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## Plane Lands In Gulf Off Of Cedar Key Airport



**An airplane flown by Nicholas Masters, 64, with passenger Shirley Butler, 56, both of Ocala went into the Gulf of Mexico just beyond runway 5-23.**



**There were no injuries. The accident happened just off of the George T. Lewis Airport (KCDK) in Cedar Key at about 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Levy County Sheriff's**

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Office spokesman Lt. Scott Tummond said. At about 4:30 p.m. (when this photo was taken), the tide was high and most of the airplane was submerged.



The mostly submerged plane is a 1982 M20J Mooney single-engine. The Federal Aviation Administration will look at this airplane accident.



This is an example of what this year, make and this model of airplane looks like when it is not submerged. The N-number of this model airplane has been blotted out to avoid any confusion. The 201 numbering on the tail rudder is correct for this airplane.

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