

ComancheZOOM for February 18, 2021

Topic: **Surviving a Catastrophic Engine Failure Part 1: the Off-Field Landing**
with William Carpenter

This ComancheZOOM is the first in a series recounting Will Carpenter's experiences when dealing with a catastrophic engine failure while flying his Comanche, and his emergency landing in a Carolina bean field. Will describes the proposed flight plan, his typical departure, the climb to 6000 feet, and the sudden 'Bang', with oil on the windscreen and dead silence under the cowl.



He goes on to describe finding a place to land, spiraling down the ~5000 feet, getting himself and his Comanche ready to land, and finally ending up in the field just feet short of I-95. He then does a thorough analysis of what went right, what could have been better, and how this experience has affected his future flying.

Will is returning in the next ComancheZOOM to talk about the recovery of his aircraft, which not goes well as the landing. He will continue in two later Zooms to recount his experience working with the insurance company and rebuilding and upgrading the airplane.

You can view/hear this Zoom recording at:

- <http://meetings.northeastcomanche.org/zoom/2021-02-18/video.mp4>
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