



Aviation Investigation Preliminary Report

Location:	Skwentna, AK	Accident Number:	ANC23LA032
Date & Time:	May 9, 2023, 12:00 Local	Registration:	N704T
Aircraft:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER R44 II	Injuries:	2 Minor, 1 None
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 135: Air taxi & commuter - Non-scheduled		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	ROBINSON HELICOPTER	Registration:	N704T
Model/Series:	R44 II	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Amateur Built:			
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	On-demand air taxi (135)
Operator Designator Code:	EMVC		

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Unknown	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	PAWS,354 ft msl	Observation Time:	11:56 Local
Distance from Accident Site:	64 Nautical Miles	Temperature/Dew Point:	9°C /-2°C
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear	Wind Speed/Gusts, Direction:	9 knots / 18 knots, 130°
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility:	10 miles
Altimeter Setting:	29.82 inches Hg	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	Company VFR
Departure Point:	Skwentna, AK (SKW)	Destination:	Skwentna, AK

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Minor	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 Minor, 1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:		Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 Minor, 1 None	Latitude, Longitude:	61.774586,-151.7413

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Ward, Mark
Additional Participating Persons:	Paula Huckleberry; FAA; Anchorage, AK
Note:	The NTSB did not travel to the scene of this accident.