

RECORD OF CONVERSATION

Date: 16JUL2020

Time: 1500(PDT)

Person Contacted: Joseph L. Hood (Pilot)

Subject: Record of Conversation

In support of the accident involving N85BJ, the Investigator-in-charge spoke with the pilot via cellular phone, to clarify the facts, circumstances and conditions surrounding the event. The following is a brief synopsis of the conversation.

- The pilot reported that he is normally able to start and stop within 1000ft.
- The pilot has not established abort criteria for this airplane.
- No performance planning was accomplished prior to flight.
- The airplane poirposed during the takeoff roll after he attempted to ascend into ground effect.
- He applied too much forward stick than necessary which precipitated the poirpose.
- The airplane rolled to right, about 100ft to the right of the runway at about 3/4 down the runway.
- The airplane impacted vegetation and descend over the 1st bluff and then impacted terrain.
- The pilot reported that he did not have the performance power to takeoff under the atmospheric conditions.
- He reported that he did not have sufficient training in mountain flying to negotiate the takeoff as the airplane needed 12% more power.

The pilot did not receive training in this airplane from a CFI.

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