Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199003076

Robinson R22-Beta

15 June 1990

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This accident was not formally investigated by the Bureau.

Occurrence Number: 199003076   **Occurrence Type:** Accident
Location: North Head Station (65km SW Georgetown) QLD
Date: 15 June 1990   **Time:** 1330
Highest Injury Level: Nil
Injuries:

	Fatal	Serious	Minor	None
Crew	0	0	1	1
Ground	0	0	0	-
Passenger	0	0	0	1
Total	**0**	**0**	**0**	**2**

Aircraft Details: Robinson R22-Beta
Registration: VH-EFK
Serial Number: 705
Operation Type: Aerial Work
Damage Level: Substantial
Departure Point: North Head Station QLD
Departure Time: N/A
Destination: North Head Station QLD

Approved for Release: 6th July 1990

Circumstances:

The pilot reported that the landing area was surrounded by trees. During the takeoff sequence, shortly after the helicopter rose to above treetop level, sink was encountered. The application of full collective pitch did not prevent the helicopter striking the trees.