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Subject: WPR26LA113, Record of conversation

Contact: [REDACTED], Student Pilot

I spoke with the student pilot who was flying N88GX about the circumstances of the accident. Here are the details he provided:

He was practicing touch-and-go landings in the traffic pattern to gain more experience and solo flight time before his check ride.

At the time of the accident, he had approximately 72 total flight hours, including 11 hours of solo flight experience.

During the accident, he landed on the runway but bounced the airplane upon landing. In response to the bounce, he applied forward pitch using the flight controls to try to stop it. However, the airplane bounced again, this time slightly higher than before. He once again applied forward elevator to mitigate the bounce. Then the airplane struck the runway hard a third time, causing the nose gear to bend resulting in a prop strike, which led to a loss of thrust. He subsequently called the tower and informed them that he was unable to taxi off the runway.

He reported no mechanical issues that would have affected the normal operation of the airplane.