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On this episode of Expedition X.

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Ready?

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My team dives into Lake Superior's deadly shipwreck coast.

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Where treacherous waters have claimed hundreds of ships and countless lives.

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I wonder why in this area particularly.

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I guess there's just something in the water here.

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There are those who believe this tragic history has led to haunting sites and sounds.

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Not just at the shore, but now over the lake.

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That is the craziest thing ever.

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To find out what's hovering above.

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I saw something that I cannot explain.

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Phil and Jess will have to search what lies beneath.

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And what their investigation uncovers.

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You had a go ship.

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Is downright terrifying.

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Is there anyone here?

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What the f***?

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Oh my god.

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Graveyard of the Great Lakes.

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My name is Josh Gates.

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In my travels I've experienced strange things that defy logic and made me question everything.

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Oh my god.

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Now I've put together a team to investigate the stranger side of the unknown.

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Let's go.

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Phil Torres is a scientist who hunts for rational explanations.

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This is the criminal who actually found a search note.

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Jessica Chobot's paranormal research has made her a true believer.

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I love my diamond.

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Let's go.

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Together we're searching for answers.

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What is that?

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To the world's most extraordinary mysteries.

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This is Expedition X.

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Alright Jess and Phil, you are in luck.

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I am so excited about this.

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I'm sending you to a place that I have always wanted to go.

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Lake Superior.

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How would you know that?

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She's wound up the notes on your desk.

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Chobot.

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Sorry.

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Don't go through my stuff.

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We'll clean your desk.

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Look.

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She's got a point.

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Alright.

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Not just Lake Superior, technically below the surface of Lake Superior.

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And the reason it's on my bucket list is that of all the Great Lakes it is the largest, it is the deepest, it is the coldest.

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And the bottom is littered with shipwrecks.

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But the shipwrecks here are just the beginning.

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Majestic Lake Superior is one of the largest freshwater lakes on Earth.

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It covers nearly 32,000 square miles and plunges 1,300 feet at its deepest point.

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Storms on Lake Superior can be even more dangerous than on the open ocean.

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Fresh water is less dense than salt water.

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With heavy winds, waves can build up faster.

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Waves nearly 30 feet high.

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On the ocean, captains can navigate around storms.

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But even on a lake this big, sometimes the only option is to sail through them.

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Often with deadly results.

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The first commercial trade vessel goes down in Lake Superior.

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A wooden ship with the ironic name Invincible sinks just two miles off Michigan's Whitefish Point.

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Over the next century and a half, Lake Superior swallows an estimated 550 vessels

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and takes the lives of thousands of sailors and passengers.

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Most of the bodies are never recovered.

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The lake's rough waters hiding a literal ship graveyard.

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Perhaps the lake's most storied victim is the SS Edmund Fitzgerald.

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In 1975, the mighty freighter carrying 26,000 tons of iron ore leaves Superior, Wisconsin,

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heading toward Detroit, Michigan.

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A fierce storm batters the ship and the Fitzgerald tragically sinks.

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All 29 crew members are lost and to this day, the wreckage lies just north of Whitefish Point.

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Unpredictable winds, navigation hazards and no safe harbors make the area around Whitefish Point particularly treacherous.

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It has claimed at least 240 ships, more than any other part of the lake, earning it the nickname, the Shipwreck Coast.

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And the tragedy along this rocky stretch has led some to believe the coastline is haunted.

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Over the years, stories have swirled about strange apparitions, unexplained sounds and voices.

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And not just on shore, divers have even reported such things under the water.

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But now, there's something new.

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Claims of mysterious lights hovering over the churning waters off Whitefish Point.

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And they've been caught on camera.

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Look at it, now there's two.

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It is the craziest thing ever.

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So, what's causing the lights?

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Could they somehow be connected to the shipwrecks below?

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And the biggest question of all, what on earth is going on at Lake Superior's deadly Shipwreck Coast?

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So, intrigued?

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Absolutely intrigued.

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Natural phenomena can occur over big bodies of water.

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That may seem mysterious at first, but ultimately have a natural explanation.

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Like sailors would claim to see lights and buzzing over the top of the ship's mast during thunderstorms.

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Say an almost fire.

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Exactly.

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I love that movie.

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It's something Dimmy Moore's best work.

