

**Aviation Safety Investigation Report
198602636**

Cessna 182B

1 February 1986

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Occurrence Number: 198602636
Location: Toogoolawah QLD
Date: 1 February 1986
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

Occurrence Type: Accident

Time: 1255

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	4
Total	0	0	0	5

Aircraft Details: Cessna 182B
Registration: VH-MPM
Serial Number:
Operation Type: Private-Parachuting
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: Toogoolawah QLD
Departure Time: 1255
Destination: Toogoolawah QLD

Approved for Release: April 24th 1986

Circumstances:

During the take-off run, when the indicated airspeed was about 40 knots, the pilot saw three wallabies run onto the strip in front of the aircraft. He rotated the aircraft in an attempt to avoid the animals but one of them collided with the tailplane. The pilot closed the throttle and landed the aircraft. The fencing around the aerodrome was inadequate to keep out native fauna and there was high vegetation close to the sides of the strip. The pilot stated that he had not previously seen wallabies within the boundaries of the aerodrome. This accident was not the subject of an on-site investigation.