

NTSB National Transportation Safety Board

FATIGUE AND SLEEP DISORDERS IN TRANSPORTATION ACCIDENTS

Washington D.C. Sleep Society First Annual Educational Meeting August 29, 2009

All transportation modes

- DC Metro Collision (6/22/09)
- NYC US Airways ditching (1/15/09)
- Minneapolis bridge collapse (8/1/07)







Safety Recommendations





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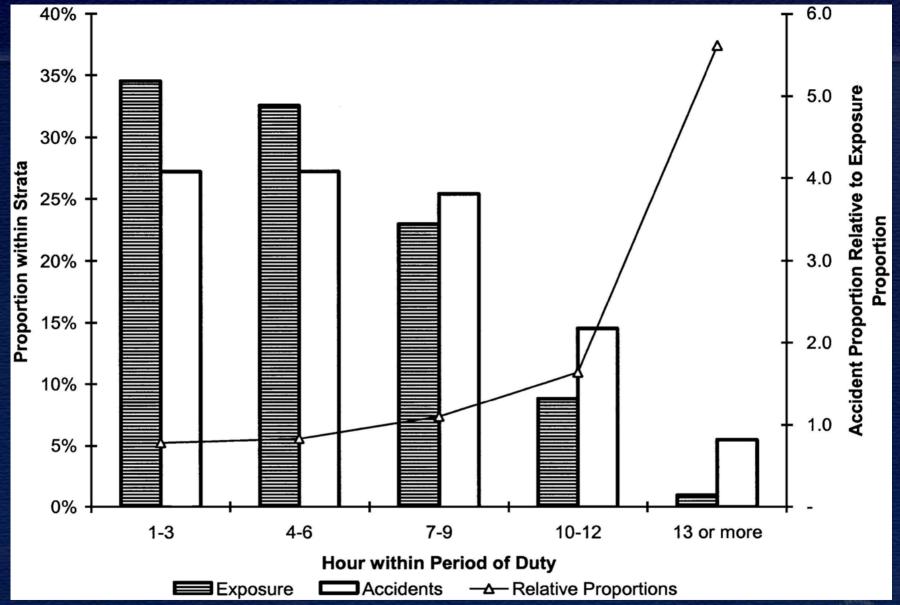


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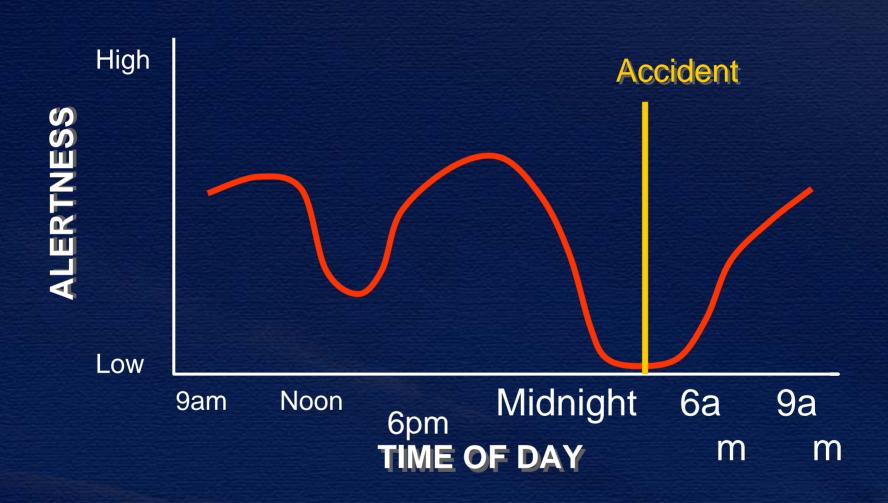


Estimated Sleep Schedule Feb 14 February 15 February 17 February 16 1800 2400 1800 1200 2400 0600 1200 1800 2400 0600 1200 0600 **Pilot Accident Occured** Sleep Duty Normal Sleep Awake

