



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	Raft River, ID	Accident Number:	WPR24LA265
Date & Time:	August 2, 2024, 21:07 Local	Registration:	N20BH
Aircraft:	Bell 407	Injuries:	4 Minor
Flight Conducted Under:	Public aircraft		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	Bell	Registration:	N20BH
Model/Series:	407	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:	Brainerd Helicopter Services	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	Rotorcraft external load (133), On-demand air taxi (135), Agricultural aircraft (137)
Operator Designator Code:	BRNA		

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	VMC	Condition of Light:	Dusk
Observation Facility, Elevation:	KBYI,4157 ft msl	Observation Time:	20:53 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	24 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	27°C /13°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	30.11 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	CVFR
Departure Point:	Elko, NV (EKO)	Destination:	Pocatello, ID (PIH)

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Minor	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	3 Minor	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	4 Minor	Latitude, Longitude:	42.531213,-113.23015

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Simpson, Elliott
Additional Participating Persons:	Jeremy Blanford; FAA Flight Standards District Office; Boise, ID Jack Johnson; Rolls Royce; Indianapolis, IN Jeff McDermott; Brainerd Helicopters John Mills; U.S. Department of the Interior Matthew Shaddle; Bureau of Land Management Matthew McLuckie; Bell Textron Helen Tsai; Transportation Safety Board of Canada
Investigation Class:	Class 3
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.