WEBVTT 1 00:00:00.000 --> 00:00:00.350 Thank. 2 00:00:01.425 --> 00:00:04.345 All right, thank you, Axel. That was quite interesting. 3 00:00:04.645 --> 00:00:06.125 Uh, uh, on a personal note, 4 00:00:06.565 --> 00:00:10.525 I was at the SETP local Seattle Symposium a couple weeks 5 00:00:10.545 --> 00:00:13.525 ago, and Whisk gave an excellent presentation about their 6 00:00:13.525 --> 00:00:15.685 present, their preparations for Oshkosh, 7 00:00:16.025 --> 00:00:18.305 and there are def definitely interesting comparisons. 8 00:00:18.305 --> 00:00:20.455 And so thanks for sharing. 9 00:00:21.575 --> 00:00:24.155 All right, our next speaker is Taylor Oxford, 10 00:00:24.555 --> 00:00:26.035 a gentleman who's already spoken today. 11 00:00:26.035 --> 00:00:27.955 So you already know his, his intro. 12 00:00:28.155 --> 00:00:29.475 I guess the fun fact I'll share 13 00:00:29.475 --> 00:00:32.355 that we bonded over earlier today is we both have something 14 00:00:32.355 --> 00:00:34.235 very near and dear to us on our socks. 15 00:00:34.905 --> 00:00:37.565 I've got my cat here, Taylor's guys children, 16 00:00:39.305 --> 00:00:42.085 and that'll be helping us, uh, get all the energy we need 17 00:00:42.085 --> 00:00:43.485 to talk to you guys today. 18 00:00:50.525 --> 00:00:51.545 All right. Hello everyone. 19 00:00:51.645 --> 00:00:54.185 Um, you know, thank you for listening to me 20 00:00:54.285 --> 00:00:55.545 for a second time today. 21 00:00:55.965 --> 00:00:58.235 Uh, uh, Claude, 22 00:00:58.335 --> 00:01:01.195 I'm knocking my presentation on this one, 23 00:01:01.945 --> 00:01:05.365 but you know, today we all enjoy a nice 24 00:01:06.145 --> 00:01:07.325 big filling lunch. 25 00:01:07.585 --> 00:01:11.125 So we're kind of at that time where you need a nice 26 00:01:11.725 --> 00:01:15.735 relaxing, um, you know, topic, safety equipment. 27 00:01:15.735 --> 00:01:18.255

Everybody loves safety equipment. It's easy. 28 00:01:19.275 --> 00:01:20.535 You can kind of zone out. 29 00:01:20.715 --> 00:01:22.055 You don't have to worry about the coffee 30 00:01:22.435 --> 00:01:26.535 unless you're talking about the hazards that actually come 31 00:01:26.535 --> 00:01:27.775 with safety equipment. 32 00:01:27.955 --> 00:01:32.455 So, um, I hopefully we'll, uh, give you a couple of things 33 00:01:32.485 --> 00:01:36.175 that are going on that may spur some thoughts, uh, 34 00:01:36.175 --> 00:01:37.535 about safety equipment. 35 00:01:37.675 --> 00:01:40.215 And it's not always, you know, something 36 00:01:40.215 --> 00:01:41.855 that's gonna gonna keep you safe. 37 00:01:44.435 --> 00:01:47.815 All right, so who thinks we should have safety equipment? 38 00:01:47.815 --> 00:01:50.695 Everybody, everybody may maybe not. 39 00:01:50.955 --> 00:01:52.535 It, it's like toothpaste though. 40 00:01:53.005 --> 00:01:55.055 Nine out 10 dentists recommend it,

41 00:01:55.055 --> 00:01:57.295 but there's always that, you know, one cowboy who's like, 42 00:01:57.475 --> 00:01:58.615 we don't need this. 43 00:02:01.755 --> 00:02:03.975 All right, so we understand safety equipment. 44 00:02:04.245 --> 00:02:07.965 It's important. All right, so, uh, you know, 45 00:02:08.105 --> 00:02:10.165 why do we have safety equipment? 46 00:02:10.195 --> 00:02:13.165 It's a critical part of any test hazard analysis. 47 00:02:13.825 --> 00:02:15.805 I'm not gonna go over some of these things in detail, 48 00:02:15.865 --> 00:02:18.245 but you need it to help the people, um, make sure 49 00:02:18.245 --> 00:02:20.685 that they stay safe and via emergency. 50 00:02:21.305 --> 00:02:22.885 Uh, it's to save your asset. 51 00:02:23.665 --> 00:02:25.965 So, uh, a lot of us doing UAV things, hey, 52 00:02:25.965 --> 00:02:27.085 you may put a parachute on it 53 00:02:27.205 --> 00:02:28.365 'cause it's a multimillion dollar 54 00:02:28.415 --> 00:02:29.685