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I haven't seen the movie.

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How is it possible?

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You've got to get out more.

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But regardless, this shows that a lot of these things can start mysterious, but we can figure out what it actually is.

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Jess?

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I mean, with that much pain, tragedy and death?

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Yeah, I think that part of the lake is haunted.

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No surprise here, the two of you disagree.

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Your mission is to get to Whitefish Point, investigate what's going on around and above the lake.

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Can you prove its paranormal activity, Jess or Phil?

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What is the real world rational explanation?

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You ready for this?

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Ready.

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Aye aye, Captain.

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Phil and Jess leave New York and fly 780 miles to Marquette on Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

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From there, it's a two and a half hour drive to Whitefish Point.

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It is so beautiful. You used to live here, right?

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I kind of. I lived in the lower peninsula.

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This is the Upper Peninsula, so this is considered DUP.

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So everybody that lives up here, they call themselves Uppers.

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I love that.

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Yeah.

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Such a beautiful place for so many shipwrecks.

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I wonder why in this area particularly.

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The fact that they just had to rely on seeing lighthouses on shore and not GPS and all the mapping data that we have today.

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I don't know.

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I guess there's just something in the water here.

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Oh, wow.

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Look at that.

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Yeah, you can see why they call them Great Lakes.

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Oh yeah. I mean, with this lake, you might even say.

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Don't do it, dude.

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It's superior.

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Oh my God.

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I did it.

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The shipwreck coast runs along Lake Superior's southern shore.

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The 80-mile strip of land that ends at Whitefish Point extends nearly 10 miles into the water,

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creating a treacherous bottleneck that ships entering or leaving the lake have to pass through.

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Check out the Whitefish Lighthouse.

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Wow, that's cool.

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I think it's still in use, right?

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Yeah.

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We arrive at Whitefish Point to meet Eric Rintamaki.

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You just right down there?

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Yeah, I see him.

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As a lifelong local and gem and mineral expert.

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Hey, how's it going?

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Hello.

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Eric leads groups to this beach at night to search for the region's signature Uperlite rock,

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an unusual stone rich in fluorescent sotalite that he actually discovered right here on the shore of Lake Superior.

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And it was on one of those Uperlite hunts that Eric witnessed something astonishing.

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You can see how the sandbar goes way out here.

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Uh-huh.

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So right at the tip of that sandbar, that's where the light hovered.

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All I can tell you is I saw something absolutely incredible that I cannot explain.

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We've seen the video.

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What are we missing from that that you experienced?

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Well, I happened to be doing a tour out here one night.

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Just about to get off the beach, we were trying to find our last stone of the evening.

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And one of the participants in the tour tugged on my shoulder and said,

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Eric, what are those lights back there behind us?

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I turned around, lights hovering in the sky.

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So I took my cell phone out and started recording a video.

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Look, now there's two.

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Now there's two again.

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This is the craziest thing I've ever seen in my life.

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And I watched them till 2.50, 2.55 in the morning.

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So almost two hours.

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And a ship happened to be coming through the shipping channel,

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and the ship slowly went right underneath.

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It's got to be right above the ship.

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That is the craziest thing ever.

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On the internet, I get thousands of comments of what it was.

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The most popular ones were Chinese lanterns,

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something from the government, and St. Elmo's fire.

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But they've been flares?

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No, a flare wouldn't last for two hours.

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A Chinese lantern wouldn't stay in position for two hours.

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I'm wondering, could it have been Coast Guard?

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Could it be someone's drone flying around?

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I have no clue.

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Did anybody else report seeing those lights that night?

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Afterward, I've had a lot of people tell me,

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oh, I saw the same thing, I saw the same thing, but...

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That same night or other nights?

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Uh, same night and other nights.

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Okay.

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Because look, it's almost touching the d- jeez.

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I'm a little intrigued by the idea that they're ghost lights,

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especially since there's so many shipwrecks.

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And shipwrecks where there weren't necessarily any survivors, too.

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I don't know. I can't tell you what it is.

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For centuries, there have been legends of ghost lights the world over.

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From the will of the wisps of English folklore,

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and the Luzmala, or bad light in South America,

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to reports across the U.S. of lights hovering in the sky.

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Phil thinks the lights people are seeing here

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might be some sort of optical illusion.

