



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: EGEGIK, Alaska Accident Number: ANC85LA123

Date & Time: July 7, 1985, 21:10 Local Registration: N8700Z

Aircraft: CESSNA 185F Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation

### **Analysis**

ENGINE FAILED AT 200 FT AGL, DUE TO FUEL STARVATION. PLT ATTEMPTED TO REACH LAKE, & CRASHED IN TREES AT EDGE OF LAKE.

### **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: MANEUVERING

#### **Findings**

1. (F) FLUID, FUEL - EXHAUSTION

- 2. (C) FUEL CONSUMPTION CALCULATIONS INACCURATE PILOT IN COMMAND
- 3. (F) AIRCRAFT MANUALS, PERFORMANCE INFORMATION INADEQUATE

Occurrence #2: FORCED LANDING

Phase of Operation: DESCENT - EMERGENCY

#### **Findings**

4. (F) WEATHER CONDITION - LOW CEILING

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Occurrence #3: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings 5. (F) OBJECT - TREE(S)

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# **Factual Information**

### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	32,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Single-engine sea	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	None	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 13, 1985
Occupational Pilot:	Yes	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	2980 hours (Total, all aircraft), 430 hours (Total, this make and model), 2800 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 190 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 10 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

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## **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N8700Z
Model/Series:	185F 185F	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	18502896
Landing Gear Type:	Amphibian; Float	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	March 20, 1985 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	3265 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	3567 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-520-D
Registered Owner:	DAN LEE OLDER	Rated Power:	300 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:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	21:10 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Unknown / 300 ft AGL	Visibility	5 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Overcast / 300 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	30 knots / 35 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	180°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	16°C / -18°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	N/A - None - Fog		
Departure Point:	NAKNEK , AK (5NK)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	18:10 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class G

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## **Airport Information**

Airport:		Runway Surface Type:	
Airport Elevation:	0 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Vegetation
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	0 ft / 0 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Forced landing

## Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	58.199958,-157.409698(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Daw, Roy

Additional Participating Persons:

Original Publish Date:

Last Revision Date:

Investigation Class: Class

Note:

Investigation Docket: https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=4522

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