asset and you want to save it. 55 00:02:29.865 --> 00:02:32.245 You don't mind just, you know, turning into a lawn dart 56 00:02:33.595 --> 00:02:36.375 and, you know, we actually think about safety equipment 57 00:02:36.395 --> 00:02:39.415 and even when it doesn't work properly, um, I'm 58 00:02:40.015 --> 00:02:43.695 remembering a F 16 shoot failed to deploy test the lot, 59 00:02:43.805 --> 00:02:46.295 have seen the, the videos from a while ago. 60 00:02:46.875 --> 00:02:49.495 Uh, the pilot's aggressively pitch rocking as he goes 61 00:02:49.495 --> 00:02:50.815 through, goes to pull the shoot 62 00:02:51.235 --> 00:02:53.015 and all of a sudden you hear no shoot. 63 00:02:53.515 --> 00:02:56.335 Um, he's very lucky that he is able to, uh, continue pitch, 64 00:02:56.335 --> 00:02:59.765 rocking and survive before he had to actually bail out. 65 00:02:59.825 --> 00:03:02.285 But we do now consider a lot of these, Hey, 66 00:03:02.825 --> 00:03:05.325 if my safety equipment doesn't work 67 00:03:05.325 --> 00:03:09.165 because I understand it's not, uh, maybe a level A system

68 00:03:09.305 --> 00:03:11.165 or so that, how am I going 69 00:03:11.165 --> 00:03:13.485 to react if it doesn't, if it doesn't actually work? 70 00:03:16.055 --> 00:03:19.675 The thing is, what happens if the safety equipment actually 71 00:03:19.985 --> 00:03:22.975 induces an unsafe situation for you? 72 00:03:23.665 --> 00:03:27.005 Um, so the following is a series of situations to kind 73 00:03:27.005 --> 00:03:29.645 of stimulate your thoughts on the hazards that, uh, 74 00:03:29.705 --> 00:03:31.205 you may have never considered 75 00:03:31.205 --> 00:03:34.685 before, trying to remove some, uh, names 76 00:03:34.865 --> 00:03:37.965 or specifics, uh, just so that we can get 77 00:03:37.965 --> 00:03:39.205 that information out. 78 00:03:39.625 --> 00:03:42.205 But not necessarily like everybody's had 79 00:03:42.205 --> 00:03:43.645 to do pretty much here today. 80 00:03:43.645 --> 00:03:45.565 We're not gonna, uh, name names. 81 00:03:47.615 --> 00:03:49.945

Alright, so we're gonna talk a little bit about 82 00:03:50.075 --> 00:03:51.305 stall spin shoots. 83 00:03:51.365 --> 00:03:54.545 Um, you know, normally it's a multi-step process 84 00:03:54.805 --> 00:03:57.545 to arm the shoot and verify its functional 85 00:03:57.545 --> 00:03:58.825 before your test point. 86 00:03:59.285 --> 00:04:02.165 Um, thing to think about what would've happened, you know, 87 00:04:02.165 --> 00:04:03.925 if the shoot deployed on that F 16 88 00:04:04.495 --> 00:04:06.765 after like, uh, the connectors all of a sudden 89 00:04:06.785 --> 00:04:09.965 as he got back in, um, connected 90 00:04:10.145 --> 00:04:11.845 and, you know, the shoot automatically 91 00:04:12.005 --> 00:04:13.045 deployed 'cause he already pulled the handle. 92 00:04:13.105 --> 00:04:14.365 You know what, what's gonna happen? 93 00:04:14.675 --> 00:04:16.245 Luckily, he probably would've just cut 94 00:04:16.245 --> 00:04:17.325 the shoot and moved on.

95 00:04:17.705 --> 00:04:19.365 Um, but those are type of things 96 00:04:19.365 --> 00:04:21.245 that you gotta start thinking about. 97 00:04:21.825 --> 00:04:25.365 So the FAA, you guys find this so important 98 00:04:25.715 --> 00:04:29.445 that you actually talk about spin stall shoots in your FA 99 00:04:29.445 --> 00:04:31.165 order on type certification. 100 00:04:31.625 --> 00:04:35.165 Um, there are actually more words on stall 101 00:04:35.185 --> 00:04:37.965 and spin shoots in this document than there 102 00:04:37.965 --> 00:04:39.125 are on f and r testing. 103 00:04:39.625 --> 00:04:42.205 And for you guys, I know we're all data driven here. 104 00:04:42.345 --> 00:04:47.245 So that's 350 words, uh, for the shoot 105 00:04:47.425 --> 00:04:52.085 and only 316 words on functionality and reliability testing. 106 00:04:52.585 --> 00:04:55.245 Um, you got a little dig dig a little deeper. 107 00:04:55.385 --> 00:04:58.805 You, you find out that, uh, uh, they repeat the references 108 00:04:58.985 --> 00:05:02.125