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But given the long, tragic history of Whitefish Point,

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I think it's possible the lights could be a manifestation from the other side.

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From those who lost their lives in one of the many shipwrecks here.

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But which shipwreck?

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And why are these lost souls making themselves visible now?

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Ready, boys?

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If the lights reappear tonight,

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I want to capture our own high-definition video for analysis.

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Already nervous.

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So I'm setting up a surveillance camera at the top of the lighthouse.

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Spiral staircase hell.

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We'll have an unobstructed view of the lake.

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I'm thinking we should point the camera out.

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All right, up over here.

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Okay.

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All right, looks like we're good.

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There's our vessel.

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I've arranged for Phil and Jess to meet with Captain Daryl Urtel.

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Hi.

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Hello.

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A seasoned shipwreck researcher who's been navigating these waters for more than 25 years.

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Let's go.

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Recently, while positioned over the wreck of a ship called the Myron,

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Daryl experienced something he can't explain.

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We were all searching the other day.

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We were coming home and we went over the Myron.

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And as we went over the Myron,

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the radar was showing a reflection off our port bow,

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but there was nothing there.

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What do you mean?

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So you saw something that looked like a ship on your radar?

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Yeah, like this is a ship right there.

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Yeah.

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But it showed one off to our port bow,

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but there was nothing out there.

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The screens all started flashing and fading in and out.

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You had a go ship.

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That was right over the Myron.

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November 1919.

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The wooden steamship SS Myron leaves Munising, Michigan,

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bound for Buffalo, New York with 18 aboard.

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Two hours after leaving port, they get caught in a heavy storm.

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60 mile an hour gale winds, accumulating snow,

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and pounding waves rip open the ship at the seams

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and take her to the bottom of Lake Superior in just four minutes.

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Rescue workers from the nearby life-saving station attempt to save the crew,

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but the sailors freezing hands can't grip the line.

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17 bodies are eventually recovered, frozen to death.

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Could the tragedy of the Myron somehow be related to the strange phenomena reported here?

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To try to answer that, my team has their work cut out for them.

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Oh, we can see it?

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Yeah.

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That's it, right?

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I've arranged for Daryl and some cutting-edge equipment

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to support their investigation above and below the surface.

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Well, it's part of it.

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That's just the part we were over the top of.

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That's the engine and boiler there.

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Crazy.

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As the sonar gives us a digital view of the Myron,

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we prepare to make a dangerous dive to see her up close and personal.

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Drop it.

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The water here is below 40 degrees,

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meaning I'll need the specialty drysuit so I don't freeze to death.

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All right, straps are good. You guys, you wait.

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If the Myron is somehow to blame for the strange lights and sounds people have encountered here,

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then I believe there must be an environmental or biological explanation.

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I'm hoping to find some answers in the depths below.

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Okay, time to dive.

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Okay, time to dive.

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00:14:08,000 --> 00:14:09,000

Okay, everybody good?

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00:14:09,000 --> 00:14:10,000

Yeah, good.

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All right, I'm just sending down the anchor line.

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Copy.

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I'm just sending down the anchor line.

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Copy.

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Look inside of me. Oh my God.

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As Phil begins his investigation of the Myron,

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Drop it.

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Daryl and the team launch a remote operated vehicle or ROV.

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This \$250,000 robot is state-of-the-art technology.

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Okay, you're going down.

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That's good stuff.

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More maneuverable than any human diver.

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It also has the ability to send a video signal to the surface.

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It'll be an extra set of eyes on Phil in case he runs into any trouble.

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Describe what you're seeing. How is it down there?

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This is really, really amazing.

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00:15:58,000 --> 00:16:02,000

Wow, look at that. That is so cool.

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00:16:02,000 --> 00:16:04,000

There they are.

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00:16:21,000 --> 00:16:23,000

There they are.

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Look at that.

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00:16:30,000 --> 00:16:36,000

It's like, look how small they are compared to just a section of what's left of the ship.

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The wreck is in really good condition.

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00:16:42,000 --> 00:16:55,000

This thing is so well preserved. Unreal.

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That's kind of crazy because it's been down there for over 100 years.

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It's legitimately frozen in time.

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How cold is it?

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It's 36 degrees. I already can't feel my fingers.

