

What's half the size of a football field and flies?

UFO buzzes area, spotted by policemen

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Strange lights were seen in the skies over Zillah early Thursday morning that have many people wondering about the possibility of UFOs.

One person who saw the lights close up was Brian Buschini, a reserve officer with the Zillah Police Department.

Buschini was first alerted about the lights by the Wapato Police Department who called him a few minutes before 5 a.m. to say they had seen strange lights over the Zillah area.

"I went out to take a look and I saw a light over in the Granger' Sunnyside area," he said. "I drove in

that direction to get a better look and while I was watching a red light came out of the first object.

"It just hovered there next to the first one for a few minutes and then they both continued east towards Sunnyside," said Buschini.

After seeing the UFOs, he returned to the police station and called Wapato police to say he had seen the lights. While still on the phone, the Wapato dispatcher told Buschini that another light was headed towards Zillah.

"I ran outside of the station and just looked up and I saw this thing," said Buschini. The time of the second sighting was between 5:15 and 5:30 a.m.

"It seemed fairly close to the ground, probably about a mile or so up in the air and it appeared to be the size of about half of a football field.

"The bottom of the object was oval shaped, and it was definitely a solid mass because it blocked out the stars in the sky. And there was absolutely no noise.

"All over the bottom were hundreds of bright white strobe lights blinking," said Buschini.

One side of the object was also covered with a light that kept turning different shades of green and blue while the other part was shades of red and orange. The object moved at a slow pace,

he said, and went over Zillah and moved northeast towards Rattlesnake Hill. While watching the UFO's flight, Buschini again saw the first pair of objects he viewed hovering over the Sunnyside area.

Buschini said he was not frightened by the experience, but rather when it was occurring he had a strange, calm feeling. "I have no idea what I saw, and I am not going to guess.

"I will say that they were not airplanes or helicopters. I have never seen anything like that before," he added.

He also said that the Yakima County Sheriff's Office, the Yakima Firing Range, Seattle Air Control and the Seattle UFO Tracking

Center all said that nothing had showed up on their screens or should have been in the sky that morning.

When questioned if he had seen any more lights in the sky, Buschini replied, "No comment."

Several other strange sightings are being reported by area residents, but most remain leary of saying anything about their encounters.

A Toppenish police officer, who remains unidentified, allegedly even took a picture of an object in the sky early Friday morning. Reports also said that the officer in turn has sold all rights to his photos to the Cable News Network for an undisclosed amount of money.