



Aviation Investigation Notification

Location:	Silver City, NM	Accident Number:	WPR21LA027
Date & Time:	October 26, 2020, 23:37 Local	Registration:	N530H
Aircraft:	AMERICAN EUROCOPTER AS350B3	Injuries:	1 Minor
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Positioning		

The NTSB is conducting a [Class 4 investigation](#) into this event. A preliminary report will not be issued but a final report will be released at the conclusion of the investigation.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	AMERICAN EUROCOPTER	Registration:	N530H
Model/Series:	AS350B3	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	AIR METHODS CORP	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	On-demand air taxi (135)
Operator Designator Code:			

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Night
Observation Facility, Elevation:	SVC,5446 ft msl	Observation Time:	23:37 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	8 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	3°C /3°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	9 knots / None, 110°
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 1300 ft AGL	Visibility:	7 miles
Altimeter Setting:	29.89 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	CVFR
Departure Point:	Silver City, NM (NM85)	Destination:	Silver City, NM (94E)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Minor	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Minor	Latitude, Longitude:	32.769381,-108.21173

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Link, Samantha

Additional Participating Persons: Michael Petrofes; Federal Aviation Administration; Albuquerque, NM

Investigation Class: [Class 4](#)

Note: The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.