



# Aviation Investigation Final Report

<b>Location:</b>	CROOKSTON, Minnesota	<b>Accident Number:</b>	CHI83LA332
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	July 18, 1983, 11:00 Local	<b>Registration:</b>	N92037
<b>Aircraft:</b>	CESSNA 188B	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	1 None
<b>Flight Conducted Under:</b>	Part 91: General aviation - Aerial application		

## Analysis

THE ACFT COLLIDED WITH A BARLEY CROP DURING A FORCED LANDING ON A NARROW DIRT ROAD. THE ACFT HAD LOST POWER AFTER TAKEOFF FOR A CALIBRATION SPRAY RUN. THE PILOT STATED HE TOOK OFF WITH ABOUT 10 GALLONS OF FUEL (1/8 TANK) AND DID NOT VISUALLY CHECK THE FUEL QUATITY BEFORE TAKEOFF.

## Probable Cause and Findings

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

### Findings

Occurrence #1: LOSS OF ENGINE POWER(TOTAL) - NONMECHANICAL  
Phase of Operation: CLIMB - TO CRUISE

#### Findings

1. (F) FLUID,FUEL - EXHAUSTION
2. (C) AIRCRAFT PREFLIGHT - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND
3. (C) FUEL SUPPLY - INADEQUATE - PILOT IN COMMAND
4. (C) REFUELING - NOT PERFORMED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING  
Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Occurrence #3: ON GROUND/WATER ENCOUNTER WITH TERRAIN/WATER  
Phase of Operation: LANDING - ROLL

Findings

5. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - CROP
6. (C) GROUND LOOP/SWERVE - UNCONTROLLED - PILOT IN COMMAND

## Factual Information

### Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Commercial; Flight instructor	<b>Age:</b>	25, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Center
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>		<b>Restraint Used:</b>	
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	Airplane	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	No
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	Airplane single-engine	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Unknown Valid Medical—no waivers/lim.	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	January 31, 1983
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>	Yes	<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	4000 hours (Total, all aircraft), 50 hours (Total, this make and model), 4000 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 400 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

### Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	CESSNA	<b>Registration:</b>	N92037
<b>Model/Series:</b>	188B 188B	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Airplane
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>		<b>Amateur Built:</b>	
<b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>	Restricted (Special)	<b>Serial Number:</b>	1880259
<b>Landing Gear Type:</b>	Tricycle	<b>Seats:</b>	1
<b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b>	June 8, 1983 100 hour	<b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>	3300 lbs
<b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>	64 Hrs	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Airframe Total Time:</b>	855 Hrs	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	CONTINENTAL
<b>ELT:</b>	Not installed	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	IO-520D
<b>Registered Owner:</b>	DARREL A. HODGE	<b>Rated Power:</b>	300 Horsepower
<b>Operator:</b>		<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	None
<b>Operator Does Business As:</b>		<b>Operator Designator Code:</b>	

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

<b>Conditions at Accident Site:</b>	Visual (VMC)	<b>Condition of Light:</b>	Day
<b>Observation Facility, Elevation:</b>		<b>Distance from Accident Site:</b>	
<b>Observation Time:</b>		<b>Direction from Accident Site:</b>	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Clear	<b>Visibility</b>	20 miles
<b>Lowest Ceiling:</b>	None	<b>Visibility (RVR):</b>	
<b>Wind Speed/Gusts:</b>	40 knots / 60 knots	<b>Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:</b>	/
<b>Wind Direction:</b>	310°	<b>Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:</b>	/
<b>Altimeter Setting:</b>		<b>Temperature/Dew Point:</b>	29°C
<b>Precipitation and Obscuration:</b>	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
<b>Departure Point:</b>		<b>Type of Flight Plan Filed:</b>	None
<b>Destination:</b>		<b>Type of Clearance:</b>	None
<b>Departure Time:</b>	10:50 Local	<b>Type of Airspace:</b>	Class G

## Airport Information

<b>Airport:</b>	CROOKSTON, MUNICIPAL CKN	<b>Runway Surface Type:</b>	Asphalt
<b>Airport Elevation:</b>	899 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
<b>Runway Used:</b>	31	<b>IFR Approach:</b>	None
<b>Runway Length/Width:</b>	3500 ft / 75 ft	<b>VFR Approach/Landing:</b>	Forced landing

## Wreckage and Impact Information

<b>Crew Injuries:</b>	1 None	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Passenger Injuries:</b>		<b>Aircraft Fire:</b>	None
<b>Ground Injuries:</b>	N/A	<b>Aircraft Explosion:</b>	None
<b>Total Injuries:</b>	1 None	<b>Latitude, Longitude:</b>	47.769306,-96.599845(est)

## Administrative Information

**Investigator In Charge (IIC):** Kleckner, Pamela

**Additional Participating Persons:**

**Original Publish Date:**

**Last Revision Date:**

**Investigation Class:** [Class](#)

**Note:**

**Investigation Docket:** <https://data.nts.gov/Docket?ProjectID=12277>

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