



NTSB RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Investigator name: Shaun Williams
Title: Senior Aviation Accident Investigator
Region: Central

Date: 8 June, 2020
Person Contacted: William Ely
NTSB Accident Number: CEN20CA222

Narrative:

On June 8, 2020, about 1930 central daylight time, a Piper PA-15 airplane, N4123H, sustained substantial damage during following a loss of directional control while landing at Lancaster Airport (KLNC), Lancaster, Texas. Mr. Ely, CFI, was acting as safety pilot on the accident airplane.

Mr. Ely stated that they were on their 5th or 6th trip around the traffic pattern when the accident occurred. He reported that during landing on Runway 13 with a newly certificated pilot getting familiar with the airplane, when just above taxi speed, the airplane began drifting right. The student used full left rudder and “stomped on the brake.” The airplane went to the left and sat up on the right wingtip. The right wing outboard 1/4 was crumpled and the right main gear tucked under the fuselage.

Mr. Ely stated that there were no mechanical malfunctions or anomalies that would have precluded normal operation.

END OF INTERVIEW