



MEMORANDUM OF RECORD

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Pilot: Willard Hardy

Place: Lincolnville, ME

Interview Date: 8/1/2020

Subject: Accident event
correspondence

In a telephone conversation with Mr. Willard Hardy, he was on a local flight with his friend on the day of the accident. He departed a private airstrip and flew to another airport where he conducted a few landings. While on approach back to the departure airport, he that he was a little too fast on the approach. He said the runway surface was soft turf and when he landed the airplane bounced once before colliding on the runway surface. He said both main landing gear collapsed and the airplane skidded to a stop. He and his passenger exited the airplane and was uninjured. He reviewed the damaged and noted that the fuselage under the cockpit was buckled. He said that there were no preaccident mechanical failures or malfunctions with the airplane. He said needed to practice more soft field landings before taking up passengers.