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Trying to see how far it goes.

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Most of the damage that he's coming across is all damage from the original shipwreck.

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Some divers have claimed to see strange shadows and hear unexplained noises while diving around the Myron.

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Sights and sounds that have been attributed to the paranormal.

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The more logical culprit, fish.

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Lake Superior is home to about 80 species of fish including trout, salmon, walleye, sturgeon and pike.

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But strangely, the fish are not as big as the other ones.

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But strangely, I don't see any down here.

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This is weird, Jim, but I'm not seeing anything at all swimming around here. I expected to see way more light.

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Another possible explanation for the reports of strange sounds is the deterioration and the slow collapse of the wreck itself.

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Even though I'm freezing my butt off right now, Lake Superior is actually getting warmer every year.

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And warmer waters create more hospitable conditions for invasive organisms like zebra mussels that are known to wreak havoc on shipwrecks.

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But I'm not seeing any evidence of that on the Myron.

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Select a good zone down here.

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As for the lights people have reported above the surface here, the only thing that could even possibly glow down here are mineral rich rocks like Eric's Uprolights.

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But I have a hard time believing that has anything to do with the lights he recorded on camera.

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I'm near the river, starting to ascend to the surface.

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00:19:25,000 --> 00:19:26,000

Got hypothermia yet?

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00:19:26,000 --> 00:19:29,000

Oh, yeah. It was incredible.

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But why don't we get you guys warm?

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00:19:34,000 --> 00:19:43,000

With Phil unable to come up with any biological or environmental reasons for the strange activity reported here, it's time to put my theory to the test.

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I believe it's possible that the tragic deaths of the Myron sailors could be causing both the lights in the sky and the strange sights and sounds reported below the surface.

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I'm not letting you get out of this. You're gonna contribute.

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00:19:57,000 --> 00:20:02,000

Without any scientific explanations to offer, Phil's getting drafted into the ghost hunt.

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00:20:04,000 --> 00:20:08,000

So I'm gonna drop the hydrophone down. I'll ask the questions for the EVP.

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00:20:08,000 --> 00:20:12,000

I want you to listen in on the headphones and let me know if you hear anything weird.

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00:20:12,000 --> 00:20:13,000

Okay.

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00:20:13,000 --> 00:20:14,000

So these are for you, sir.

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00:20:21,000 --> 00:20:24,000

Let me start recording so we get everything right away.

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The hydrophone can record audio underwater that we can't hear from the surface.

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Can you hear anything?

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00:20:30,000 --> 00:20:31,000

Nothing.

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00:20:33,000 --> 00:20:34,000

Yeah.

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00:20:34,000 --> 00:20:35,000

Yeah? Okay.

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My hope is that my questions will get the attention of any spirits who remain here and will pick up their responses.

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00:20:41,000 --> 00:20:45,000

To avoid any noise pollution, we kill the engine.

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Good?

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00:20:48,000 --> 00:20:49,000

Here we go.

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00:20:49,000 --> 00:20:50,000

Ready?

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00:20:50,000 --> 00:20:51,000

Engine off.

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00:20:54,000 --> 00:20:55,000

Engine off.

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00:21:02,000 --> 00:21:05,000

Are there any sailors with us right now?

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00:21:11,000 --> 00:21:13,000

Did you freeze to death when the Myron went down?

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00:21:20,000 --> 00:21:21,000

What's your name?

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Are you causing the lights to appear over Lake Superior?

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00:21:31,000 --> 00:21:32,000

Would you hear something?

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00:21:32,000 --> 00:21:34,000

I just heard some low humming.

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00:21:34,000 --> 00:21:35,000

Engine's still off here, right?

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00:21:35,000 --> 00:21:36,000

Yeah, engine's off.

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00:21:36,000 --> 00:21:37,000

You heard humming?

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00:21:45,000 --> 00:21:48,000

Are you causing the lights to appear over Lake Superior?

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Would you hear something?

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00:21:51,000 --> 00:21:53,000

I just heard some low humming.

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00:21:53,000 --> 00:21:54,000

Engine's still off here, right?

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00:21:54,000 --> 00:21:55,000

Yeah, engine's off.

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00:21:55,000 --> 00:21:56,000

You heard humming?

