

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD • PILOT/OPERATOR AIRCRAFT ACCIDENT/INCIDENT REPORT Use this form (Form 6120.1) to report civil and public aircraft accidents and incidents

BASIC INFORMATION
Accident/Incident Location

 Nearest City/Place: Havasu City State: Ca

 ZIP: 92363 Country: USA

 Latitude: N34°31.73 Longitude: W114°25.92

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

Accident/Incident Date/Time

 Date: 12/08/2025 Local Time: 10:30

mm/dd/yyyy

HH:MM

 Time Zone: Pacif

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

AIRCRAFT INFORMATION

 Registration Number: C-GBZD

 Manufacturer: Rotorway

 Model: 162F

 Serial Number: 6614

 Year of Manufacture: 2,010

 Amateur-Built: ☒ Yes If Yes: ☐ Original Design

☐ No

☒ Kit/Plans

 Make: Rotorway
☐ IFR-Equipped and Certified

☐ Commercial Space Flight

☐ Unmanned Aircraft

 Maximum Gross Weight: 1,500 lbs.

 Weight at Time of Accident/Incident: 1,217 lbs.

 Number of Seats: 2

 Flight Crew Seats:

 Cabin Crew Seats: 1

 Passenger Seats: 1

 Number of Engines: 1
Category of Aircraft
(Select one)

- ☐ 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

Special

- ☐ Restricted
☐ Limited
☐ Provisional
☒ Special Flight
☐ Experimental
☐ Special Light-Sport
☐ Experimental Light-Sport

☐ Certificate of Authorization or Waiver (COA)
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Landing Gear

(Check all that apply)

- ☐ Retractable ☐ High Skid
☐ Tricycle ☒ Skid
☐ Tailwheel ☐ Ski/Wheel
☐ Emergency Float ☐ Hull
☐ Float ☐ Ski
☐ Amphibian
☐ Other Launch/Recovery System
☐ None ☐ Unknown

Engine Type (Select one)

- ☒ Reciprocating ☐ Liquid Rocket
☐ Turbo Shaft ☐ Solid Rocket
☐ Turbo Prop ☐ Hybrid Rocket
☐ Turbo Jet ☐ None
☐ Turbo Fan ☐ Unknown
☐ Electric

Fuel System Type (Reciprocating)

- ☐ Carburetor ☒ Fuel Injected

Engine	Engine Manufacturer	Engine Model/Series	Engine 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	Rotorway International	RI 162F	6614	10/16/2010	150	290	11	
Eng. 2								
Eng. 3								
Eng. 4								

Last Inspection Type

- ☐ 100-Hour
☐ AAIP
☒ Annual
☐ Continuous Airworthiness
☐ Condition
☐ Unknown

 Date of Last Inspection: 01/10/2025
 mm/dd/yyyy

 Airframe Total Time: 290.0 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: onboard pressure system

Additional Equipment

- ☐ ADS-B
☐ Airframe Parachute
☐ Angle of Attack Indicator
☐ Autopilot
☐ Autopilot/FMS, Model: _____
☐ Coupled Flight Director
☐ Data Recorder
☐ Device Stall Warning System
☐ Electronic Flight Bag or Handheld Device
☐ Electronic Multifunction Display
☐ Electronic Primary Flight Display
☐ Flight Management System

- ☐ Handheld GPS
☐ Heads Up Display
☐ Night Vision Goggles
☐ Onboard Weather
☐ Primary Flight Display
☐ SAS, Number of Axes: _____ Model: _____
☐ Satellite Tracking Device
☐ Stall Warning System
☐ Video Recording Device
☐ Wire Strike Detection
☐ Wire Strike Protection
☐ Other, Specify: _____

 ELT Installed: ☒ Yes ☐ No If Yes:

 ELT Manufacturer: Ameri-King

 Model or Part No.: AK-451-2

 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

Propeller 1 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

Propeller 2 ☐ Fixed Pitch
☐ Controllable Pitch
☐ Ground Adjustable

Manufacturer: _____

Model: _____

OWNER/OPERATOR INFORMATION**Registered Aircraft Owner**

Name: [REDACTED]
 City: Port Alberni State: BC
 ZIP: V9Y9C9 Country: Can

Fractional Ownership Aircraft: ☐ Yes ☒ No

Operator of Aircraft

☒ The Operator is also the Registered Owner

☒ Same address as Registered Owner

Name: _____
 City: _____ State: _____
 ZIP: _____ Country: _____

Doing Business As: _____

Air Carrier/Operator Designator (4-character code): _____

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 450
☐ 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
☐ 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 ☐ Unknown

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: Chemehuevi Valley

Airport Identifier: 49X

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

Distance From Airport Center: _____ sm.

