



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

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| Location: | Larkspur, CO | Accident Number: | CEN24LA226 |
| Date & Time: | June 16, 2024, 07:41 Local | Registration: | N968GV |
| Aircraft: | COSTRUZIONI AERONAUTICHE TECNA P2006T | Injuries: | 2 Serious |
| Flight Conducted Under: | Part 91: General aviation - Instructional | | |

On June 16, 2024, about 0741 mountain daylight time, a Tecnam P2006T airplane, N968GV, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Larkspur, Colorado. The flight instructor and pilot receiving instruction were seriously injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 instructional flight.

A statement from the pilot receiving instruction, and the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Automatic Dependent Surveillance – Broadcast (ADS-B) data, indicated that they departed Centennial Airport (APA), Englewood, Colorado, about 0617 and completed five full stop landings as part of the flight lesson. After the fifth landing, they departed to the southwest and continued the lesson near Perry Park Airport (CO93), Larkspur, Colorado, where they intended to practice one engine inoperative emergency procedures.

The pilots shut down the left engine, then struggled to restart the engine. After the second attempt the engine restarted, and they decided to return to the departure airport. Shortly thereafter, they noted that the airplane required additional right rudder to maintain directional control and the engine coolant levels and engine RPM decreased. The flight instructor took control of the airplane and proceeded toward CO93, then feathered the left propeller. They were not sure if the propeller fully feathered. The airplane continued to descend and the pilots decided that they could not reach CO93 so they setup for a forced landing on Interstate 25. During the landing, the left wing struck a road sign, then the airplane exited the interstate and impacted a swampy area.

Online videos of the accident flight showed the airplane descended over I-25 with the right propeller rotating and the left propeller not rotating. The left wing struck a road sign, veered left, and climbed over the oncoming traffic. The end of the accident sequence was not captured on the video.

The airplane came to rest inverted in a swampy area and sustained substantial damage. Multiple avionics devices were removed and sent to the National Transportation Safety Board Vehicle Recorder Laboratory for data extraction. The airplane was retained for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

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| Aircraft Make: | COSTRUZIONI AERONAUTICHE TECNA | Registration: | N968GV |
| Model/Series: | P2006T | Aircraft Category: | Airplane |
| Amateur Built: | | | |
| Operator: | Aspen Flying Club | Operating Certificate(s) Held: | None |
| Operator Designator Code: | | | |

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

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| Conditions at Accident Site: | VMC | Condition of Light: | Day |
| Observation Facility, Elevation: | KAPA | Observation Time: | 07:53 Local |
| Distance from Accident Site: | 18 Nautical Miles | Temperature/Dew Point: | 24°C /6°C |
| Lowest Cloud Condition: | Few / 13000 ft AGL | Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction: | |
| Lowest Ceiling: | None | Visibility: | |
| Altimeter Setting: | 29.9 inches Hg | Type of Flight Plan Filed: | NONE |
| Departure Point: | Centennial, CO (KAPA) | Destination: | Centennial, CO (KAPA) |

Wreckage and Impact Information

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| Crew Injuries: | 2 Serious | Aircraft Damage: | Substantial |
| Passenger Injuries: | N/A | Aircraft Fire: | None |
| Ground Injuries: | N/A | Aircraft Explosion: | None |
| Total Injuries: | 2 Serious | Latitude, Longitude: | 39.255213,-104.88791 |

Administrative Information

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| Investigator In Charge (IIC): | Lindberg, Joshua |
| Additional Participating Persons: | Christopher Avdem; FAA; Denver, CO Jordan Paskevich; Rotech Flight Safety Giulio Rosati; ANSV |
| Investigation Class: | Class 3 |
| Note: | The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident. |