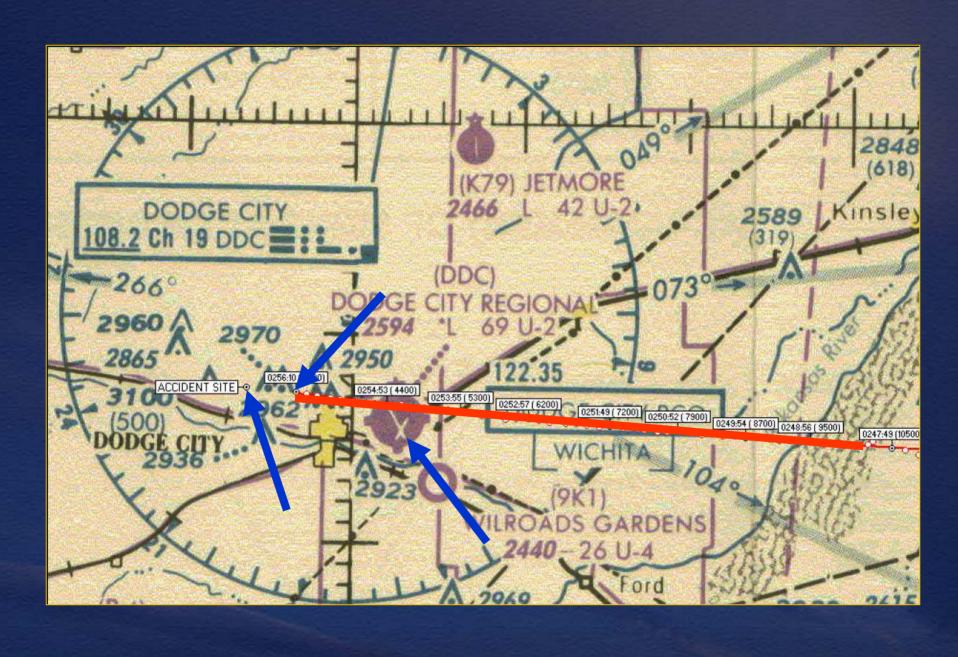


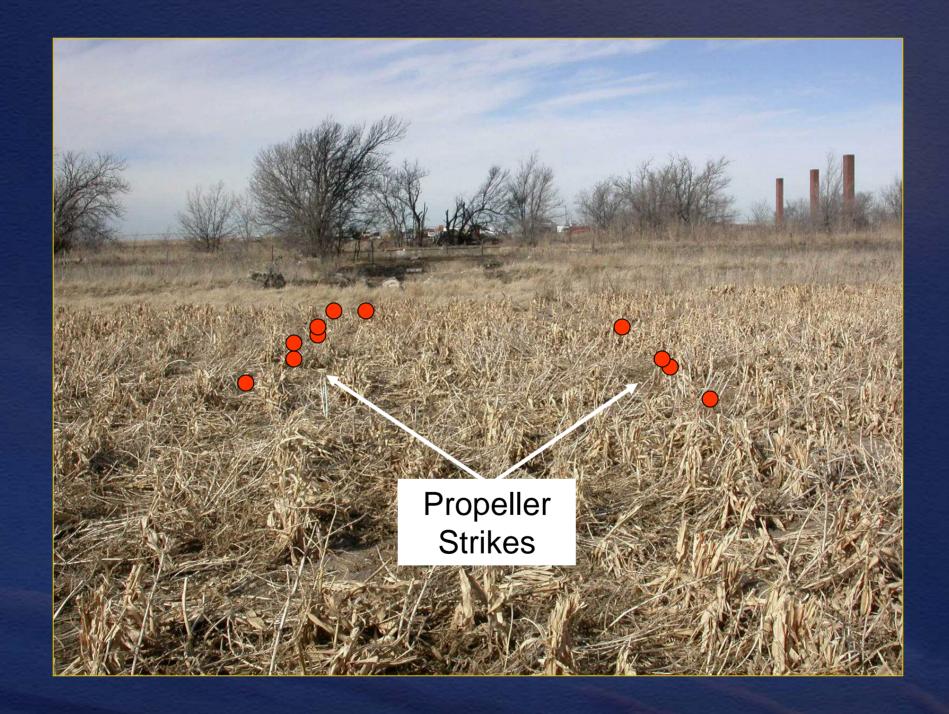


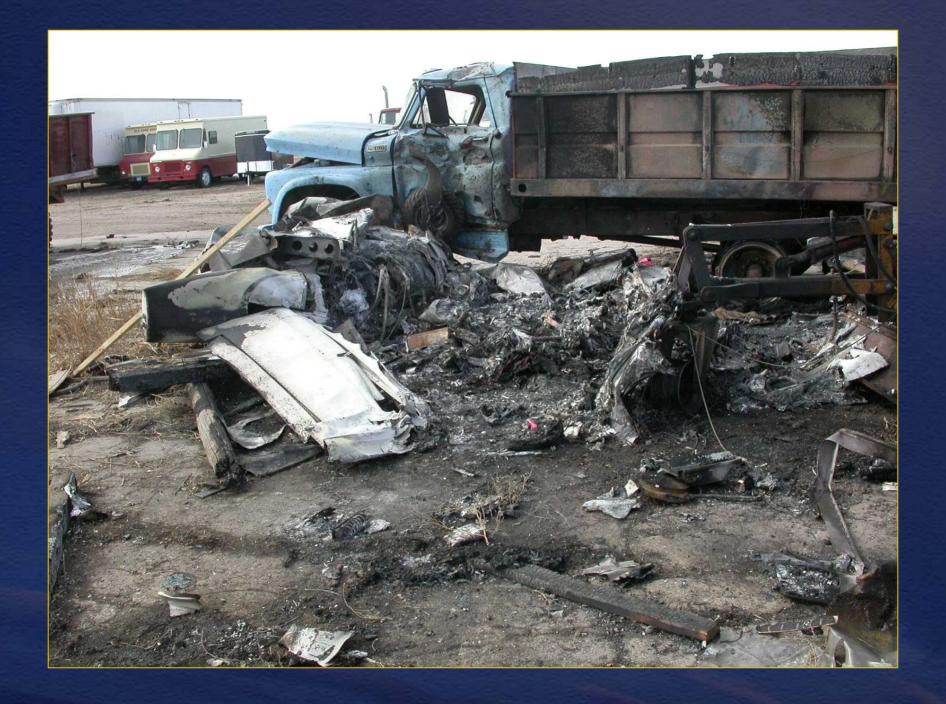
Fatigue: time of day











"... Eaglemed four has Dodge City in sight"

1913 ◀

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- 0244 ◆



Memphis, TN 4/4/02











Simulation Videos





Simulation Videos

Actual Restraint Condition

1/10th Speed



Simulation Videos

Available Restraint Condition