Direction From Airport: _____ degrees true

Airport Elevation: 638.00 ft. MSL

Runway Information

Runway ID: 16 Length: 5,000 ft. Width: 75 ft.

Runway/Landing Surface *(Check all that apply)*

- ☒ Asphalt ☐ Grass/Turf ☐ Ice ☐ Snow
☐ Concrete ☐ Gravel ☐ Macadam ☐ Water
☐ Dirt ☐ Helideck ☐ Metal/Wood ☐ Unknown
☐ Elevated Heliport ☐ Helistop ☐ Off-site landing area

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 ☐ Crosswind ☐ Aborted Landing (after touchdown)
☐ Unknown

IFR Approach *(Check all that apply)*

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

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**

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☒ 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:

City of Residence: Port Alberni

Middle Initial:

State: BC ZIP: v9y9c9

Last Name:

Country: Can

Age at time of Accident/Incident:

Date of Birth: /1951 (mm/dd/yyyy)

Certificate Number:

Degree of Injury

☒ None ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

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

Supplemental Restraint, specify:

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 ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☒ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

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

☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate Validity

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

Date of Last Medical

05/30/2024
 mm/dd/yyyy

Medical Certificate Limitations

glasses must be worn, plus hearing aid or headset

Medical Certificate Special Limitations

glasses must be worn, plus hearing aid or headset

Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other:

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)

☒ 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 Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						Actual	Simulated					
Total Time	1,103	11	1,062		23			41				
Pilot in Command (PIC)	1,062	11	1,062		23			11				
Time as Instructor												
This Make/Model												
Last 90 Days		2						2				
Last 30 Days								1				
Last 24 Hours								1				

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

☐ Captain ☐ First Officer ☐ 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 ☐ Serious
☐ Unknown ☐ Fatal
☐ Minor

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 ☐ Sport
☐ Student ☐ Flight Engineer

Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____

Principal Occupation

☐ Pilot
☐ Other
☐ Unknown

Medical Certificate

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

☐ 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 Limitations****Personal Flight Equipment** (Check all that apply)

☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves
☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____

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)

☐ 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 Multiengine ☐ Helicopter
☐ Gyroplane ☐ Glider
☐ Powered lift ☐ Sport

Type Ratings and Applicable Logbook Endorsements**Student Endorsements** (Include dates)

Flight Time (Enter hours for each box)	All Aircraft	This Make & Model	Airplane Single Engine	Airplane Multiengine	Night	Instrument		Rotorcraft	Glider	Lighter Than Air	Multi-engine Rotorcraft	Tail-wheel
						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.)

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal locator beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
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 ☐ 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
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.	Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	

Additional Crewmember Information		Seat Occupied	Injury
First Name: _____	City of Residence: _____	☐ Left ☐ Rear ☐ Center ☐ Single ☐ Right ☐ Unknown ☐ Front	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown
Middle Initial: _____	State: _____ Zip: _____		
Last Name: _____	Country: _____		
Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ Personal Locator Beacon(s) (PLB) ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____			
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 ☐ 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
Type Rating/Endorsement for Accident/Incident Aircraft? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Total Flight Time at the Time of this Accident/Incident: _____ hrs.	Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	

