



# Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

<b>Location:</b>	Wingate, NC	<b>Accident Number:</b>	ERA21FA200
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	May 2, 2021, 13:18 Local	<b>Registration:</b>	N4528T
<b>Aircraft:</b>	ROBINSON HELICOPTER R44	<b>Injuries:</b>	1 Fatal
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 137: Agricultural		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	ROBINSON HELICOPTER	<b>Registration:</b>	N4528T
<b>Model/Series:</b>	R44	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Helicopter
<b>Amateur Built:</b>			
<b>Operator:</b>	KRITTER CROPDUSTING INC	<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	Agricultural aircraft (137)
<b>Operator Designator Code:</b>			

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	VMC	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>	EQY,679 ft msl	<b>Observation Time:</b>	12:53 Local
<b>Distance from Accident Site:</b>	12 Nautical Miles	<b>Temperature/Dew Point:</b>	25°C /15°C
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Scattered / 3800 ft AGL	<b>Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:</b>	8 knots / 15 knots, 210°
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>		<b>Visibility:</b>	10 miles
<b>Altimeter Setting:</b>	30.02 inches Hg	<b>Type of Flight Plan Filed:</b>	None
<b>Departure Point:</b>	Wingate, NC	<b>Destination:</b>	Wingate, NC

## Wreckage and Impact Information

<b>Crew Injuries:</b>	1 Fatal	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Passenger Injuries:</b>		<b>Aircraft Fire:</b>	None
<b>Ground Injuries:</b>	N/A	<b>Aircraft Explosion:</b>	None
<b>Total Injuries:</b>	1 Fatal	<b>Latitude, Longitude:</b>	34.882269,-80.435991

## Administrative Information

<b>Investigator In Charge (IIC):</b>	Spencer, Lynn
<b>Additional Participating Persons:</b>	Eric Newsome; FAA FSDO; Charlotte, NC Thom Webster; Robinson Helicopters; Torrance, CA James M Childers; Lycoming Engine; Williamsport, PA
<b>Investigation Class:</b>	<a href="#">Class 3</a>
<b>Note:</b>	