

Seven dead in Washington state plane crash

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BOISE, Idaho -- Recovery teams searched a wooded area near Boise, Idaho, Tuesday looking for three skydivers missing after a small plane crash killed seven colleagues. The wreckage containing seven bodies of the 10 people aboard was found Monday night, the Seattle Post-Intelligencer reported. The single-engine Cessna 208 Caravan, based out of Snohomish, Wash., took off Sunday with a pilot and nine sky-diving passengers for season-ending jumps. The wreckage was discovered about 7:40 p.m. in a heavily wooded area east of White Pass in the Cascades mountain range, the newspaper said. Search officials told the newspaper they were trying to locate the remaining three passengers. A hunter reported seeing a low-flying plane and hearing a crash Sunday evening near Rimrock Lake. A search team followed the odor of fuel to the crash site, state emergency management officials said. About 50 search-and-rescue personnel from across the state, along with six planes and two helicopters resumed the search early Tuesday, the Yakima (Wash.) Herald-Republic said.

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