



Aviation Investigation Notification

Location:	Merry, NE	Accident Number:	CEN21LA348
Date & Time:	July 30, 2021, 12:00 Local	Registration:	N857TL
Aircraft:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER CO R66	Injuries:	1 Serious
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 137: Agricultural		

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:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER CO	Registration:	N857TL
Model/Series:	R66	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	HIGGINS LEASING INC	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Designator Code:			

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KAIA,3929 ft msl	Observation Time:	10:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	41 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	27°C /17°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	14 knots / , 360°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	0.25 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.19 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Departure Point:		Destination:	

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Serious	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Serious	Latitude, Longitude:	42.22387,-96.5997 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Brannen, John
Additional Participating Persons:	Jeremy Kraemer; FAA - LNK FSDO; Lincoln, NE
Investigation Class:	Class 4
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.