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

Number of Passengers _____	Seat	Injury	Restraint Type	Inflatable Restraints	Age
Passenger Information First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown
First Name: _____ City: _____ Middle Initial: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Last name: _____ Country: _____ ☐ Crew ☐ Passenger ☐ Other Personal Flight Equipment (Check all that apply) ☐ Fire resistant flight suit ☐ Helmet ☐ Laser protective visor/glasses ☐ PLB ☐ Fire resistant gloves ☐ Night vision goggles ☐ Helmet visor ☐ Personal flotation ☐ Other: _____	☐ Left ☐ Center ☐ Right ☐ Unknown Row: _____	☐ None ☐ Minor ☐ Serious ☐ Fatal ☐ Unknown	Available ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown Supplemental Restraint, specify: _____	Used ☐ None ☐ Lap Only ☐ 3-point ☐ 4-point ☐ 5-point ☐ Unknown	☐ Not Installed ☐ Installed ☐ Not Deployed ☐ Deployed ☐ Unknown	☐ Under 5 years If under 5 years, ☐ Child Restraint ☐ Lap-Held ☐ Unknown

FLIGHT ITINERARY INFORMATION

Last Departure Point	Time of Departure	Flight Information	Destination	Type Flight Plan Filed
Airport ID: <u>HII</u> City: <u>Lake Havasu City</u> State: <u>Az</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	Time: <u>09:45</u> HH:MM Time Zone: <u>Centr</u>	Flight Number: _____ Operating as Flight _____	Airport ID: <u>49x</u> City: <u>Havas</u> Lake State: <u>Ca</u> Country: <u>USA</u>	☒ None ☐ Company VFR ☐ Military VFR ☐ VFR Activated? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unknown ☐ VFR/IFR ☐ IFR ☐ Unknown

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

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

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: _____ 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
☐ Electronic Flight Bag-Application: ☐ Unknown

☐ On-Board Weather**Weather Observation Facility**

Facility ID: _____
 Observation Time: _____
 Time Zone: _____
 Distance from Accident Site: _____ nm
 Direction from Accident Site: _____ degrees true

Basic Conditions

- ☒ VMC
☐ IMC
☐ Unknown

Lowest Cloud Condition**Height**

_____ ft. AGL

Light Condition

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

Sky/Lowest Cloud Condition

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

Ceiling

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

Ceiling Height

_____ ft. AGL

Temperature: _____ (°C) or 66.0 (°F)

Dewpoint: _____ (°C) or _____ (°F)

Altimeter Setting:

_____ (Hg), or _____ (mb)

Wind Direction

☐ Variable or
 Direction: _____
 degrees true

Wind Speed

☒ Calm
☐ Light and Variable
 or
 Speed: _____ kts

Wind Gusts

☒ Not Gusting
 or
 Speed: _____ kts

Visibility

20.0 _____ miles
 RVR: _____ feet
 RVV: _____ miles
 Density Altitude: 640.0 ft.

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

Intensity of Precipitation

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

Icing Actual

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

Turbulence (Check all that apply)

- | Type | Severity |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| ☒ None | ☐ Light |
| ☐ Clear Air | ☐ Moderate |
| ☐ Terrain-Induced | ☐ Severe |
| ☐ Convective | ☐ Extreme |

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

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 ☐ Fire at Unknown Time
☐ On-Ground ☐ Unknown

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

Front and rear gear hoops bent up and outwards, tail boom bent and wrinkled, Tail rotor broken, one blade off, Horizontal stabilizer, one side broken. All cockpit, and body panels, engine and drive line and fuel tanks etc., received no damage.

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.

