

FLIGHT LABORATORY
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00:00:00,540 --> 00:00:06,940

[Music]

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00:00:40,399 --> 00:00:46,870

>>Today we are going to be gathering the FOSS data, the photogrammetry, the flight accels,

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and also the ground vibration accels, all in one test run. And we have eight tests that

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we hope to do, four different configurations: we want to do control surface off, control

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surface on, and then two different force levels, and we want to repeat all of those tests.

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Five, four, three, two, one, start.

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00:01:07,600 --> 00:01:09,040

>>Photogrammetry is recording.

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>>Go.

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00:01:10,680 --> 00:01:12,000

>>Impact.

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00:01:12,000 --> 00:01:13,080

[Wing vibrating]

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00:01:13,080 --> 00:01:20,200

>>This is the X-56A Flex Wing set number three Strongback GVT, or Ground Vibration Test, doing a

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combination of shaker and impact hammer testing. The purpose of this test is to characterize both the left

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and the right flex wings, and we're gathering data in regards to frequency, damping, mode

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shapes, and other structural dynamic properties.

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>>Shaker stopped.

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>>It's important that we do these kinds of tests, especially with this being the flexible wing. This is not

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your traditional aircraft rigid wing, so the structural characteristics and properties will be vastly

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different. In three, two, one, impact.

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[Hammer strike]

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>>This test will actually help in our analytical

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predictions in comparing with the experimental data. So one of our next tests will be the

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full vehicle aircraft test, and that's when we combine the center body fuselage with both

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the left and right flex wings. Once we characterize

both the full vehicle as well as these individual