Aviation Safety Investigation Report 199500879

Cessna Aircraft Company 150L

13 March 1995

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<b>Occurrence Number:</b>	199500879	Occurrence Type:	Accid	ent
Location:	Yuin Station			
State:	WA	Inv Category:	4	
Date:	Monday 13 March 1995			
Time:	0800 hours	Time Zone	WST	
Highest Injury Level:	None			
Aircraft Manufacture Aircraft Model: Aircraft Registration: Type of Operation: Damage to Aircraft: Departure Point: Departure Time:	er: Cessna Aircraft Comp 150L VH-IQD Non-commercial Aer Substantial Yuin WA 0600 WST	-	ey etc	Serial Number: 15075596
Destination:	Yuin WA			
Crew Details:				

	Hours on				
Role	<b>Class of Licence</b>	Type Hour	's Total		
Pilot-In-Command	Private	300.0	300		

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The pilot had been goat spotting and decided to land and wait for the accompanying helicopter to refuel.

The passenger was not feeling well and the pilot had landed on the strip two years previously. At that time a road, that crossed the strip mid way along it, was level with the strip surface and did not create any problems. Consequently, the pilot only conducted a cursory inspection, of the strip, prior to landing, and did not notice that the surface conditions had changed.

As the aircraft decelerated through about 15 knots, during the landing roll, it crossed the road. The depth of the road surface, below the strip surface, caused the aircraft to bounce and as it touched down again the nosewheel collided with the ridge on the far side of the road and collapsed.

Recent heavy rain and grading by the local council had changed the profile of the road, dropping its surface well below that of the strip.