



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	Bronson, FL	Accident Number:	ERA22FA098
Date & Time:	December 30, 2021, 20:25 Local	Registration:	N442VB
Aircraft:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER COMPANY R44 II	Injuries:	4 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER COMPANY	Registration:	N442VB
Model/Series:	R44 II	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Designator Code:			

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	IMC	Condition of Light:	NightDark
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KCTY,38 ft msl	Observation Time:	20:35 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	27 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	22°C /21°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:		Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	6 knots / , 200°
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 600 ft AGL	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.06 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	NONE
Departure Point:	Bronson, FL	Destination:	Bell, FL

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:	3 Fatal	Aircraft Fire:	On-ground
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	4 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	29.419204,-82.646579 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Boggs, Daniel
Additional Participating Persons:	Mike Childers; Lycoming ; Atlanta, GA Thom Webster; Robinson Helicopters; Torrance, CA Ismael Reyes; FAA Tampa; Tampa, FL
Investigation Class:	Class 3
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