to the NASA papers twice, so it kind of creeps over. 109 00:05:02.185 --> 00:05:04.285 But my, my point's still still valid. 110 00:05:04.625 --> 00:05:08.065 Um, the certification, this is one of the things that it, 111 00:05:08.065 --> 00:05:10.305 it states in there, IT certification 112 00:05:10.825 --> 00:05:14.225 branches must carefully evaluate a spin recovery system 113 00:05:14.585 --> 00:05:18.185 installation to determine if it's structural integrity, 114 00:05:18.655 --> 00:05:22.065 reliability, susceptibility to inadvertent 115 00:05:22.085 --> 00:05:25.905 or unwanted deployment or jettison and adequate 116 00:05:25.925 --> 00:05:27.745 or redundant jettison ability. 117 00:05:27.965 --> 00:05:30.305 So, but it's really important, right? 118 00:05:30.375 --> 00:05:33.065 They're putting all this information, you gotta consider 119 00:05:33.095 --> 00:05:36.315 what happens, uh, if this thing doesn't go right. 120 00:05:37.645 --> 00:05:39.185 Now, you know, how do, how do, 121 00:05:39.205 --> 00:05:40.985 how do you do this most of the time?

122 00:05:41.165 --> 00:05:45.605 Hey, OEM, go test it out. Make sure it's working. 123 00:05:45.865 --> 00:05:48.725 Go once you installing your aircraft, go perform a test. 124 00:05:49.225 --> 00:05:52.205 Uh, blow the chute, make sure everything works well. 125 00:05:52.625 --> 00:05:55.285 Uh, and you know, that should work. 126 00:05:55.315 --> 00:05:56.645 That will give you a thumbs up 127 00:05:56.645 --> 00:05:57.740 that we're, we're comfortable. 128 00:05:57.745 --> 00:06:00.725 The system works. So, you know, you go out, you're like, 129 00:06:00.725 --> 00:06:02.085 all right, I'm going on my aircraft. 130 00:06:02.175 --> 00:06:03.965 Let's go, let's get clearance from tower. 131 00:06:03.975 --> 00:06:05.165 We'll go pull the chute. 1.32 00:06:05.465 --> 00:06:10.245 Uh, you go on tr in down the runway, boom pops up. 133 00:06:10.305 --> 00:06:11.725 Yep, everything works great. 134 00:06:11.865 --> 00:06:13.685 All right, let's pull over the taxiway assess, 135 00:06:13.755 --> 00:06:15.525

make sure everything's fine. 136 00:06:15.715 --> 00:06:18.325 Then all of a sudden you get a call from towers like, 137 00:06:18.325 --> 00:06:19.965 Hey, you guys done yet? 1.38 00:06:19.965 --> 00:06:22.535 And you're like, yeah, that was kind of snippy. 139 00:06:22.675 --> 00:06:24.575 Why are you doing that? Well, thanks, 140 00:06:24.595 --> 00:06:26.495 you just spotted the entire active runway 141 00:06:26.555 --> 00:06:28.535 and we now have to close it and clear everything off. 142 00:06:29.105 --> 00:06:33.925 So it's like, huh, well, did we, did we consider that? 143 00:06:33.985 --> 00:06:37.445 Is that something that when, you know, the FA asked us to do 144 00:06:37.445 --> 00:06:38.645 that they realized we may do? 145 00:06:38.645 --> 00:06:41.965 Could we have done this in, you know, better, better ways? 146 00:06:42.305 --> 00:06:45.125 Uh, and there are things like, hey, you know, 147 00:06:45.125 --> 00:06:47.725 does one firework going off infer 148 00:06:47.725 --> 00:06:48.805 that the next one's gonna work?

