





# SAFETY RECOMMENDATION SR18-00039

## Details

Synopsis	<p>On 5th June, 2018 at approximately 3:45pm local, (Eastern Daylight Time), a Cessna 421B aircraft crashed in dense bushes shortly after departure from Runway 27 at Rocksound Int'l Airport, Rocksound, Eleuthera, Bahamas. The crash site was located approximately 2,503 feet / .41 nautical mile (nm) north of the threshold of Runway 09 and 8,588 feet / 1.42 nm from threshold of runway 27. The pilot and 2 passengers were killed and the aircraft was destroyed by impact forces and a post-crash fire.</p> <p>As there are no crash and rescue vehicle available at the airport to respond, help was sought and received from the local town volunteer fire truck.</p> <p>As the aircraft crashed off-field, in a heavily wooded area not serviced by easily accessible roads, first responders and rescue personnel encountered difficulty in locating the wreckage at first. By the time first responders and rescue personnel located the site of the crash, the aircraft had been burning for some time. After the fire was brought under control, the remains of the 3 occupants were discovered.</p>
Recommendation	<b>To the Airport Authority.</b> The AAIA recommends the Airport Authority should conduct a survey of the airfield and coordinate with other government agencies, as applicable, to correct drainage and eroded surfaces of the runway and taxiways.
Original Recommendation Transmittal Letter	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">               Safety              Recommendation Acc         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">               Recommendation              N421MM AA.pdf         </div> </div>
Overall Status	Open – Await Response
Location	Rock Sound, Eleuthera, Bahamas
Accident Number	A18-000009
Accident Report	Loss of Control Inflight and Impact with Terrain Cessna 421B
Accident Date	5 <sup>th</sup> June, 2018
Issue Date	6 <sup>th</sup> February, 2019
Date Closed	
Addressee(s)	Milo B. Butler III – Director Ex-Officio- Airport Authority
Addressee(s) Response	Open - Await Response

## Safety Recommendation History

From	AAIA
To	Director Ex Officio – Airport Authority
Date	6 <sup>th</sup> February, 2019
Response	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">               Safety              Recommendation Acc         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">               Recommendation              N421MM AA.pdf         </div> </div>

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