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00:22:05,000 --> 00:22:06,000

It almost sounds mechanical.

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00:22:06,000 --> 00:22:07,000

It's weird.

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00:22:11,000 --> 00:22:12,000

When did your ship go down?

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00:22:12,000 --> 00:22:13,000

When did your ship go down?

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00:22:19,000 --> 00:22:22,000

Bill continues to listen to the headphones for several more minutes,

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but that strange mechanical hum he heard has gone quiet.

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00:22:27,000 --> 00:22:32,000

It's super hard to tell because I still hear all the splashing around us,

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00:22:32,000 --> 00:22:35,000

but it's really hard to tell.

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The sound travels way further underwater.

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Maybe it was another boat that we can't see out here.

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00:22:42,000 --> 00:22:43,000

Should we bring it up?

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00:22:43,000 --> 00:22:44,000

Yeah, let's bring it up.

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Just want to make sure it saves.

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After several hours on the open water,

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we head back to the Whitefish Point dock.

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So far, we've investigated under the water.

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I continue to monitor for activity above the water with our surveillance camera.

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And now, Josh is calling with some news.

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00:23:03,000 --> 00:23:04,000

Hi!

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00:23:04,000 --> 00:23:05,000

Hey, Josh.

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00:23:05,000 --> 00:23:07,000

How's it going in the upper peninsula?

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00:23:07,000 --> 00:23:09,000

Oh, we're just upping it up up here.

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00:23:09,000 --> 00:23:11,000

That means you cracked the mystery lights then?

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00:23:11,000 --> 00:23:13,000

No, I wouldn't say that.

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It more so means that Jessica's Michigan accent is coming out more and more every day.

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00:23:17,000 --> 00:23:18,000

Whatever, right?

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00:23:18,000 --> 00:23:20,000

So the reason I'm calling is I actually have good news.

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I did some digging and I came up with another recent report of mysterious lights in the area.

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Only this time, it is not over the water.

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It's being reported on shore.

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It's coming from a former life-saving station that is literally just a few miles from where you are.

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That's where they would have launched the boats to try to rescue the shipwrecks.

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Yeah, when they tried to save sailors from sinking ships like the Myron.

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That's right. This station is where sailors would be brought.

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It is also where they would keep the recovered bodies of sailors who didn't make it.

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Now, the place is nearly abandoned.

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Access to it is really restricted.

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But there is a scientist who's living there and I have arranged for the two of you to meet him.

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00:24:00,000 --> 00:24:01,000

Really?

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00:24:01,000 --> 00:24:02,000

Yeah.

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00:24:02,000 --> 00:24:06,000

Maybe you can find a possible link between whatever's happening there and the lights above the water.

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00:24:06,000 --> 00:24:08,000

Okay, that's cool.

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00:24:08,000 --> 00:24:11,000

Alright, we'll go talk to this guy and figure out what's going on out there.

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Phil and Jess trade in their boats for all-terrain vehicles

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and set out toward the former Vermillion life-saving station.

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It's seven miles down an old logging road flanked by thick pine forest

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that's home to all manner of Michigan wildlife.

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Things like wolves and bears that you probably don't want to slow down for.

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00:24:35,000 --> 00:24:36,000

Whoa, Jess!

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00:24:36,000 --> 00:24:38,000

Unless you're Phil.

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00:24:38,000 --> 00:24:40,000

Jess, check this out.

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00:24:40,000 --> 00:24:41,000

Look at the size of that track.

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00:24:41,000 --> 00:24:43,000

Oh, there's its toes!

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00:24:43,000 --> 00:24:45,000

That's not a small bear. Look at the size of that footpath.

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00:24:45,000 --> 00:24:46,000

That is huge.

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00:24:46,000 --> 00:24:47,000

Yeah, that's big.

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00:24:47,000 --> 00:24:49,000

You got toes up here. You got a heel.

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00:24:49,000 --> 00:24:51,000

Another one right there.

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00:24:51,000 --> 00:24:52,000

Yeah.

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00:24:52,000 --> 00:24:54,000

So it looks like he crossed over the road.

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00:24:57,000 --> 00:24:59,000

Check out these deer tracks.

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00:24:59,000 --> 00:25:00,000

See how much spray is behind them?

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00:25:00,000 --> 00:25:02,000

That means there was running to you here.

