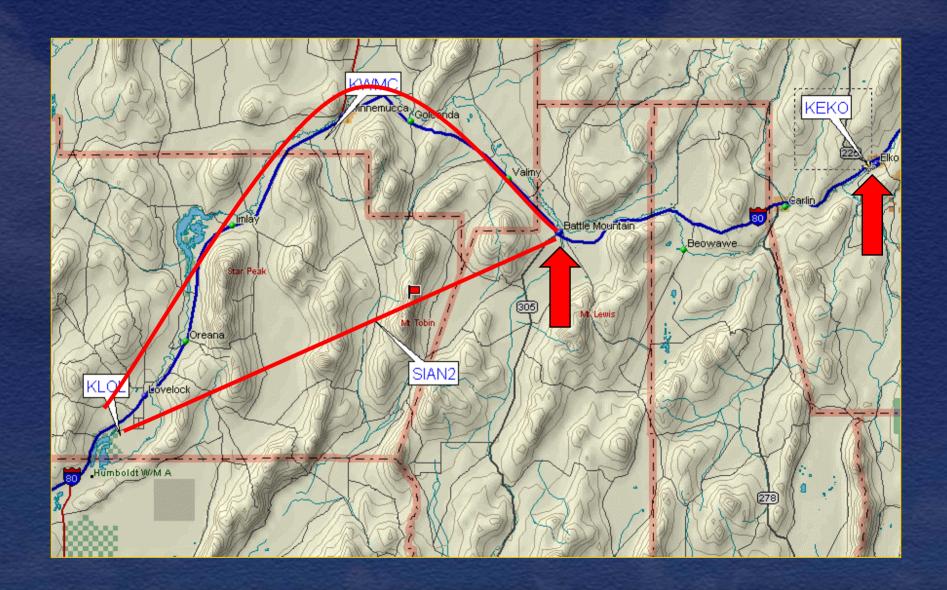


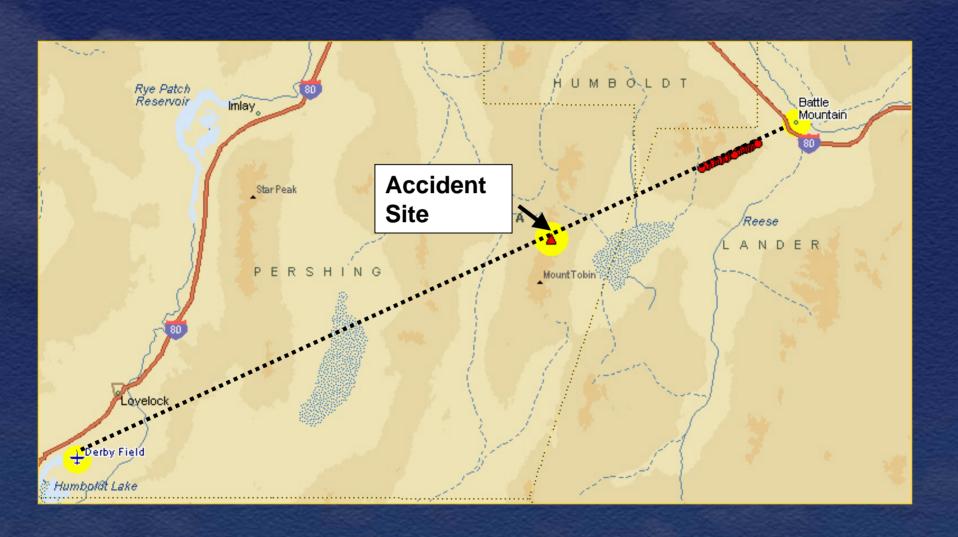
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Environmental Conditions

- Dark night, no moon
- Mountainous terrain, no ground lights
- Cloud cover over accident site
- Light precipitation in vicinity of accident site



Technologies

- No Terrain Awareness and Warning System
- No Night Vision Imaging System



Other Issues

- No flight risk evaluation program
- Inadequate flight dispatch procedure





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