149 00:06:48.905 --> 00:06:50.845 Or, you know, for me, I, I dealt 150 00:06:50.845 --> 00:06:52.445 with model rockets a lot growing up. 151 00:06:52.625 --> 00:06:55.295 Uh, does that, you know, all the time. 152 00:06:55.295 --> 00:06:58.535 They wouldn't, wouldn't go off. Like, is this gonna work? 153 00:06:58.675 --> 00:06:59.695 Is there a better way? 154 00:06:59.995 --> 00:07:02.895 So that's why I want you to kind of think about, you know, 155 00:07:02.895 --> 00:07:04.935 just the fact that I, you know, 156 00:07:04.955 --> 00:07:07.375 set off one explosive doesn't really infer 157 00:07:07.685 --> 00:07:09.295 that the next explosive 158 00:07:09.295 --> 00:07:11.695 that's installed in there is actually going to go off. 159 00:07:12.375 --> 00:07:14.255 I can, uh, do a test of the system 160 00:07:14.715 --> 00:07:16.375 and make sure that I'm getting the correct 161 00:07:16.375 --> 00:07:17.495 current coming through. 162 00:07:17.525 --> 00:07:19.175

That would set off the explosive 163 00:07:19.435 --> 00:07:22.375 and maybe that should be an appropriate test along 164 00:07:22.375 --> 00:07:25.135 with maybe a bench test or test on a truck 165 00:07:25.195 --> 00:07:28.735 or something, not an actual, uh, event on a runway. 166 00:07:32.325 --> 00:07:34.025 All right. Another fun one, hunter, 167 00:07:35.035 --> 00:07:37.315 I know you've been asking about this on the EV toll council. 168 00:07:37.495 --> 00:07:40.435 So, uh, hopefully I'll get you a little information here 169 00:07:40.435 --> 00:07:41.995 when we can have a conversation about it later. 170 00:07:42.295 --> 00:07:44.115 So, a tether restraint system. 171 00:07:44.775 --> 00:07:48.785 So got the nice, this is the Honda EV toll 172 00:07:48.805 --> 00:07:50.185 for all of you haven't seen it yet. 173 00:07:50.185 --> 00:07:52.025 The nice CGI rre reference. 174 00:07:53.975 --> 00:07:57.755 So we restrain the aircraft against flying away, right? 175 00:07:57.935 --> 00:08:01.435 Making sure that, you know, it's not uncontrollable.

176 00:08:01.495 --> 00:08:02.755 We don't lose the lost Lincoln, 177 00:08:02.775 --> 00:08:05.235 it just goes flying off into the national airspace. 178 00:08:05.855 --> 00:08:07.275 Um, and we're also doing it 179 00:08:07.275 --> 00:08:08.755 to prevent it from damaging itself. 180 00:08:09.055 --> 00:08:12.995 Um, again, control all these, the vehicles are very complex 181 00:08:13.055 --> 00:08:14.315 and inherently unstable. 182 00:08:14.775 --> 00:08:15.915 Um, so it going 183 00:08:15.935 --> 00:08:18.915 and tilting one side, the other could, uh, 184 00:08:18.915 --> 00:08:20.875 really damage the product that we have. 185 00:08:21.415 --> 00:08:26.355 Um, but, you know, maybe we look at that, maybe we don't. 186 00:08:26.805 --> 00:08:28.835 Maybe we start with something smaller. 187 00:08:29.135 --> 00:08:30.395 So, uh, starting 188 00:08:30.395 --> 00:08:32.715 with a smaller vehicle instead of a full scale. 189 00:08:32.735 --> 00:08:35.275

That's, that's all right, sounds good to us. Let's do that. 190 00:08:37.035 --> 00:08:39.295 So like good engineers, we do a lot of analysis. 191 00:08:39.555 --> 00:08:40.855 All right, so what's it gonna take? 192 00:08:40.965 --> 00:08:43.695 What size tethers do we have to do in order 193 00:08:43.695 --> 00:08:47.535 to keep this vehicle, um, from striking a wing tip or nose 194 00:08:47.555 --> 00:08:49.015 or putting the boom into the ground? 195 00:08:49.725 --> 00:08:52.295 Well, pretty small. 196 00:08:53.115 --> 00:08:55.240 So now you start to think about it, it's like, like, oh, 197 00:08:55.240 --> 00:08:57.205 we're using this to keep the vehicle safe, 198 00:08:57.505 --> 00:09:00.005 but it's actually fairly restraining. 199 00:09:00.265 --> 00:09:04.045 So, uh, we go in, we're just trying to get testing going. 200 00:09:04.065 --> 00:09:06.045 We wanna just get the vehicle off the ground, right? 201 00:09:06.225 --> 00:09:08.485 That's the first step. Just get the vehicle off the ground, 202 00:09:08.535 --> 00:09:09.605 bring it right back down.

