



RECORD OF CONVERSATION

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Interview Date/Time: 30SEP2021@1443PDT
Person Contacted: Donald Bacon (FAA Inspector-in-charge)
NTSB Accident Number: WPR21LA351
Aircraft Registration Number: N488VG

Interview Summary:

Inspector Bacon examined the airplane after the accident. He provided the NTSB Investigator-in-charge with photographs of the accident airplane and the throttle control assembly. The post-accident examination of the throttle control assembly revealed that the throttle knob, the attached cable, retaining nut and screw were all missing from the throttle control pivot arm. The aforementioned items were not recovered during the examination, and the inspector surmised that the items may have been lost during the airplane recovery. The castellated nut which secured the pivot arm to the cross-member was too tight. The pivot arm connects the throttle knob cable and the carburetor cable binding. The excessively tight castellated nut prevented the return spring from allowing the carburetor cable from opening to full throttle when the throttle control cable came loose.

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