

NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD
Vehicle Recorder Division
Washington, D.C. 20594

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Digital Camera

Specialist's Factual Report
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1. EVENT SUMMARY

Location: Ancho, New Mexico
Date: September 16, 2017
Aircraft: Bell 206L-3
Registration: N213TV
Operator: WQRE TV-13
NTSB Number: CEN17FA355

2. GROUP

A group was not convened.

3. DETAILS OF INVESTIGATION

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) Vehicle Recorder Division received the following device:

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| Device Manufacturer/Model: | Go Pro Hero 3 |
| Serial Number: | 301CECD |

3.1. Device Description

The GoPro Hero 3 is a digital, point-of-view camera that can record high quality video and audio.

3.2. Device Condition

Upon arrival at the Vehicle Recorder Laboratory, an examination revealed the unit had sustained significant heat damage, as shown in figure 1. The 64 gigabyte (gb) microSD card was removed with some difficulty, and appeared intact, as shown in figure 2.



Figure 1. GoPro, as received.



Figure 2. GoPro with 64 gb microSD card removed.

3.3. Data Description

Multiple attempts to read the microSD card were unsuccessful. No data was recoverable.