203 00:09:09.705 --> 00:09:11.285 We understand that there are limitations 204 00:09:11.285 --> 00:09:12.445 with this system involved. 205 00:09:13.065 --> 00:09:17.125 So what do we do? All right, get off the ground. Okay? 206 00:09:17.305 --> 00:09:20.925 All of a sudden, ah, tether catches, starts leaning, 207 00:09:20.955 --> 00:09:22.085 wing leaning, oh, 208 00:09:22.085 --> 00:09:25.845 other tether catches immediately kill the vehicle lands. 209 00:09:25.845 --> 00:09:28.405 Luckily it's very close to the ground so no one do damage, 210 00:09:28.585 --> 00:09:32.825 but you know, it, we didn't actually accomplish much 211 00:09:33.245 --> 00:09:35.305 and it become incredibly restraining. 212 00:09:35.565 --> 00:09:37.665 And the fact that one tether catching 213 00:09:38.225 --> 00:09:40.625 actually caused the vehicle to jerk rapidly to the side. 214 00:09:40.885 --> 00:09:43.265 So, you know, we come to the conclusion that a, 215 00:09:43.265 --> 00:09:46.465 this is not a configuration that we can really go forward 216 00:09:46.465 --> 00:09:47.465

and progress with testing. 217 00:09:47.565 --> 00:09:50.825 So let's move on to the next, uh, set of testing. 218 00:09:51.205 --> 00:09:55.465 So, uh, we go, we reconfigure to a different configuration. 219 00:09:55.465 --> 00:09:57.865 This is a single tether. Uh, we get prepared. 220 00:09:57.985 --> 00:09:59.505 I go put it on a new pair of pants 221 00:09:59.675 --> 00:10:01.345 after the incident with the last one. 222 00:10:01.685 --> 00:10:03.345 Um, and we start to think about things. 223 00:10:03.565 --> 00:10:05.345 Now we've got this configuration 224 00:10:05.345 --> 00:10:06.945 with the single tether, but we're learning. 225 00:10:06.955 --> 00:10:09.385 We're like, alright, the skids, we've noticed 226 00:10:09.385 --> 00:10:11.665 that the vehicle kind of slides a little bit around 227 00:10:11.725 --> 00:10:12.945 before we get off the ground 228 00:10:12.945 --> 00:10:14.705 because all the different pro uh, 229 00:10:14.705 --> 00:10:15.985 propellers rotating around.

230 00:10:16.325 --> 00:10:19.425 Um, and we've got this big metal eye hook 231 00:10:19.425 --> 00:10:21.905 that's bolted into the ground that the tethers attached to. 232 00:10:22.335 --> 00:10:24.145 Alright, smart. Let's think about this. 233 00:10:24.605 --> 00:10:28.865 If we go and we slide into this, we're gonna actually kind 234 00:10:28.865 --> 00:10:30.745 of roll the vehicle over, which we don't want to happen. 235 00:10:30.885 --> 00:10:31.945 So let's be smart. 236 00:10:33.015 --> 00:10:34.525 We're gonna attach it right in the middle 237 00:10:34.525 --> 00:10:35.885 between the two skids. 238 00:10:35.905 --> 00:10:38.725 So in the event that it does slide, it's, you know, 239 00:10:38.725 --> 00:10:41.925 impacting the, the inside of the skid should help us train 240 00:10:42.065 --> 00:10:44.165 or restrain it, you know, from tipping over. 241 00:10:44.195 --> 00:10:45.845 It's like, all right, that makes a lot of sense. 242 00:10:46.975 --> 00:10:48.115 Of course, what happens? 243 00:10:48.375 --> 00:10:50.235

Pilots become creative at this point. 244 00:10:50.695 --> 00:10:53.355 The pilot actually got off the ground just enough 245 00:10:53.355 --> 00:10:56.595 to slide gently over the islet, come back down 246 00:10:56.615 --> 00:10:59.915 and slide right back into it on the outside just as we, uh, 247 00:11:00.095 --> 00:11:01.315 you know, didn't want to happen. 248 00:11:01.535 --> 00:11:03.865 So, you know, it becomes 249 00:11:04.625 --> 00:11:07.545 increasingly difficult when you start talking about 2.50 00:11:07.555 --> 00:11:08.905 these type of systems. 251 00:11:09.645 --> 00:11:12.385 Um, they're supposed to help you to be safe, 2.52 00:11:12.565 --> 00:11:15.715 to really actually keep you safe without, um, 253 00:11:15.815 --> 00:11:18.635 the additional hazards and things that come along with it. 254 00:11:18.975 --> 00:11:22.705 Uh, the, we continue to do a lot of other, uh, testing 255 00:11:22.805 --> 00:11:25.185 and this configuration because that's the buildup. 256 00:11:25.185 -> 00:11:27.705We've gotta go and make sure this is safe.

