

NTSB ERA21FA195

N53DE, Bell 429

Eden, NC

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Photo Array



Photo 1: Main wreckage up against tree. Bottom of helicopter facing camera.



Photo 2: Main wreckage resting up against tree. Main rotor head and blades facing camera.



Photo 3: Tail rotor assembly wreckage at its final resting location.



Photo 4: Closeup view of main rotor blade assembly resting up against tree.



Photo 6: Closeup view of tail rotor blades.



Photo 7: Tail boom on left and fuselage wreckage on right. Note tail rotor driveshaft sticking out of wreckage.



Photo 8: Tail boom and tail rotor assembly after recovery.



Photo 9: Tail boom and stabilizer after recovery.



Photo 10: All four main rotor blades after recovery. (Courtesy of Bell)



Photo 10: Damaged upper tail boom section discovered away from main wreckage. Note, this section is installed on the upper surface of the tail boom.



Photo 11: Damaged upper tail boom section/slice placed on approximate location of exemplar helicopter. Note: Wreckage piece located just above the “N” in line with the leading edge of the stabilizer.