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On 10/13/12, Sgt G Wiltshire (PIC), and I (Ofcr T Valdes/TFO) had just completed a public event located at the Jackson Fairgrounds Park, 800 S Highland Jackson, TN 38301. Sgt Wiltshire prepared the aircraft for takeoff, (pre-flight check), as we had been monitoring radio calls for service regarding several shootings in the area of 33 Carver and had decided to respond. At about 1555 hrs, we took off from the fairgrounds and within several minutes were in the area of the shootings. As Sgt Wiltshire began to orbit the target area, I began to record/FLIR the scene at which time I felt what seemed to be a noticeable “loss of power”. As I glanced toward Sgt Wiltshire, I noticed the “RPM” light had begun to flash, as he then advised me we were going to attempt an emergency landing. Sgt Wiltshire then began to look for a safe location to conduct the landing, as he did relay and acknowledge all information to me. I then looked to the controls panel and switched the radio communications channel from “ICS” to channel “one”, (JPD police band) in order to advise police dispatch of our situation, as I did not look at the other instruments on the panel. I then looked out of the chin bubble and noticed a subject on a riding lawn mower in our landing path. Sgt Wiltshire noticed the same, and advised me he was going to have to land to the right of the subject, to avoid contact with him. At that time we impacted the ground as the aircraft came to rest. Sgt Wiltshire and I were then assisted out of the aircraft by police officers on scene.