257 00:11:28.005 --> 00:11:29.225 The control law is working. 2.58 00:11:29.725 --> 00:11:32.905 Um, it's not, uh, a catastrophic type of event 259 00:11:33.365 --> 00:11:35.745 before we really, uh, move on 260 00:11:35.765 --> 00:11:37.345 to any type of untethered testing. 261 00:11:37.485 --> 00:11:41.995 But that's, you know, not necessarily maybe the best way. 2.62 00:11:42.175 --> 00:11:45.315 The the pilot, you know, one thing that he really noticed is 263 00:11:45.315 --> 00:11:48.035 that, um, you know, it's, it's, 264 00:11:48.055 --> 00:11:49.795 if it's too short, I can't control it. 265 00:11:49.865 --> 00:11:52.915 Even with having that much longer tether that's just, 266 00:11:53.000 --> 00:11:57.535 just a single, it's always in his mind that if I get 2.67 00:11:57.535 --> 00:11:59.575 to the end of this, I don't know necessarily 268 00:11:59.715 --> 00:12:01.375 how the vehicle is going to react. 269 00:12:01.815 --> 00:12:04.255 I don't know if it's all gonna flip over. 270 00:12:04.395 --> 00:12:06.535

We had specific knock it off calls. 271 00:12:06.835 --> 00:12:09.895 If, you know, you got to the, the pink line on the tether, 272 00:12:09.895 --> 00:12:11.255 you saw that lift off the ground, 273 00:12:11.255 --> 00:12:12.695 then hey, let's knock it off. 274 00:12:12.695 --> 00:12:15.415 Let's bring it down. But even knowing 275 00:12:15.415 --> 00:12:19.135 that the pilot still was concerned repeatedly that, hey, 276 00:12:19.285 --> 00:12:21.335 this isn't gonna work necessarily. 277 00:12:24.265 --> 00:12:28.585 Uh, so again, we moved to a different configuration, 278 00:12:29.335 --> 00:12:31.035 but maybe that's not the best thing. 279 00:12:31.095 --> 00:12:34.275 So, uh, you know, we struck the hole down anyway. 280 00:12:35.025 --> 00:12:36.325 Now all are alternatives. 281 00:12:36.345 --> 00:12:39.285 So this is, uh, for those in the e to space, 282 00:12:39.435 --> 00:12:41.805 this is SkyDrive a company out of Japan. 283 00:12:42.265 --> 00:12:43.525 I'm happen to know one of the,

284 00:12:43.545 --> 00:12:44.845 the guys that was in this picture. 285 00:12:45.025 --> 00:12:46.085 So he pointed me to this. 286 00:12:46.485 --> 00:12:47.885 I just wanna point to the, uh, 287 00:12:48.435 --> 00:12:50.605 skid configuration for this vehicle. 288 00:12:51.025 --> 00:12:54.845 So instead of going to a tether, they actually have a large 289 00:12:55.355 --> 00:12:57.805 skid system that extends out beyond 290 00:12:58.425 --> 00:12:59.605 the sides of the aircraft. 291 00:12:59.825 --> 00:13:01.045 And this has better thinking. 292 00:13:01.245 --> 00:13:04.645 'cause we had initially gone into testing, assuming one, 293 00:13:04.665 --> 00:13:07.445 the vehicle was either extremely uncontrollable 294 00:13:07.705 --> 00:13:10.405 or two, it was gonna be just rock solid, which of course, 295 00:13:10.605 --> 00:13:11.685 neither one was true. 296 00:13:11.785 --> 00:13:14.205 It was kind of in the middle. And this retrain 297 00:13:14.205 --> 00:13:15.525

system might have been a little better. 298 00:13:15.585 --> 00:13:17.725 It could have touched on the, the skids 299 00:13:17.725 --> 00:13:19.205 and kind of helped ride itself. 300 00:13:19.305 --> 00:13:22.205 So, you know, there are always alternatives 301 00:13:22.205 --> 00:13:24.805 that you can kind of think of that may, may help, 302 00:13:24.805 --> 00:13:27.285 that may be a better situation, um, 303 00:13:27.505 --> 00:13:31.645 if you really are considering the hazards that go along, uh, 304 00:13:32.115 --> 00:13:34.405 with your specific safety equipment. 305 00:13:36.355 --> 00:13:39.885 All right, so who uses a fire suppression system? 306 00:13:40.445 --> 00:13:41.525 I know a lot of people do. 307 00:13:41.745 --> 00:13:45.645 So, um, they're there to save the crew in the event 308 00:13:45.645 --> 00:13:49.285 of a catastrophic fire typically incurred from a crash. 309 00:13:50.855 --> 00:13:54.315 Now, I will say these systems are amazing. 310 00:13:54.615 --> 00:13:55.875 If you don't have one

