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## **Fireball streaks coast sky**

A mysterious meteoric fireball that hurtled in an explosive arc above the Pacific coast, dazzling stargazers for hundreds of miles, was not space junk or any man-made object, officials said. "It looked like an ordinary meteor at first but then seemed to ball up like a comet and then became a brilliant yellow fireball," said Darrell Murphy of El Sobrante north of Berkeley. "It wasn't space junk or any man-made object re-entering the atmosphere," said Del Kindschi of the North American Aerospace Defense Command. California's Office of Emergency Services in Sacramento said it had received several reports of the streaking light.