1/10th Speed





Shuttle America Flight 6448

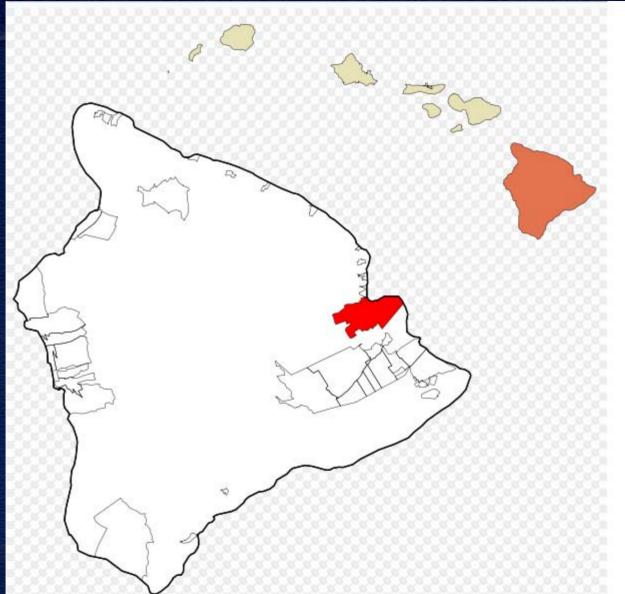




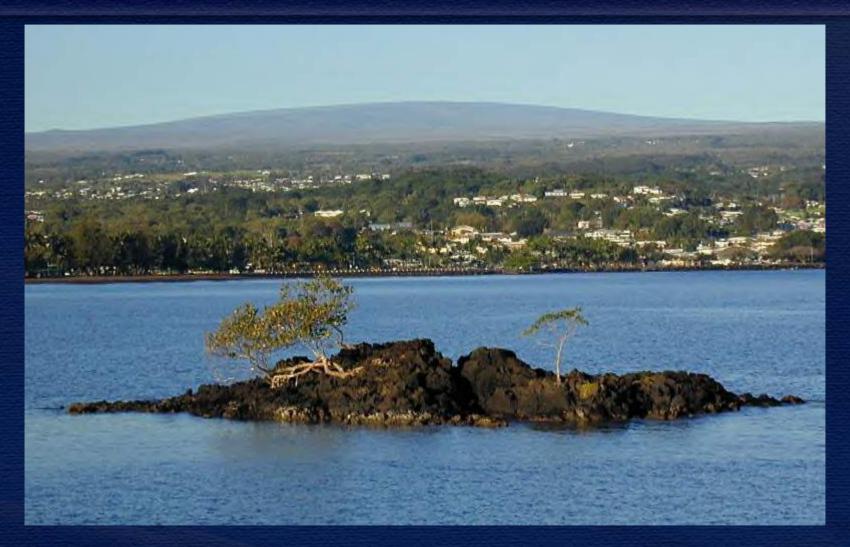
Go! Flight 1002







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 Modify the Application for Airman Medical Certificate to elicit specific information about any previous diagnosis of obstructive sleep apnea and about the presence of specific risk factors for that disorder.





