



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Date: October 3, 2022
Where: Phone Conversation
Person Contacted: Nathan Gale-Inspector, FAA FSDO
NTSB Accident Number: WPR22LA362

During the phone conversation with Mr. Gale, he stated that he spoke with the pilot briefly over the phone following the accident. The pilot “owned up to the accident” and the pilot further stated to him that he needed more engine power and altitude during his approach into Howe Airport (U97), Howe, Idaho. The airplane landed on a plowed field, short of the airstrip and the nose landing gear collapsed. Subsequently, the airplane nosed over resulting in substantial damage to the vertical stabilizer and both wings. The pilot also stated that he had not flown the airplane for most of the year due to maintenance being performed on the airplane. The maintenance on the airplane was not further explained. The pilot did not report any mechanical anomalies or malfunctions with the airplane during the flight. The pilot reported 90 hours of flight time in the accident airplane and had a total flight time of about 700 hours. The pilot stated to Mr. Gale, the purpose of the flight was personal, and that he was just flying in the area of U97.



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