



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Preliminary Report

Location:	Baker, NV	Accident Number:	WPR21LA358
Date & Time:	September 11, 2021, 13:00 Local	Registration:	N8983M
Aircraft:	Beech 35-B33	Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Personal		

On September 11, 2021, about 1300 Pacific daylight time, a Beech BE35-B33, N8983M, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Baker, Nevada. The pilot was not injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 personal flight.

The pilot reported that before the flight, his mechanic replaced the exhaust push rod for the No. 1 cylinder. The engine was ground run at various power settings with no anomalies noted. The mechanic subsequently deemed the airplane safe to fly back to the pilot's home airport.

The pilot reported that he departed from the dirt runway, and during the initial climb, he retracted the landing gear and the engine lost total power. The pilot stated that he was able to extend the landing gear and make a forced landing to the open desert terrain. During the landing roll, the nose landing gear and right main landing gear collapsed. The airplane sustained substantial damage to the fuselage and right wing.

The airplane was recovered for further examination.

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Beech	Registration:	N8983M
Model/Series:	35-B33	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	On file	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Designator Code:			

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KELY,6262 ft msl	Observation Time:	12:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	38 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	24° C / 8° C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 7000 ft AGL	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	14 knots / , 230°
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 12000 ft AGL	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.26 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	
Departure Point:	Baker, NV	Destination:	Henderson, NV (HND)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:		Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	39.083333,-114.06666 (est)

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Cornejo, Tealeye
Additional Participating Persons:	Wyatt Seeger; Federal Aviation Administration; Reno, NV
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.