in approach to land Runway 24. After flaring and touchdown on runway the airplane turned to the right and started sliding sideways, despite control inputs, and it departed the right side (north) runway. As the airplane slowed I regained directional, but I felt it bogging down, so I kept power in and some speed up as I did not want to get stuck in what I believed was soft sand or mud from previous rains. As I was taxiing towards the taxiway (A2) I heard and felt a bang and jolt to the airplane. After slowing to turn onto the taxiway, the airplane came to a stop and would not continue. I believed that I had hit a hole or ditch and had damaged the nose landing gear. After shutting down the engine and securing the magnetos and battery, the SPZ airport manager made contact with me. She noticed the right main landing gear tire was flat; which is probably what gave me the sense of the airplane bogging down in soft sand or mud. The terrain between the runway and taxiway is flat compacted sand with short scrub brush. Walking and looking at the tracks in the dirt, we saw the runway hold short sign and commented it did not have any damage to it. Walking back towards the airplane following the tracks, I realized I could not have missed hitting the runway hold short sign and noticed white paint on the end of it. That is when I checked the left wing and found the damage, and realized what the bang and impact was from. I did not see the runway hold short sign in time to be able to maneuver around it, as it was dark and the black end was towards me. It was not illuminated at the time we were inspecting it, and I do not believe it was illuminated when the airplane hit it. We set up cones around the airplane and secured the airplane for the night. I returned the next morning (Saturday), contacted the NTSB, changed the flat tire and moved airplane to a parking location and secured it.

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

Operator/Owner Safety Recommendation

Improved crosswind landing control. If, in an unusual situation (off airport runway), stop and consider the situation and what options are available. Consider the consequences of any actions to follow.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION *(Please type or print in ink)*

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

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE INFORMATION IS COMPLETE AND ACCURATE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE**Date of this Report**10/01/2020*mm/dd/yyyy***Signature and Name of Pilot/Operator**

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