



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	Escalante, UT	Accident Number:	WPR24LA211
Date & Time:	June 18, 2024, 20:09 Local	Registration:	N9NS
Aircraft:	Beech 58P	Injuries:	1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General aviation - Executive/Corporate		

On June 18, 2024, at 2009 mountain daylight time, a Beech 58P Baron, N9NS, was substantially damaged when it was involved in an accident near Escalante, Utah. The pilot was not injured. The airplane was operated as a Title 14 *Code of Federal Regulations* Part 91 executive/corporate flight.

The pilot stated that after an uneventful departure, he was en route to his destination at a cruise altitude of 21,000 ft. Without warning, the windshield broke apart and he suddenly experienced the force of an explosive decompression. He donned his oxygen mask and initiated an emergency descent. He opted to divert to the nearest airport and landed without further incident at the Page Municipal Airport, Page, Arizona.

A post-accident examination revealed that portions of the windshield remained in the frame and the center area had departed the airplane (see Figure 1 below).



Figure 1: The Windshield After Landing

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Beech	Registration:	N9NS
Model/Series:	58P	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	ADVANCED NETWORK MANAGEMENT INC	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:	KPGA,4288 ft msl	Observation Time:	18:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	29°C /-6°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	6 knots / , 30°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	29.8 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	IFR
Departure Point:	Henderson, NV (HND)	Destination:	Englewood, CO (APA)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	37.5187,-111.1955

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Keliher, Zoe
Additional Participating Persons:	Rudy Cano; Federal Aviation Administration; Las Vegas, NV
Investigation Class:	Class 3
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.