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00:25:02,000 --> 00:25:03,000

Oh, yeah.

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00:25:03,000 --> 00:25:05,000

And this is bigger. This could be a moose.

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00:25:05,000 --> 00:25:06,000

No way, really?

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00:25:06,000 --> 00:25:11,000

Tracks like these come from animals that can sometimes make eerily human sounds

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like a fawn crying out for help.

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We got running deer. We got running moose.

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It's friggin' wild kingdom up in here.

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The Vermillion life-saving station was built in 1876

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back when ships had no radios

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and the upper peninsula was sparsely populated.

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Sailors were pretty much on their own in the treacherous waters of Southern Lake Superior.

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The station's purpose was to help rescue those in distress close to shore,

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but often those rescue efforts only recovered bodies,

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like those from the ill-fated SS Myron.

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With the advance of maritime technology,

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the Coast Guard closed the station in 1944.

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The site that once saw so much death now operates as a nature preserve

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00:26:00,000 --> 00:26:03,000

and its current inhabitant is Isaac Lutzenheiser.

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00:26:03,000 --> 00:26:04,000

You must be Isaac.

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00:26:04,000 --> 00:26:05,000

Yes, I'm Isaac.

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A conservation scientist who monitors the populations of federally endangered birds in the area.

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We're here trying to research the ghost lights on Lake Superior.

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But he knows all about Vermillion's reportedly haunted history.

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I've definitely heard some pretty creepy stories.

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A group of gallows gone here on a college retreat.

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There were some weird lights spotted at the top of the lighthouse.

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These lights were green.

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Does it work?

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Yeah, the lighthouse produces a very dim light that flashes throughout the night.

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00:26:41,000 --> 00:26:45,000

Okay, but not like a green color or anything to like explain why those girls saw that.

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00:26:45,000 --> 00:26:46,000

Exactly.

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And there was one gal who woke up in the middle of the night

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00:26:51,000 --> 00:26:55,000

with a ghostly apparition of a man standing at the foot of her bed.

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00:26:56,000 --> 00:26:58,000

How do you feel being alone here?

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00:26:58,000 --> 00:27:00,000

I will admit it's kind of eerie.

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00:27:01,000 --> 00:27:05,000

I have a key to get inside the lighthouse and I'm going to explore it a little bit.

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00:27:05,000 --> 00:27:09,000

You definitely have this overwhelming feeling that you're not alone.

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What about sounds? Do people claim they hear things or just see apparitions?

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There was one group of gallows up on this dune up here

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00:27:19,000 --> 00:27:24,000

and they reported hearing someone talking in the middle of nowhere.

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00:27:24,000 --> 00:27:25,000

That's weird.

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And for you as a biologist who works with birds, do you think that they may have just heard wildlife?

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It's quite possible.

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I mean, I'm always up for debate on what might have actually been experienced.

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Isaac is stationed here to monitor the local population of endangered piping clover birds.

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The sounds they make are quite high-pitched.

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But maybe from a distance in the right atmosphere conditions, they could be mistaken for human voices.

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00:27:54,000 --> 00:27:59,000

Well, do you mind if we kind of camp out here tonight and investigate the space?

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00:27:59,000 --> 00:28:00,000

Yeah, I won't be here.

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00:28:00,000 --> 00:28:03,000

So you guys are more than welcome to have access to the lighthouse.

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00:28:03,000 --> 00:28:04,000

Thank you.

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00:28:04,000 --> 00:28:05,000

Yeah, of course. Good luck, guys.

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00:28:07,000 --> 00:28:11,000

Since the reports of paranormal activity here all happened at night,

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00:28:12,000 --> 00:28:15,000

we make plans to begin our sweep as soon as the sun sets.

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00:28:17,000 --> 00:28:21,000

We start with an external temperature reading of the house using the thermal camera.

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00:28:21,000 --> 00:28:24,000

Don't worry about it. Let's see what we can find on this.

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00:28:26,000 --> 00:28:31,000

I'm thinking we might detect something warm-blooded living in or just outside of the building.

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00:28:31,000 --> 00:28:37,000

An nocturnal animal like a fox or wolf that could be responsible for the sounds people report.

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00:28:38,000 --> 00:28:42,000

I just saw somebody walking in there and there's no one here but us.

