



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Data Summary

Location:	PATTERSON, LA	Accident Number:	FTW84LA041
Date & Time:	11/01/1983, 1400 CST	Registration:	N2727K
Aircraft:	CESSNA 180K	Injuries:	2 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter - Non-scheduled		

Analysis

AFTER LANDING, THE PLT WAS STEP TAXIING THE FLOAT PLANE AROUND A SLIGHT CURVE IN THE CANAL. AS THE ACFT WENT AROUND THE CURVE, THE SUN WAS IN THE PLT'S EYES & HE DID NOT SEE A PILING UNTIL IT WAS DIRECTLY AHEAD. HE TOOK EVASIVE ACTION, BUT THE LEFT WING STRUCK THE PILING.

Probable Cause

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: ON GROUND/WATER COLLISION WITH OBJECT
Phase of Operation: TAXI - FROM LANDING

Findings

1. (F) LIGHT CONDITION - SUNGLARE
2. VISUAL LOOKOUT - REDUCED
3. (C) AIRSPEED - EXCESSIVE - PILOT IN COMMAND
4. (C) LACK OF FAMILIARITY WITH GEOGRAPHIC AREA - PILOT IN COMMAND
5. (F) OBJECT - UTILITY POLE
6. (C) CLEARANCE - NOT MAINTAINED - PILOT IN COMMAND

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Commercial	Age:	56
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land; Single-engine Sea	Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane
Other Aircraft Rating(s):		Instructor Rating(s):	
Flight Time:			

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N2727K
Model/Series:	180K 180K	Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Operator:	SHANNON AIRCRAFT INC.	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
Operating Certificate(s) Held:	On-demand Air Taxi (135)	Engine Model/Series:	O-470-U
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Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	, 0 ft msl	Weather Information Source:	Pilot
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	/ ,
Temperature:		Visibility	10 Miles
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	NEW IBERIA, LA	Destination:	

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
Latitude, Longitude:			

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	ARMOND V EDWARDS	Adopted Date:	
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