 Implement a program to identify pilots at high risk for obstructive sleep apnea and require that those pilots provide evidence through the medical certification process of having been appropriately evaluated and, if treatment is needed, effectively treated for that disorder before being granted unrestricted medical certification.





 Develop and disseminate guidance for pilots, employers, and physicians regarding the identification and treatment of individuals at high risk of obstructive sleep apnea, emphasizing that pilots who have obstructive sleep apnea that is effectively treated are routinely approved for continued medical certification.

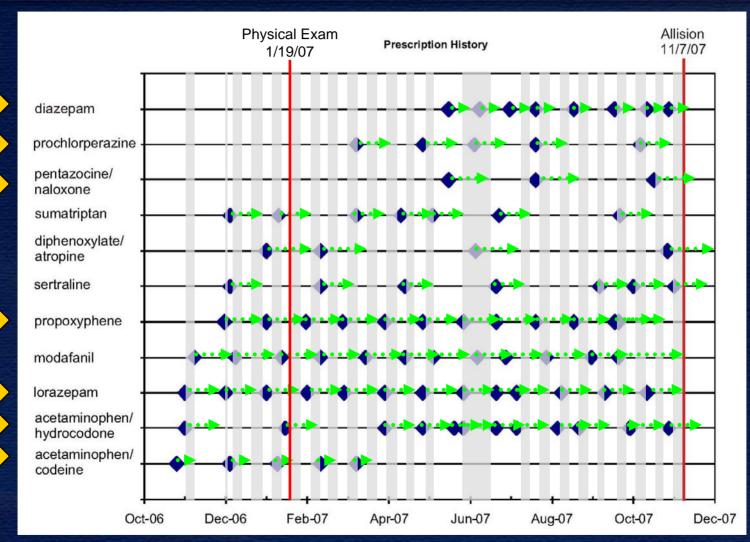
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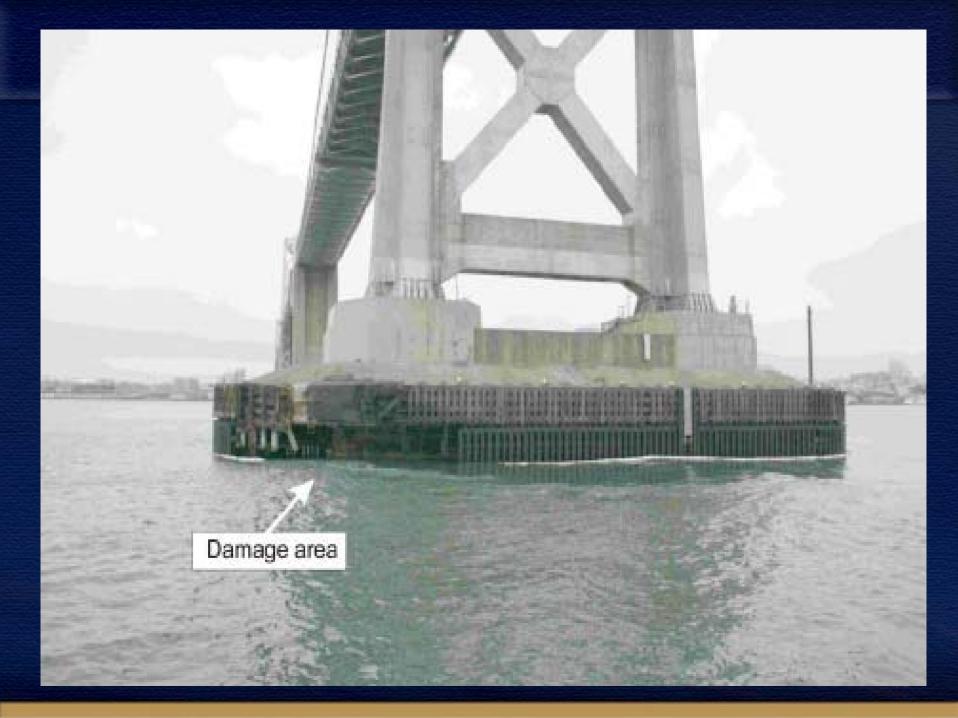
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Prescription History



