



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	San Diego, CA	Accident Number:	WPR24FA037
Date & Time:	November 15, 2023, 21:20 Local	Registration:	N1400
Aircraft:	Cessna P210N	Injuries:	1 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

On November 15, 2023, about 2120 Pacific standard time, a Cessna P210N airplane, N1400, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near San Diego, California. The pilot was fatally injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal flight.

The airline transport pilot had filed an instrument flight rules flight plan from Buchanan Field Airport (CCR), Concord, California, with a destination of French Valley Airport (F70), Murrieta, California (see figure 1). The airplane departed CCR about 1734 and arrived at F70 about 2030. Due to poor weather conditions at F70 the pilot diverted to Mc Clellan-Palomar Airport (CRQ), Carlsbad, California. There was an ILS outage at CRQ, so the pilot elected to divert to Montgomery-Gibbs Executive Airport (MYF), San Diego, California, to fly the ILS approach.

The pilot was cleared for the ILS approach at MYF. Subsequently, the pilot reported that he was on a missed approach because he could not see the runway and requested another approach. He also advised ATC that he was running low on fuel. The airplane then maneuvered northwest of the airport, where the pilot reported that he was out of fuel before radar and communication contact were lost.

A search by law enforcement located the airplane wreckage early the following morning on a hillside in a residential area about 6 miles northwest of MYF. All major structural components of the airplane were located within the main wreckage site.

The airplane wreckage was recovered to a secure location for further examination.

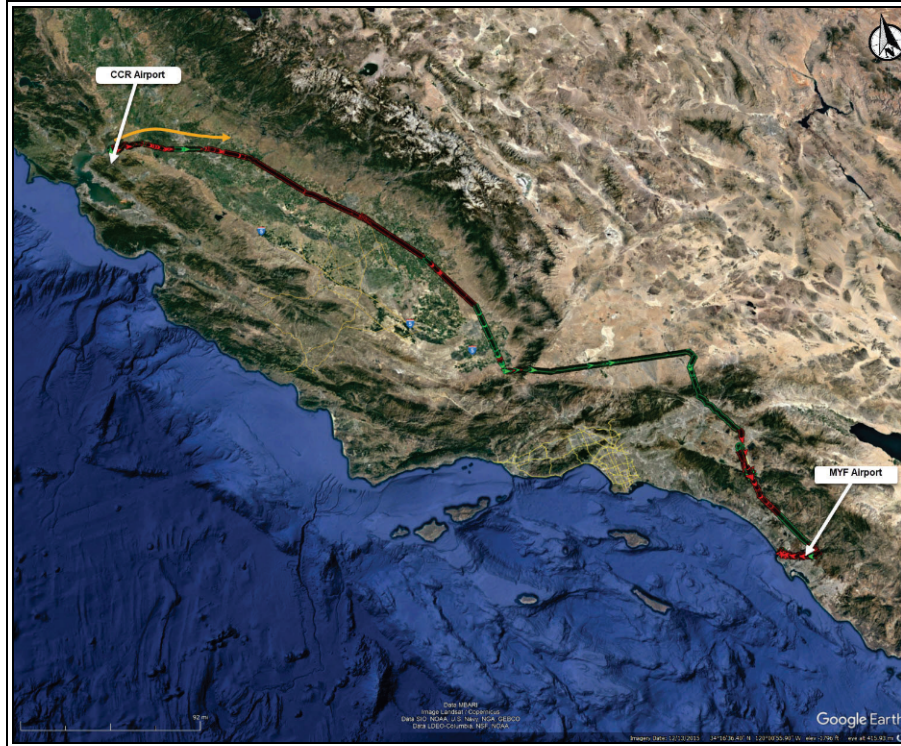


Figure 1: Route of flight

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Cessna	Registration:	N1400
Model/Series:	P210N	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Operator Designator Code:

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:		Condition of Light:	Night
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KNKX, 478 ft msl	Observation Time:	21:38 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	5 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	14°C / 14°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:		Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	4 knots / , 80°
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 1100 ft AGL	Visibility:	4 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.01 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	
Departure Point:	Concord, CA (CCR)	Destination:	Murietta, CA (F70)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	32.868472,-117.23909 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Nixon, Albert
Additional Participating Persons:	Oded Moore; FAA; San Diego, CA Casey Love; Textron Aviation; Wichita, KS
Investigation Class:	Class 3
Note:	