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00:28:44,000 --> 00:28:45,000

Do you see light?

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00:28:46,000 --> 00:28:47,000

Yeah, what the f***?

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00:28:50,000 --> 00:28:52,000

Definitely someone inside that house.

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00:28:55,000 --> 00:28:56,000

See light?

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00:28:56,000 --> 00:28:57,000

Yeah, the light there.

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00:28:57,000 --> 00:28:58,000

Oh, right there, right there.

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00:28:59,000 --> 00:29:00,000

Okay.

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00:29:01,000 --> 00:29:03,000

So, none of us are in there.

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00:29:04,000 --> 00:29:08,000

There should be no electricity in the house except for up at the light.

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00:29:11,000 --> 00:29:12,000

Want to go inside?

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00:29:12,000 --> 00:29:13,000

Yeah.

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00:29:20,000 --> 00:29:21,000

Hello?

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00:29:24,000 --> 00:29:25,000

Is there anyone here?

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00:29:27,000 --> 00:29:30,000

Injured end-to-sea sailors were brought here for decades,

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00:29:30,000 --> 00:29:33,000

so I wouldn't be surprised if restless souls remain.

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00:29:33,000 --> 00:29:34,000

Jess, this door's locked.

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00:29:36,000 --> 00:29:38,000

Is there anyone who could have come in or out of that?

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00:29:40,000 --> 00:29:43,000

Jess, we absolutely saw a light on inside here.

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00:29:43,000 --> 00:29:44,000

Yeah, let's go upstairs.

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00:29:56,000 --> 00:29:58,000

Alright, let's put the robot out.

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The REM pod emits an electromagnetic field around an antenna.

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If anything enters this energy bubble, which has a radius of about three feet,

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the device makes an alert.

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00:30:15,000 --> 00:30:17,000

Walk past, I want to see if you can act.

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00:30:17,000 --> 00:30:18,000

Yeah.

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00:30:18,000 --> 00:30:19,000

It's working.

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00:30:19,000 --> 00:30:20,000

I've got to go and check it.

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00:30:21,000 --> 00:30:22,000

Why is it so hot?

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00:30:22,000 --> 00:30:25,000

I thought it was supposed to make things cold or not hotter.

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00:30:25,000 --> 00:30:26,000

It's insane.

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00:30:29,000 --> 00:30:34,000

Are you the person that people say they see when they stay here?

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00:30:40,000 --> 00:30:41,000

Let's go downstairs.

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00:30:46,000 --> 00:30:49,000

As we continue looking for whatever that mysterious light was,

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00:30:49,000 --> 00:30:53,000

I break out the Structured Light Sensor, or SLS camera.

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It's a unique piece of tech that has an infrared light source

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and software that supposedly detects paranormal entities

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by recognizing unique movements of the human body.

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If a person or spirit appears in front of the SLS,

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it shows up as a stick figure outline.

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Can we test it?

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I'm going to jump up front of you.

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00:31:11,000 --> 00:31:12,000

Yeah.

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00:31:12,000 --> 00:31:14,000

If you want to see it, make sure it's working as it's supposed to.

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00:31:15,000 --> 00:31:16,000

Yeah, it's working.

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That's wild.

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That's you.

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Is there anyone in the room with us?

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Do you live here at the life-saving station?

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Where you brought here after your ship went down in a storm?

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What's the high pitch noise?

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00:31:40,000 --> 00:31:41,000

Is that the ground?

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00:31:41,000 --> 00:31:42,000

That's the high pitch noise.

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00:31:42,000 --> 00:31:43,000

What's the high pitch noise?

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00:31:43,000 --> 00:31:44,000

That's the ground.

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00:31:44,000 --> 00:31:45,000

That's the high pitch noise.

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00:31:45,000 --> 00:31:46,000

That's the high pitch noise.

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00:31:46,000 --> 00:31:47,000

That's the high pitch noise.

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00:31:47,000 --> 00:31:48,000

Is that the ground?

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00:31:48,000 --> 00:31:49,000

That's the ground.

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00:31:53,000 --> 00:31:54,000

Oh, would you stop?

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00:31:55,000 --> 00:31:56,000

Hello?

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00:31:56,000 --> 00:31:57,000

Is there anyone up here?

