



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: DRY BAY, Alaska Accident Number: SEA82DA107

Date & Time: June 15, 1982, 17:00 Local Registration: N1952U

Aircraft: CESSNA U206 Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

### **Analysis**

THE PILOT REPORTED THAT HE ARRIVED IN MARGINAL VFR WEATHER CONDITIONS WITH RAIN AND VARIABLE WINDS GUSTING TO 12 KNOTS. HE STATED THAT THE WINDSOCK FAVORED A LANDING TO THE EAST, DOWNHILL, TO A WET GRASS RUNWAY. HE REPORTED THAT DURING A SHORT FIELD APPROACH, HE ENCOUNTERED A GUST FROM THE SOUTH WHILE HIS VISION WAS OBSCURED BY THE RAIN. SUBSEQUENTLY, HE TOUCHED DOWN SHORT OF THE RUNWAY IN BRUSH.

## **Probable Cause and Findings**

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

#### **Findings**

Occurrence #1: UNDERSHOOT

Phase of Operation: APPROACH - VFR PATTERN - FINAL APPROACH

#### **Findings**

- 1. (F) WEATHER CONDITION RAIN
- 2. (F) WEATHER CONDITION GUSTS
- 3. (F) WEATHER CONDITION UNFAVORABLE WIND
- 4. (C) DISTANCE MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 5. (C) AIRSPEED MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND
- 6. (C) ALTITUDE MISJUDGED PILOT IN COMMAND

#### 7. (F) VISUAL/AURAL DETECTION - PILOT IN COMMAND

Occurrence #2: IN FLIGHT COLLISION WITH TERRAIN/WATER

Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

Findings 8. (F) TERRAIN CONDITION - HIGH VEGETATION

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# **Factual Information**

#### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	69.Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Unknown
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	J J	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	March 25, 1981
Occupational Pilot:	UNK	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	3070 hours (Total, all aircraft), 95 hours (Total, this make and model), 2900 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 65 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

# **Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information**

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N1952U
Model/Series:	U206 U206	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	U20602305
Landing Gear Type:	Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	3600 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	55 Hrs	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	1504 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed	Engine Model/Series:	IO-520-F
Registered Owner:	WARD W CROW	Rated Power:	285 Horsepower
Operator:	WARD W CROW	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

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# Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:		Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:		Direction from Accident Site:	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Unknown	Visibility	5 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	0°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	55°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	Heavy - None - Rain		
Departure Point:	YAKUTAT YAK , AK	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	WINONA , MS (5A6)	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	16:00 Local	Type of Airspace:	

# **Airport Information**

Airport:	ARNIE ISREALSON	Runway Surface Type:	Grass/turf
Airport Elevation:	0 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Wet
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	
Runway Length/Width:	1300 ft / 0 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic pattern

# 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:	

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC):

Additional Participating

Persons:

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**Last Revision Date:** 

Investigation Class: Class

Note:

Investigation Docket: <a href="https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=70506">https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=70506</a>

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