

From: Anthony, Curtis (FAA) [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 1, 2019 11:44 AM
To: Scott Arnold [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Hawkins, TX, Ercoupe

According to the pilot's granddaughter, who was the passenger, she said they had just made the turn to approach the runway and the engine started to make noise (rough running sound) and the propeller slowed down. She said that he tried to fix the engine and then they both saw the tree and he tried to pull up, but it was not soon enough. That tree is about 40 feet tall, sits about 70 feet north of the approach centerline, and is about 550 feet from the end of the runway.

I did speak with the pilot, but he does not remember anything the morning of the accident except for hitting the tree.

From: Anthony, Curtis (FAA) [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, July 2, 2019 2:45 PM
To: Scott Arnold [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Hawkins, TX, Ercoupe

There was a visual inspection of the engine performed by another inspector and myself. We also verified operational integrity of the engine. We are not planning on going any further into the engine at this time.

As for your statement in the other email, "A partial loss of engine power for reasons undetermined." I would agree with that statement.

From: Anthony, Curtis (FAA) [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, July 8, 2019 6:10 AM
To: Scott Arnold [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Hawkins, TX, Ercoupe

She is 19.
