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People over hundreds of thousands of square miles watched a mysterious green light streak across the Australian sky this week. It crashed in a "giant fireball" on a farmer's land – but no fire was found despite a big police search.

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Meteorite treats residents to light fantastic

By: Erica Thompson

NO, you weren't seeing things.

Residents of Queensland and northern NSW in eastern Australia were treated to a spectacular light show last night when a mysterious green light, believed to be a meteorite, streaked across the sky.

Australian Transport Safety Bureau spokesman David Gray said it was spotted over Brisbane's bay area and the city just after 6pm.

"It was sighted from our traffic control tower and a number of aircraft in the area," he said.

"The reports we have been getting suggest it appears to be a green flare type of material."

Residents from the Gold and Sunshine coasts and even northern NSW also reported sightings.

"It could be a meteorite or space junk," Mr Gray said.

"We have no idea what it is."

It is believed the object came to rest in Warwick, on the Darling Downs, west of Brisbane, a short time later after police initially received reports of a plane crash.

A police spokeswoman said a farmer had raised the alarm after seeing a "giant fireball" on his property, but no fire was found despite an extensive search.

Peter Hall, of the Queensland Astrological Association, said it was most likely a meteorite.