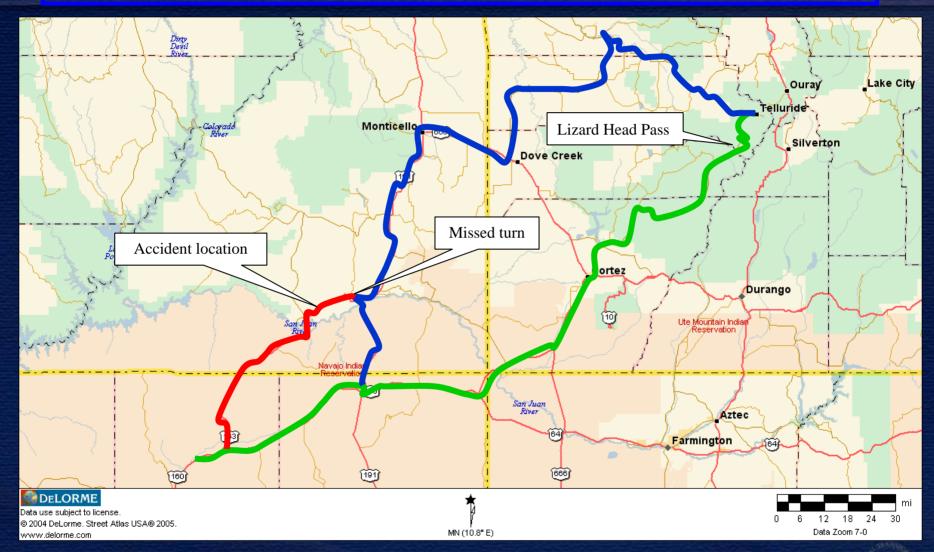
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Mexican Hat, UT

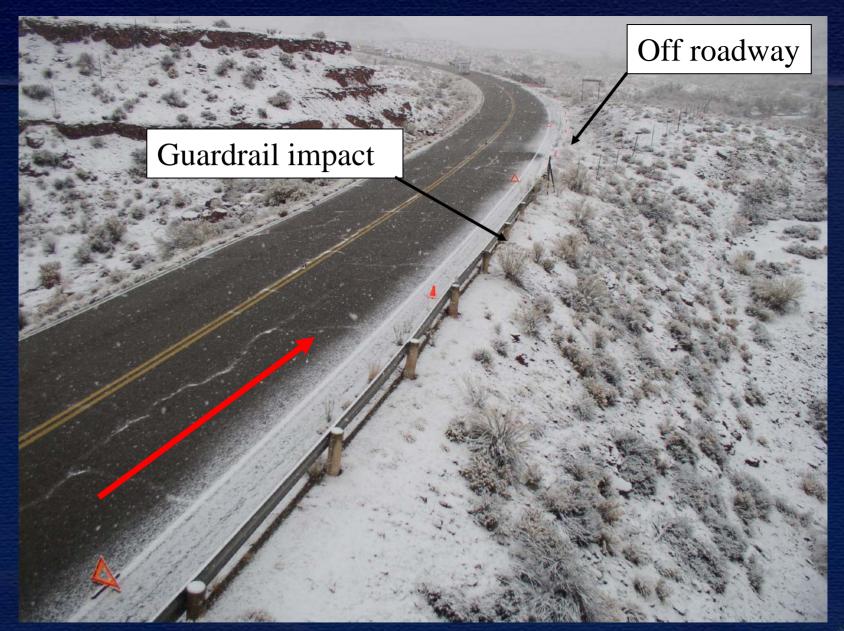


Accident Trip



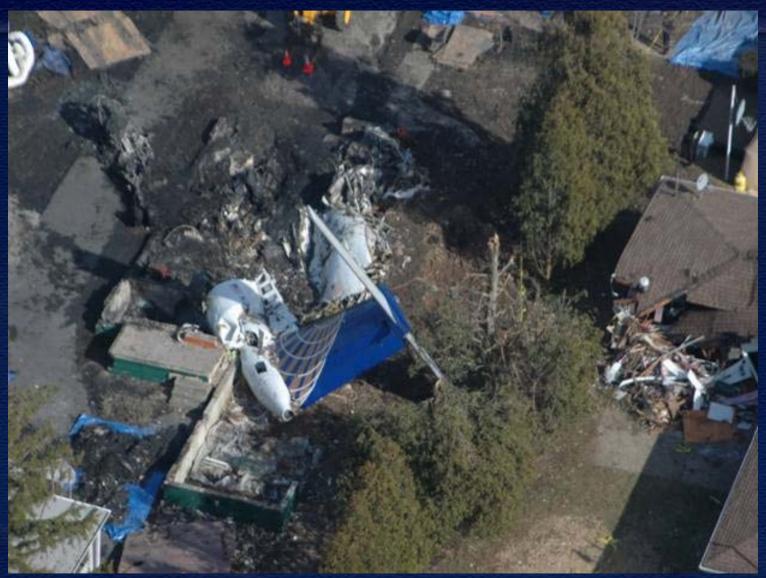












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