311 00:13:55.975 --> 00:13:58.995 and you're doing any testing, like field performance 312 00:13:59.095 --> 00:14:01.595 or anything where you're close to the ground where, uh, 313 00:14:01.695 --> 00:14:06.025 you could, you know, end up in accident, you need one 314 00:14:06.025 --> 00:14:09.175 of these types of systems to help the people on 315 00:14:09.175 --> 00:14:10.695 board survive. 316 00:14:11.355 --> 00:14:13.335 I'm a big, big fan of these, 317 00:14:13.755 --> 00:14:17.145 but there's dumb things that you have to uh, 318 00:14:17.625 --> 00:14:18.665 consider with that. 319 00:14:18.965 --> 00:14:22.825 So just gonna say, I, uh, 320 00:14:23.195 --> 00:14:26.135 we've got a quick clip for you to go over. 321 00:14:26.315 --> 00:14:29.415 Um, I may live in California, 322 00:14:29.555 --> 00:14:33.495 but I don't have a Hollywood budget, so please, uh, 323 00:14:33.725 --> 00:14:35.015 forgive me for the quality. 324 00:14:35.395 --> 00:14:37.505

But I hope, uh, it helps to, 325 00:14:37.645 --> 00:14:39.465 and, you know, kind of inspire you guys 326 00:14:39.725 --> 00:14:42.225 and get you thinking about some things that could happen. 327 00:14:47.055 --> 00:14:51.645 We find our test crew awake early one morning in the midst 328 00:14:51.745 --> 00:14:53.525 of field performance testing, 329 00:14:58.045 --> 00:15:00.495 Another successful test point. 330 00:15:01.195 --> 00:15:04.655 Yep. All of that good data is keeping the engineers 331 00:15:04.655 --> 00:15:05.695 and TM quiet. 332 00:15:07.795 --> 00:15:10.885 Okay, let's run through all of our safety checks 333 00:15:11.065 --> 00:15:14.725 as we taxi back to the end of the runway. 334 00:15:17.915 --> 00:15:19.555 Everyone is strapped in 335 00:15:20.245 --> 00:15:23.745 by your suppression is on in an active mode, 336 00:15:24.285 --> 00:15:26.175 Same as it's been all morning. 337 00:15:28.925 --> 00:15:31.145 And onto test card five alpha.

338 00:15:31.685 --> 00:15:33.705 Hey, do you guys smell something? 339 00:15:36.055 --> 00:15:39.345 Well, you did have that breakfast burrito from the sketchy 340 00:15:39.345 --> 00:15:40.545 food truck this morning. 341 00:15:42.735 --> 00:15:46.935 It is sitting pretty heavy. No, it smells like plastic. 342 00:15:48.315 --> 00:15:48.535 Ah, 343 00:15:53.845 --> 00:15:54.065 ah, 344 00:16:03.825 --> 00:16:06.995 ah, ah, 345 00:16:09.915 --> 00:16:10.915 Alright. Uh, 346 00:16:10.915 --> 00:16:12.165 I hope you enjoyed that. 347 00:16:12.225 --> 00:16:14.805 Um, actually, I don't care if you enjoyed it or not. 348 00:16:15.025 --> 00:16:19.605 Um, Uh, I enjoyed having that and making it with my kids. 349 00:16:19.785 --> 00:16:21.725 It, you know, makes it a little easier to come 350 00:16:21.725 --> 00:16:22.885 to these when you involve them. 351 00:16:23.065 --> 00:16:25.325

But just to talk about this, you know, 352 00:16:25.575 --> 00:16:27.445 could this type of thing happen? 353 00:16:28.025 --> 00:16:32.045 So, you know, a failure of imagination, maybe that, uh, 354 00:16:32.065 --> 00:16:35.285 we didn't consider the possibility that maybe 355 00:16:35.845 --> 00:16:39.445 a system designed, you know, to save people in the event 356 00:16:39.465 --> 00:16:42.565 of a catastrophic fire could be inadvertently set off 357 00:16:42.625 --> 00:16:45.445 by a flame the size of a candle, um, 358 00:16:45.905 --> 00:16:47.365 and really put people in danger. 359 00:16:47.665 --> 00:16:51.085 So if this type of thing happens while, you know, 360 00:16:51.545 --> 00:16:54.325 you're actually airborne or in the midst of a test point 361 00:16:54.385 --> 00:16:55.845 and you're not expecting it, 362 00:16:56.515 --> 00:16:58.165 that could have turned out really bad. 363 00:16:58.355 --> 00:17:02.275 This just theoretical situation happened while they were, 364 00:17:02.295 --> 00:17:03.355 uh, taxing around.

