

Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location: Hornell, NY **Accident Number**: WPR25FA233

Date & Time: August 1, 2025, 18:59 Local Registration: N6125B

Aircraft: Cessna 152 Injuries: 1 Fatal

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Unknown

On August 1, 2025, about 1859 eastern daylight time, a Cessna 152, N6125B was destroyed when it was involved in an accident near Hornell, New York. The student pilot was fatally injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal flight.

A review of ADS-B flight track data showed the airplane departed Ledgedale Airpark (7G0), Brockport, New York, on a southerly heading. The airplane entered an area of limited ADS-B coverage about 40 nm south of the departure airport and 12 nm north of the accident site in Hornell, New York.

A witness, located east of the accident site, provided video footage of the airplane circling the accident area. During the recording, the airplane entered a descending right turn and impacted terrain. Throughout the recorded video, the sound of the engine could be heard. Additional witnesses provided similar accounts of the airplane circling the area at low altitude, with the engine operating before the accident.

The accident site was located in an area of densely wooded terrain, on the edge of an embankment at an elevation of 1,287 ft mean sea level (msl). The first identified point of impact with trees was with a group of trees about 120 ft tall. The wreckage debris path extended from the initial impact point about 250 ft on a magnetic heading of about 250°. Throughout the debris path, both left and right wings, empennage were observed. The airplane came to rest on its right side between two trees on a heading of about 210° magnetic. All primary flight control surfaces were accounted for at the accident site.

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Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:CessnaRegistration:N6125BModel/Series:152Aircraft Category:Airplane

Amateur Built:

Operator: BV ROAD AND SITE LLC Operating Certificate(s) None

Held:

Operator Designator Code:

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:		Condition of Light:	
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KDSV,662 ft msl	Observation Time:	18:54 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	17 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	23°C /8°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	8 knots / None, 10°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.29 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	
Departure Point:	Brockport, NY (7G0)	Destination:	

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	42.28987,-77.63873

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC): Johnson, Scott

Additional Participating Persons: Robert Pickard; Federal Aviation Administration; Rochester, NY

Ernest Hall; Textron Aviation; Wichita, KS Russel Gait; Lycoming; Williamsport, PA

Investigation Class: Class 3

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