Plane crashes near Hiawatha airport

(KNZA)--A Cummings man escaped injury Monday afternoon after his plane crashed about a half-mile north of the Hiawatha Municipal Airport.

The Kansas Highway Patrol reports 24-year-old Colton Callaway was taking off northbound from the airport when his plane failed to take off successfully.

The 1997 aircraft crashed upright in a field just north of the runway shortly before 3:30.

Callaway was the lone occupant on board.

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