

## **CASE FINDINGS**

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An FAA Inspector responded to the accident site and made the following observations:

- The airplane landing on a runway 27, which is a 2,500 ft long grass strip.
- The prevailing winds were 220° at 10 knots according at a 1335 observation from KHYX.
- The pilot and his 3 passengers did not sustain any injuries.
- Evidence by skid marks in the grass, it appeared the airplane initially touched down on the right main landing gear approximately 360-ft down the runway.
- The left main landing gear and nose landing gear touched down 60 ft later (420 ft down)
- Initial landing direction appeared to be heading towards the right edge of the runway.
- At the 500 ft mark, there were signatures consistent with skidding or hard braking and the airplane's direction changed towards the left.
- Skid marks continued sideways through 800-ft down the runway.
- The airplane departed the side of the runway and came to rest about 900-ft down the runway and 24-ft left of the runway in a cornfield.
- The left main landing gear was collapsed.
- The left wing had contacted the ground resulting in substantial damage to the left wing.

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