

Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location: Fayetteville, AR **Accident Number:** CEN25LA162

Date & Time:April 22, 2025, 13:25 LocalRegistration:N4795C

Aircraft: Cessna T210N Injuries: 3 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

On April 22, 2025, about 13:25 central daylight time a Cessna T210N, N4795C was involved in an accident near Fayetteville, Arkansas. The pilot and two passengers were not injured. The flight was operated under the provisions of Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 as a personal flight.

According to the pilot, he departed Drake Field Airport (FYV) in Fayetteville, Arkansas. About 14 nm away from the airport, the alternator light came on and smoke started to come out from under the instrument panel. The pilot diverted back to FYV. About 5 nm from FVY, oil started to spray onto the windshield and fire was coming out from underneath the cowling. The engine seized, and the propeller stopped. The pilot glided the airplane back to FVY and landed; however, the landing gear collapsed upon runway contact, and the airplane slid off the runway. The fuselage and horizontal stabilizer were substantially damaged.

The airplane was retained for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

| Aircraft Make: | Cessna | Registration: | N4795C |
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| Model/Series: | T210N | Aircraft Category: | Airplane |
| Amateur Built: | | | |
| Operator: | SOUTH DELTA AVIATION INC | Operating Certificate(s) Held: | None |
| Operator Designator Code: | | | |

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

| Conditions at Accident Site: | VMC | Condition of Light: | Day |
|----------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Observation Facility, Elevation: | KFYV,1237 ft msl | Observation Time: | 13:53 Local |
| Distance from Accident Site: | 0 Nautical Miles | Temperature/Dew Point: | 26°C /6°C |
| Lowest Cloud Condition: | Clear | Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction: | 7 knots / None, 180° |
| Lowest Ceiling: | None | Visibility: | 10 miles |
| Altimeter Setting: | 30.03 inches Hg | Type of Flight Plan Filed: | NONE |
| Departure Point: | Fayetteville, AR | Destination: | Helena, AR (HEE) |

Wreckage and Impact Information

| Crew Injuries: | 1 None | Aircraft Damage: | Substantial |
|---------------------|--------|----------------------|----------------------|
| Passenger Injuries: | 2 None | Aircraft Fire: | In-flight |
| Ground Injuries: | N/A | Aircraft Explosion: | None |
| Total Injuries: | 3 None | Latitude, Longitude: | 36.005096,-94.170063 |

Administrative Information

| Investigator In Charge (IIC): | Abraham, Laura |
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| Additional Participating Persons: | Timothy Hughes; FAA; AR |
| Investigation Class: | Class 3 |
| Note: | The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident. |

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