

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 28 Oct 1951		2. LOCATION Buena Vista, Colorado		12. CONCLUSIONS ☐ Was Balloon ☐ Probably Balloon ☐ Possibly Balloon ☐ Was Aircraft ☐ Probably Aircraft ☐ Possibly Aircraft ☒ Was Astronomical Meteor ☐ Probably Astronomical ☐ Possibly Astronomical ☐ Other _____ ☐ Insufficient Data for Evaluation ☐ Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT 29/0300Z		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ☒ Ground-Visual ☐ Ground-Radar ☐ Air-Visual ☐ Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS ☐ Yes ☒ No		6. SOURCE Pilot			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 Seconds		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS 1		9. COURSE N to SW	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Color was Greenish-Blue light. Speed not estimated. Object appeared in a descending curve. Estimated angle it was descending at approximately 30 deg. After passage of the object there appeared to be a tail or incandescent glow in the the form of a tail. It changed color to sort of white color.				11. COMMENTS Evaluated as a meteor	

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SUBJECT Sighting of Unidentified Object <i>E.R. 28 Nov 51</i>		
AREA REPORTED ON Colorado	FROM (Agency) Hq Air Defense Comd, Ent AFB, Colorado Springs, Colorado	
DATE OF REPORT 14 Nov 1951	DATE OF INFORMATION 10 Nov 1951	EVALUATION
PREPARED BY (Officer) T. Fredenburgh, Major, USAF	SOURCE [REDACTED], Major, USAF 2103d Air Weather Grp, Peterson Fld, Colo	
REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)		

SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

A greenish-blue brilliant light with an incandescent glow in the form of a tail lasting about 15-20 seconds, traveling North to Southwest in a descending curve at an angle of about 30° was seen on/or about 2000 - 2030 hours, 28 October 1951, approximately seven (7) miles from Buena Vista, Colorado.

The observer is a rated pilot of the Weather Squadron indicated above. His recital was simple, direct and complete as to detail.

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On/or about 2000 - 2030 hours, 28 October 1951, I was at the base of a mountain approximately seven (7) miles South from Buena Vista, Colorado, on a hunting trip and I was sitting in a car facing Northwest. I was startled by the appearance of a very brilliant light, color was greenish-blue. This object approached from the Northeast going North to Southwest and in a descending curve. I would estimate the angle it was descending at at approximately 30°.

The object stayed within my sight approximately 30 seconds - the brilliant light that is. I wouldn't attempt to estimate the speed. After the passage of the object, there appeared to be a tail or incandescent glow in the form of a tail. It was just a glow after the light was descending. It lit up the country side, but the glow was just an incandescence in the sky. This glow lasted about 15-20 seconds and it changed color and seemed to change toward a white - the green bleached out into sort of a white color.

The only deduction I could draw from it, assuming an object had passed by, is that the speed at which it was going caused it to glow and particles from this object changed color as the temperature of the particles changed.

With a visit to the spot I could, I believe, very accurately determine the direction the light was traveling. The directions I gave previously were an estimate as the roads were only tracks along the mountains and we wove in and around, and I am not positive of the exact direction I was facing when I saw the object.

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EXTRACT FROM STATUS REPORT # 2

DATE: 28 Oct 51

TIME (Local): 2000 - 2030

LOCATION: Buena Vista, Col.

LENGTH OF TIME OBSERVED: 15-20 Seconds.

SOUND: None

SPEED: Unknown

ALTITUDE: Unknown

HEADING: N to SW

SOURCE: AF Major

ACTION OR COMMENTS: Example of green fireball phenomena. No conclusions.

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT: Greenish-blue brilliant light with an incandescent glow in the form of a tail.