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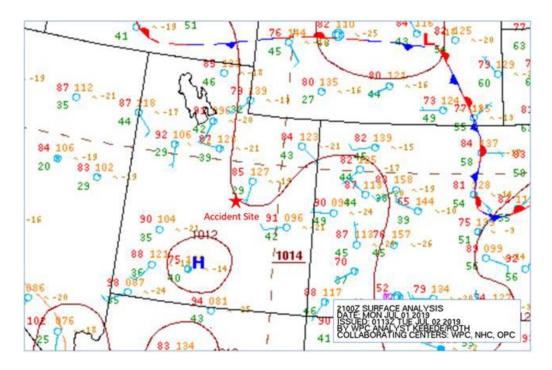
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## Weather conditions over the Ephraim, UT area on July 1, 2019

**Synoptic Conditions** – The northwest section of the NWS Surface Analysis Chart centered over Utah for 1500 MDT is included below with the approximate accident site noted by a red star. The chart depicted a dissipating stationary front extending west to east over southern Idaho and Wyoming. A high pressure system at 1014-hectopascals (hPa) was located over southern Utah immediately south of the accident site with a general high pressure ridge extending over the state. The station models surrounding the accident site depicted clear skies, light winds of 5 knots, with temperatures in the upper 80's to low 90's degrees Fahrenheit (F).



A review of the NWS National Composite Radar Mosaic indicated no significant echoes associated with precipitation over the area surrounding the period.

**Observations** – The closest weather reporting location to the accident site was from Manti-Ephraim Airport (K41U), Manti, Utah, located approximately 6 miles southwest of the accident site at an elevation of 5,516 ft. The airport had an AWOS and reported the following conditions surrounding the period:

METAR K41U 012035Z AUTO 19011KT 10SM CLR 31/00 A3012 RMK AO1 T03081002

METAR K41U 012055Z AUTO 18009G14KT 10SM CLR 30/00 A3011 RMK A01 T03040001

METAR K41U 012115Z AUTO 15003KT 10SM CLR 30/00 A3010 RMK AO1 T03010000

METAR K41U 012135Z AUTO 18008KT 150V210 10SM CLR 31/02 A3010 RMK AO1 T03100017

METAR K41U 012155Z AUTO 20009KT 10SM CLR 31/02 A3008 RMK AO1 T03100016

METAR K41U 012215Z AUTO 19008KT 10SM CLR 31/02 A3008 RMK AO1 T03140021

METAR K41U 012235Z AUTO 20003KT 10SM CLR 31/01 A3007 RMK AO1 T03120013

METAR K41U 012255Z AUTO 24005KT 10SM CLR 31/02 A3006 RMK AO1 T03110021

<u>Carbon County Regional Airport/Buck Davis Field (KPUC)</u>, <u>Price</u>, <u>Utah</u>, was located approximately 38 miles east-northeast of the accident site on the other side of the mountain range at an elevation of 5,958 ft also had an ASOS and reported the following conditions:

METAR KPUC 011853Z AUTO 24007KT 10SM CLR 27/03 A3019 RMK AO2 SLP144 T02720028

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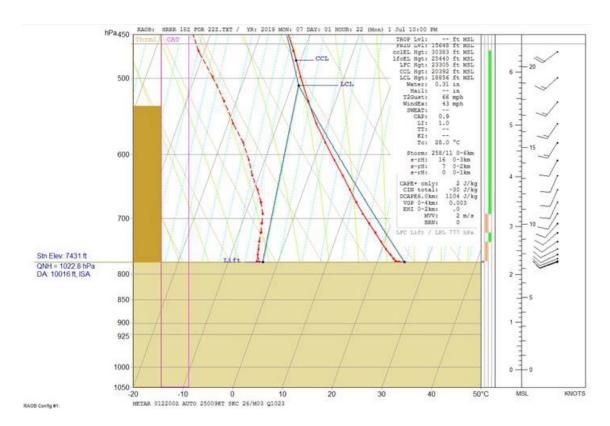
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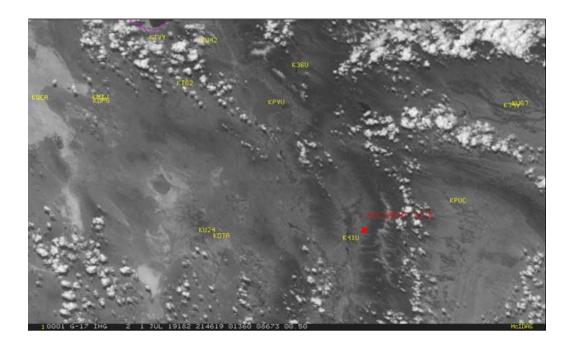
**Sounding** – A High Resolution Rapid Refresh (HRRR) numerical model sounding was obtained from the NOAA Air Resource Laboratory archive data over the approximate accident site at 1600 MDT and was plotted on a Skew T Log P diagram. The numerical model depicted an elevation of 7,431 ft, a surface temperature of 25.5° C (78° F), a dew point temperature of -3.0° C (27° F), a relative humidity of 15%, with a density elevation of approximately 10,016 ft. The sounding indicated support for strong thermal activity from the surface through 17,500 ft. The lifted condensation level (LCL) was identified at 11,425 ft agl (18,856 ft msl) with the convective condensation level above that at 12,961 ft agl. The precipitable water content was 0.31 inches. The sounding was too dry for cloud formation and none were indicated. The lifted index (LI) was 1.0 and indicated a conditional unstable atmosphere.



The wind profile indicated a surface wind from the southwest at 9 knots with winds backing to the south-southwest through 15,000 ft and then slowly veering to the southwest with height. The mean 0 to 6 kilometer or 18,000 ft wind was from 230° at 15 knots, and the maximum wind was identified at 40,000 ft from 220° at 53 knots. The profile did not indicate any significant turbulence, icing, or mountain wave activity over the area.

Height	Pres	T	Td	RH	DD/FF	CAT	LLWS	Icing - Type	Wave/xWTurb
(ft-MSL)	(hPa)	(C)	(C)	(%)	(deg / kts)	(FAA)		(AFGWC method)	nm fpm max
7431	777	25.5	-3.0	15	249/9				
7468	776	24.3	-3.8	15	248/9		LIGHT		
7505	775	23.6	-4.3	15	246/10				
7653	771	23.1	-4.2	16	246/10				
7950	763	22.1	-4.6	16	242/10				
8324	753	20.8	-4.8	17	240/10				
8816	740	19.3	-5.2	19	234 / 10				
9430	724	17.5	-5.5	20	227/9				
10053	708	15.6	-6.0	22	219/9				
10686	692	13.6	-6.5	24	210/9				
11452	673	11.5	-7.7	25	204/9				
12276	653	9.3	-9.3	26	202/10				3.21 131 LIGHT
13204	631	6.8	-11.4	26	202 / 11				3.93 251 LIGHT
14199	608	4.0	-13.2	27	206/12				
15312	583	0.9	-15.6	28	211/14				

**Satellite** – the GOES-17 visible satellite image for 1546 MDT (2146Z) is included below and depicted clear skies over the accident site, with fair weather cumulus clouds on the eastern slopes of the mountain range immediately east of the accident site.



**Pilot Reports** – only a single pilot report or PIREP over the region during the period:

SLC UA /OV FFU 270010/TM 2139/FL160/TP B757/TB MOD TURBC 160/RM DURD DETA5 ARR KSLC

Winds Aloft Forecast (FD) – winds current over the region during the period were as follows.

WINDS ALOFT FORECAST

DATA BASED ON 011800Z

VALID 020000Z FOR USE 2000-0300Z. TEMPS NEG ABV 24000

FT 3000 6000 9000 12000 18000 24000 30000

SLC 9900 9900+17 2211+09 2325-08 2424-21 253338

BCE 2610+11 2411-07 2417-20 243036

**Inflight Weather Advisories** – None. No SIGMETs, Convective SIGMETs, AIRMETs, or CWA's over the area during the period.

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