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# **CHOPPERS!**

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## Chapter 1

# Those Amazing Machines

A forest fire is blazing. The flames are spreading faster than a man can run.

Firefighters chop down trees. They dig trenches. They race to get the fire under control.

A helicopter also helps battle the blaze. It swoops down to a nearby pond. In seconds, it sucks up enough water to fill

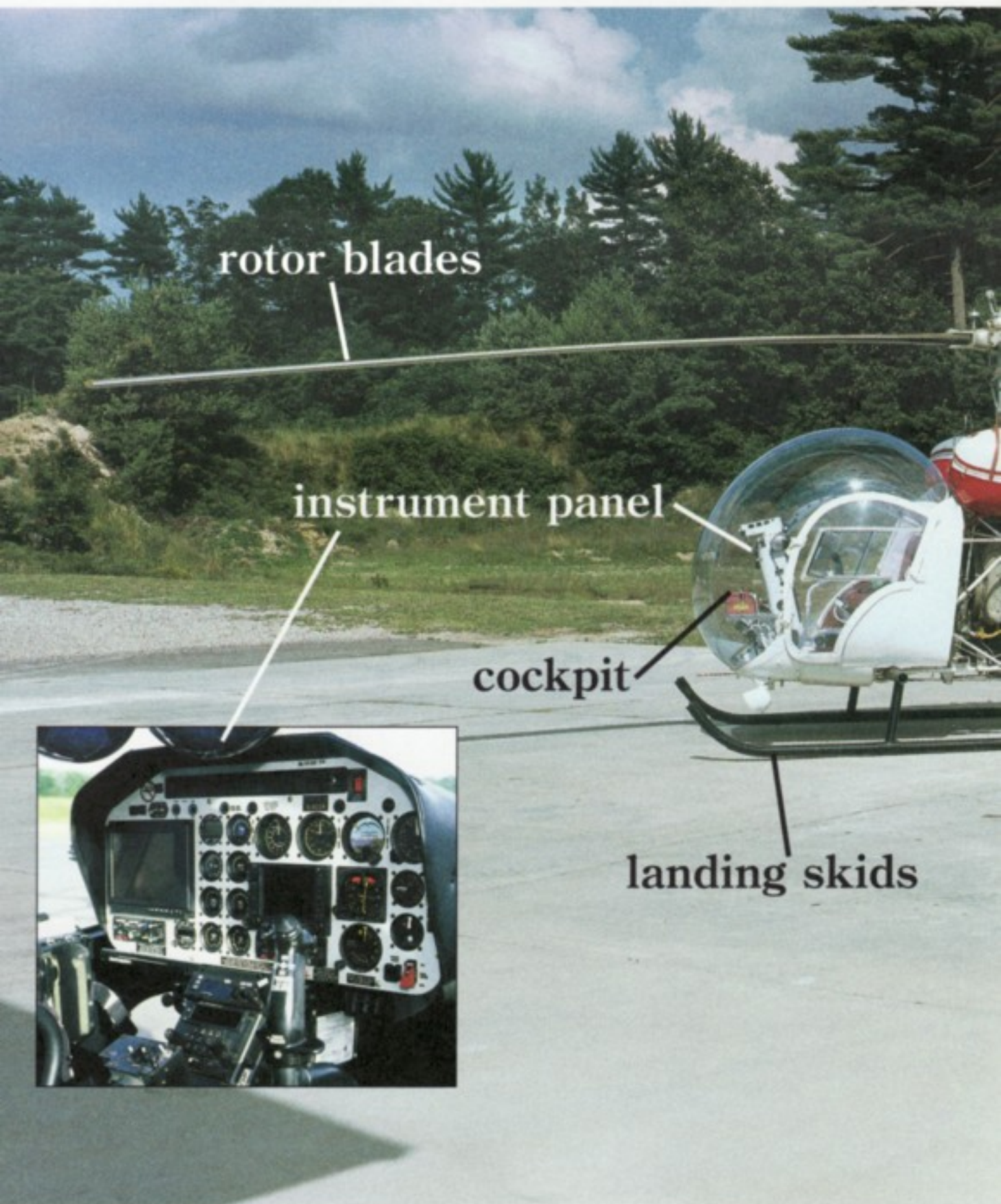




Scientists who study volcanoes use helicopters all the time. How else could they safely watch an erupting crater and see its lava up close?



Here are the basic parts of a helicopter:





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call them, choppers are amazing machines  
that go places and do things that planes can't.



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