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ACCIDENT SITE SURVEY

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A. ACCIDENT

Location: Chelan, Washington
Date: June 5, 2022
Time: 1300 Pacific daylight time
Airplane: N15MF / Super Koala

B. ACCIDENT SITE SURVEY

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C. SUMMARY

On June 5, 2022, about 1300 Pacific daylight time, an experimental, amateur built, Super Koala airplane with no registration, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Chelan, Washington. The pilot was not injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14, *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91, personal flight.

The pilot reported that he overflew the runway, when he turned to the crosswind leg, the engine lost total power and the propeller continued to windmill. The pilot checked that the throttle was at maximum power setting and that the ignition switch was on, then initiated a forced landing to a field. The fuselage and wings were substantially damaged.

The IIC travelled to the Riverview Airpark (91WT), Chelan, Washington, to conduct an airframe and engine examination. Upon arrival, only the fuselage and engine with propeller were present.

D. DETAILS OF THE INVESTIGATION

1.0 Accident Site

The airplane came to rest on a hill located at 47.902199 -119.89787, at an elevation of about 1,045 ft man sea level, about 600 ft west of 91WT. The area was open and hilly with scattered vegetation and rocks.

The airplane was relocated to the airport and placed into outdoor storage. 91WT was a private use airport. Upon arrival to the airport, the IIC contacted a resident who

lived on the airport property. He pointed to an open area where the airplane was located. The wings and the fuel tank were not present. Despite multiple attempts to reach the pilot, he was unavailable to answer questions about the wings and fuel tank.



Figure 1. Google Earth image showing the accident site location.



Figure 2. N15MF at the accident site. Photo courtesy of the pilot.



Figure 3. Side view of N15MF at the accident site. Photo courtesy of the pilot.



Figure 4. N15MF, as found at the airport, prior to the airframe and engine examination.

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