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Hunt begins for cause of crash that wiped out Brazilian team

By FERNANDO VERGARA and JOSHUA GOODMAN
 Associated Press

LA UNION, Colombia — Colombia's worst air crash in two decades snuffed out a storybook run by a Brazilian soccer team, and authorities are digging in trying to figure out why a chartered jetliner crashed in the Andes, killing all but six of the 77 people aboard.

The country's aviation agency said Tuesday that the British Aerospace 146's cockpit voice recorder and flight data recorder had been found among the wreckage strewn over a mountainside and were already being studied by experts.

Initially, Colombian officials said the short-haul jet suffered an electrical failure, but there was also heavy rain when the crew declared an emergency and the plane disappeared from radar just before 10 p.m. Monday.

Authorities also said they were not ruling out the possibility the aircraft ran out of fuel minutes before it was to land at Jose Maria Cordova airport outside Medellin, a report given to rescuers by a surviving flight attendant. Officials said they hoped to interview her Wednesday.

Emotional pain resonated across the region over the loss of much of the Chapecoense soccer team from southern Brazil, which just two years after working its way into Brazil's top league for the first time in decades had fought its way into the championship of one of South America's most prestigious tournaments.

The aircraft, which departed from Santa Cruz, Bolivia, was carrying the team to Wednesday's first game in the two-game Copa Sudamericana final against Atletico Nacional of Medellin. Twenty-one Brazilian journalists were traveling with the team.



AP Photo/Timothy J. Gonzalez

Oregon head coach Mark Helfrich, center, comes onto the field for an interview before the Civil War against Oregon State in Corvallis on Saturday.

Oregon lets Helfrich go after 4-8 season

Ducks went 37-16 under his coaching

By ANNE M. PETERSON
 Associated Press

Oregon has fired coach Mark Helfrich after a disappointing 4-8 season, and just two years after getting the Ducks within a victory of the program's first national championship.

Helfrich was head coach of the Ducks for four seasons, leading the team to the first College Football Playoff championship game after the 2014 season. But Oregon faltered this year with a five-game losing streak, and finished at the bottom of the Pac-12 North with just two conference wins.

After taking over when Chip Kelly left in 2013, Helfrich went 37-16. He had an \$11.6 million buyout on his contract with the Ducks.

Helfrich met with athletic director Rob Mullens on Tuesday night and was told was being dismissed. Helfrich issued a statement saying he was honored to have served at Oregon.

"It is with respect and disappointment that we receive this decision," Helfrich said. "Plain and simple — we didn't win enough games this season."

Losing streak

The Ducks started this season ranked No. 24 in the preseason AP Top 25, but lost 35-32 at Nebraska in the third week of the season, starting the team's longest losing streak since 1996.

The Ducks had a brief revival with a 30-28 victory over then-No. 11 Utah in Salt Lake City two weeks ago, but they ended the season with a 34-24 loss to rival Oregon State in the 120th Civil War game this past Saturday. The loss snapped an eight-game Oregon winning streak in the series.

Afterward, Helfrich was asked about job security.

"Nobody's job is safe in college football," he said. "That's just the nature of the beast."

Fan discontentment with Helfrich grew as the season dragged on and wins were scarce. Some questioned the wisdom of new assistant Brady Hoke's new defensive scheme, or the reliance on graduate transfers at quarterback for the past two seasons rather than long-term player development.

"Didn't win enough games. I mean, that's blunt. But that's the fact. We have to own that part of it. And own the solution," Helfrich said following the loss to the Beavers.

Success is slippery

Whatever the reason, Oregon's slide was a reminder of how hard it is to get good. And stay good.

When Helfrich was promoted into the job at the start of 2013, he had the

daunting task of replacing Kelly, who orchestrated Oregon's hyperdrive spread-option offense and led the Ducks to their first national championship game appearance in 2010. An affable native Oregonian, Helfrich had served as offensive coordinator under Kelly and recruited future Heisman Trophy winner Marcus Mariota.

Helfrich went 24-4 in his first two seasons, including a loss to Ohio State in the first College Football Playoff championship.

But last year he was challenged with replacing Mariota. He lured graduate transfer Vernon Adams from Eastern Washington, but Adams struggled with injury.

The cracks were showing in that 9-4 season, the first with fewer than 10 wins since 2007. Losses to Michigan State, then at home to Utah and Washington State pushed Oregon out of the AP Top 25 for the first time since 2009.

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OWEB is considering a grant of funds to the City of Cannon Beach for the purpose of purchasing certain property rights on approximately 28 acres in the vicinity of Cannon Beach, in Clatsop County, under Grant Application No. 217-9902. OWEB will hold a conservation easement, or third party rights of enforcement in a conservation easement, if the property rights are purchased with OWEB funds.

OWEB will hold a public hearing for the purpose of providing interested parties with a meaningful opportunity to comment on the OWEB grant application. Questions or comments about the grant application, or public hearing, are to be directed to the OWEB representative identified below.

Requests for special accommodations in order to participate in the public hearing must be made at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing. Written comments concerning the grant application must be received by OWEB on or before January 9, 2017.

The hearing will be held December 6, 2016, 1:00 pm, at Cannon Beach City Hall, 163 E. Gower, Cannon Beach, OR 97110.

OWEB Representative: Eric Williams, Grant Program Manager, 775 Summer St. NE, Suite 360, Salem, OR 97301-1290, (503) 986-0047, eric.williams@oregon.gov
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