365 00:17:03.695 --> 00:17:07.405 So we have the tools 366 00:17:07.465 --> 00:17:11.085 to analyze this level of complex situation. 367 00:17:11.585 --> 00:17:13.805 Um, if for all the, you guys who, uh, 368 00:17:13.905 --> 00:17:16.885 and gals who are a fan of STPA 369 00:17:16.885 --> 00:17:19.125 or stamp, this type of 370 00:17:19.765 --> 00:17:23.245 analysis probably would've been good when the initial, uh, 371 00:17:24.215 --> 00:17:27.185 fire suppression system was designed to help kind 372 00:17:27.185 --> 00:17:28.385 of weed out some of these things 373 00:17:28.385 --> 00:17:31.585 because it's a higher complexity system, um, 374 00:17:31.615 --> 00:17:34.225 than maybe just their standard TD risk 375 00:17:34.225 --> 00:17:35.905 matrix, uh, would've involved. 376 00:17:38.905 --> 00:17:43.845 So conclusions, we are typically good at addressing hazards 377 00:17:43.995 --> 00:17:45.885 with safety equipment and mitigations. 378 00:17:46.075 --> 00:17:48.525

It's what we do. It's what we do all the time. 379 00:17:48.665 --> 00:17:50.205 How are, are we gonna keep people safe? 380 00:17:50.795 --> 00:17:52.465 We're gonna make sure they have this equipment 381 00:17:52.465 --> 00:17:53.505 so we can keep 'em safe. 382 00:17:54.645 --> 00:17:56.135 Sometimes we even do it 383 00:17:56.235 --> 00:17:58.535 and think about what happens if the equipment 384 00:17:58.645 --> 00:18:00.975 doesn't actually keep us safe. 385 00:18:01.045 --> 00:18:03.775 It's not functioning. Alright, so we go 386 00:18:03.775 --> 00:18:04.895 through, all right, that didn't work. 387 00:18:04.915 --> 00:18:06.775 All right, we're gonna have to ditch, you know, 388 00:18:06.775 --> 00:18:07.815 that, that type of thing. 389 00:18:09.785 --> 00:18:13.155 What we really need to work on, I think, is 390 00:18:14.335 --> 00:18:19.205 spend time thinking about how this could go wrong, right? 391  $00:18:19.295 \rightarrow 00:18:23.325$ These systems that we're designing may not have the same

392 00:18:23.685 --> 00:18:28.605 pedigree as, you know, other systems onboard your airplane. 393 00:18:28.605 --> 00:18:31.005 They not, not have spent like thousands 394 00:18:31.005 --> 00:18:34.925 of hours in the sill like your, uh, flight control software. 395 00:18:34.955 --> 00:18:37.885 They could have just been what some people came up in the 396 00:18:37.885 --> 00:18:39.845 lab and said, Hey, this is gonna work for you. 397 00:18:40.385 --> 00:18:42.925 Um, so it's really important that we start to think about 398 00:18:43.565 --> 00:18:47.365 Antivert operations when we're adding a system, uh, 399 00:18:47.785 --> 00:18:49.765 for safety to the aircraft. 400 00:18:49.945 --> 00:18:52.285 Um, it's something as simple as, uh, 401 00:18:52.285 --> 00:18:55.605 we were talking at lunch about, uh, wearing parachutes in a, 402 00:18:55.905 --> 00:18:58.765 um, commercial aircraft, you know, with seats 403 00:18:58.765 --> 00:19:00.965 that aren't necessarily designed to handle that like some 404 00:19:00.965 --> 00:19:02.445 of the military guys, you know, 405 00:19:02.545 --> 00:19:05.365

and that can naturally be fatiguing on you 406 00:19:05.525 --> 00:19:08.165 because this, you're putting it into a system 407 00:19:08.705 --> 00:19:10.925 or a situation that wasn't actually designed. 408 00:19:11.505 --> 00:19:13.445 So you can get unintended oppor 409 00:19:13.465 --> 00:19:16.885 or results if you're not really, uh, paying attention. 410 00:19:18.495 --> 00:19:20.795 So with that, you know, I just thank everybody 411 00:19:20.815 --> 00:19:22.035 for listening. 412 00:19:22.075 --> 00:19:25.275 I hope you, uh, did enjoy, uh, the movie 413 00:19:25.275 --> 00:19:26.475 that I made with my kids. 414 00:19:26.615 --> 00:19:30.115 So, uh, feel free. I'm now opening up to any questions. 415 00:19:45.845 --> 00:19:49.445 All right. So no questions. Wow. All right. 416 00:19:49.495 --> 00:19:51.005 Twice I get it away. 417 00:19:51.665 --> 00:19:56.345 All right, thanks. 418 00:19:56.475 -> 00:20:00.815Thank very much. All right, you guys better.