

Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location:	SAN FRANCISCO, C	alifornia	Accident Number:	LAX83LA103
Date & Time:	February 15, 1983, ²	12:00 Local	Registration:	N704CC
Aircraft:	BEECH	95-55	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Defining Event:			Injuries:	3 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General avi	ation - Personal		

Analysis

THE PILOT WAS PREPARING TO TAXI WHEN HE NOTICED A LOOSE FUEL CAP ON THE ACFT'S LEFT WING. HE SET THE PARKING BRAKE, EXITED THE ACFT WITH BOTH ENGINES OPERATING, PLACED A CHOCK ON THE RIGHT WHEEL AND WAS SECURING THE LOOSE FUEL CAP WHEN THE ACFT STARTED TO MOVE. HE TRIED TO HOLD THE ACFT BY THE WING BUT IT CONTINUED TO TURN AND STRUCK A PARKED COMMANDER 690C, N155WP. THE PILOT STATED THAT PRIOR TO EXITING THE COCKPIT HE ASKED THE FRONT SEAT PASSENGER TO HOLD THE BRAKES IN CASE THE ACFT MOVED. THE PASSENGER WAS FAMILIAR WITH THE BRAKES. THE PASSENGERS ATTEMPTS TO STOP THE ACFT WERE NOT SUCCESSFUL. POST ACCIDENT EXAMINATION DISCLOSED THAT THE PARKING BRAKE VALVE DID NOT HOLD PRESSURE AND THE LEFT BRAKE LININGS WERE AT MINIMUM THICKNESS.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: AIRFRAME/COMPONENT/SYSTEM FAILURE/MALFUNCTION Phase of Operation: STANDING - ENGINE(S) OPERATING

Findings

1. (C) LANDING GEAR, EMERGENCY BRAKE SYSTEM - INOPERATIVE 2. (C) LANDING GEAR, NORMAL BRAKE SYSTEM - WORN

Occurrence #2: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT Phase of Operation: TAXI

Findings

- 3. (F) FUEL SYSTEM, CAP LOOSE
- 4. (F) AIRCRAFT PRÉFLIGHT INADEQUATE PILOT IN COMMAND
- 5. (C) AIRCRAFT UNATTENDED/ENGINE(S) RUNNING INTENTIONAL PILOT IN COMMAND

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Airline transport	Age:	61,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Unknown
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):		Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	May 15, 1982
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	15312 hours (Total, all aircraft), 400 days, all aircraft)	hours (Total, this make and model), 1	25 hours (Last 90

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BEECH	Registration:	N704CC
Model/Series:	95-55 95-55	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	TC 678
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	April 8, 1982 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4880 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	50 Hrs	Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:		Engine Model/Series:	10-470-L
Registered Owner:	DAVID MORRIS	Rated Power:	260 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	SFO	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	11:55 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 8000 ft AGL	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 14000 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	15 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	180°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	12°C / 8°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:		Type of Flight Plan Filed:	IFR
Destination:	ROSENBERG , OR (R8G)	Type of Clearance:	IFR
Departure Time:	00:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	SAN FRANCISCO SFO	Runway Surface Type:	Concrete
Airport Elevation:		Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	2 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	3 None	Latitude, Longitude:	37.609207,-122.380325(est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Llorente, A.
Additional Participating Persons:	
Original Publish Date:	
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=23615

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