Arrived at HII at 08:45 with Helicopter in it's trailer with the intent to do engine and systems checks. Upon unloading the aircraft and doing a preflight inspection of all systems and fluids, I entered the aircraft and went through the start up and systems checklist as per Rotorway. When the engine water and oil temps were in the green I performed Fadec, ignition and fuel system checks as well as sprag clutch (split the needles) and all systems functioned normal. I then hovered the aircraft for about 10 minutes watching all temps and pressures, MAP and power settings, all were normal. I set the aircraft down, did a 2 minute cool down and shut the engine down and got out and checked the engine and belly pan area for any leaks or other abnormalities. All appeared good. It was at this point I deciding to get back in, start the helicopter and fly over to Chemehuevi airport and fly a few stop and go circuits. I made my radio call and departed the North ramp of HII west bound, climbed to 1200 asl and flew over the open desert to 49X, changing frequency from HII (122.7 to 49X 122.9) while crossing the river upstream. Flying South along the west shore at 1200 asl I made a radio call turning base left hand for runway 16 Chemehuevi traffic. My next call was turning final runway 16 stop and go Chemehuevi. I did my prelanding checks and lined up on runway 16 and started a descent aiming for about 1/2 way down 16. I reduced collective and raised the nose a little to slow my speed and went through translation about 50 ft above the runway and came to a hover about 10 ft, hovered there about 10 or 15 seconds and proceeded down 16 for my next circuit making appropriate radio calls. The second circuit was much the same as the first. I began my 3rd circuit climbed to 1200asl joining downwind lefthand for 16, with the numbers just behind my left shoulder I called left base for 16 Chemehuevi stop and go called turning final Chemehuevi stop and go and started my descent aiming for about halfway down the runway. All was normal as I descended I had reduced the collective to about 15 in MAP and pulled the cyclic back slightly to reduce speed from 65 mph, all indicators were in the green, as I approached about 50ft agl and 20 mph going through translation there was the normal small vibration and I was pulling more power in with the collective and slightly back on the cyclic to slow to almost 0 forward speed at about 30 ft agl engine noise dropped right off, red warning light and audible horn came on, the helicopter rotated right, I countered with left peddle and pulled up on the collective and rotated the throttle with no response. The helicopter skids hit the gravel on the west side of the runway about 1/2 way down. It was turned back facing the runway on about a 45* angle to the runway. I think it bounced sideways and the right rear skid dug into the gravel and the helicopter leaned back on the sloping gravel and the tail rotor hit the ground hard and bent the boom. I shut off all switches and fuel valve and waited for the main rotor blades to stop before exiting via the left door. As I looked around the site I noticed the broken tail rotor blade and assorted fiberglass pieces laying on the gravel behind the tailboom. I tried to make a call but my cel phone had no service, It was about 10:30 am.

OPERATOR/OWNER SAFETY RECOMMENDATION *(How could this accident/incident have been prevented?)*

Upon getting the helicopter home I began to remove all the body panels to try to estimate the damage and find out what had caused the loss of power. when all panels were off and nothing in the way of moving parts I decided to try and start the engine. following the check list all was normal and the engine started right up. I let it warm up at idle and all pressures and temps were in the green. I then tried to raise the rpm with the throttle and nothing happened, the throttle felt normal but no rpm increase, so I shut it off and started to trouble shoot. Thats when I discovered the throttle cable disconnected from the throttle lever on the intake manifold. This is the bad part. Thats when I recalled about a week ago I was cleaning and checking things on the engine and removed the throttle cable to reroute some wires away from the throttle area to prevent chafing. when reinstalling the cable I replaced the old nut with a new AN 1/4" nyloc nut. I noticed at the time I should maybe use a 1/2 thickness nut as the full size nut had no threads protruding out of the nyloc nut. It was on my "todo" list. One of my rules has been always get a qualified person to double check your work and always leave a DO NOT USE note on the dash with reason why. I failed to do either. This was completely preventable.

MECHANICAL MALFUNCTION/FAILURE (If more space is needed, continue on a 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.)

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)

12.0 _____ Gallons

Fuel Type

☐ 100 Low Lead☒ Automotive☐ Jet A☐ Jet A-1☐ Unleaded AV☐ Other, specify _____

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:

After touching down I shut off all electrical, fuel and engine ignition switches, checked for smoke or fire and waited for the main rotor blades to stop turning and exited the aircraft via the left side door, upon exiting I shut off the main battery switch on the fuselage.

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

Aircraft Registration Number

Manufacturer: _____

Damage to Other Aircraft:

☐ Destroyed☐ Minor☐ Substantial☐ None

Model: _____

Registered Owner of Other Aircraft

Pilot of Other Aircraft

Name: _____

Name: _____

City: _____

City: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

State: _____ ZIP: _____

Country: _____

Country: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION (Additional space for answers to any question.)

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

I understand that the information provided may be subject to public release.

Date of this report:

12/10/2025

mm/dd/yyyy

Name of Pilot/Operator: [REDACTED]

Signature: _____

-or- ☒ Check here to electronically sign this document

If a person other than Pilot/Operator is filing this report

Name: _____

Title: _____

Signature: _____

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Name of Investigator
Kevin Slinker

Date Report Received
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