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00:32:04,000 --> 00:32:05,000

Oh, my God.

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00:32:17,000 --> 00:32:26,000

I just want to know how we were all downstairs.

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00:32:34,000 --> 00:32:38,000

Just that's proximity and EM going off.

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That's saying it's been...

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00:32:39,000 --> 00:32:40,000

Oh!

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00:32:40,000 --> 00:32:41,000

What the f***?

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00:32:41,000 --> 00:32:42,000

Oh, my God.

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00:32:47,000 --> 00:32:48,000

She's lost it.

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00:32:51,000 --> 00:32:52,000

Oh, my God.

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00:32:57,000 --> 00:32:58,000

I'll call it a ghost.

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00:32:58,000 --> 00:33:00,000

You can call it whatever you're comfortable with, Phil.

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00:33:02,000 --> 00:33:06,000

I guess the one thing I'm concerned about is there's so many of us up here.

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Okay, I'm down for a split now.

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00:33:08,000 --> 00:33:11,000

If you want you and half the crew, head outside.

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00:33:12,000 --> 00:33:13,000

Yeah.

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00:33:13,000 --> 00:33:17,000

While Jess stays in the lighthouse to try and track whatever caused those hits on her devices,

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I head out to investigate the reports of disembodied voices.

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There's no shortage of wildlife out here.

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It's possible certain animal vocalizations could be mistaken for human voices.

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This is the coastline.

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But I also know that this very stretch of sand between Vermillion and Whitefish Point

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is a designated high-erosion area.

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That means that the habitat and, in turn, the wildlife populations are under constant threat.

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See these little footprints?

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These are the good ones you want to see.

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These are probably footprints of the piping plover, which is the endangered bird

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that Isaac is here studying and monitoring.

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Gotta do a loop around the old life-saving station.

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See what you can find.

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00:34:09,000 --> 00:34:11,000

Look at this.

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00:34:35,000 --> 00:34:36,000

Sound of light voices?

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00:34:39,000 --> 00:34:41,000

I think just bullfrogs gone.

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I like this.

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This lakeside marsh is an ideal habitat not just for bullfrogs and birds,

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but also for small mammals like beavers, muskrats, and raccoons.

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All of which make sounds that could be misidentified as human voices.

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Big, big forest edge with some kind of marsh.

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So this is a really good location to bust out the fleer camera

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and we're going to basically look for a thermal hit on any wildlife around here.

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Let's see what we can find on this.

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The forest seems so thick when you look at it with your eyes

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and then look at it with the thermal and it just sees through everything.

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00:35:34,000 --> 00:35:36,000

Sound of wind blowing

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00:35:41,000 --> 00:35:42,000

Hello?

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00:35:52,000 --> 00:35:53,000

Is there anyone there?

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00:35:58,000 --> 00:35:59,000

It's the REM pod.

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00:36:02,000 --> 00:36:03,000

That thing is going off.

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00:36:05,000 --> 00:36:08,000

Oh my God, is that Morse code?

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With over 3,000 miles of shoreline,

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Michigan has more lighthouses than any other state in the country.

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124 of them.

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And it's believed that many of these lighthouses are haunted.

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Take the curious case of the Southhaven lighthouse

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where Captain James S. Donahue is appointed keeper in 1874.

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Despite having lost a leg in the Civil War,

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he maintains the light by climbing steep stairs every day

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and navigating icy walkways in winter.

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He reportedly never misses a day or should I say a night of work in 35 years.

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Today, visitors claim that around the lighthouse,

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they hear disembodied voices and footsteps with a slightly odd rhythm,

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like the sound of a one-legged man getting around on crutches.

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Some say that Captain Donahue is still there keeping watch.

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But then again, they might just be pulling your leg.

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00:37:20,000 --> 00:37:22,000

Oh my God, is that Morse code?

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00:37:29,000 --> 00:37:31,000

Well, holy...

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That was a lot. That was a lot.

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A REM pod potentially sounding off in Morse code would be a first for me.

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But given that we're inside a former life-saving station,

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I'm not ready to rule it out just yet.

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I mean, I don't know what else to say. This place is haunted.

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We'll have to further analyze the audio recordings to see if this might have been a myth.

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Jess, how you doing in there?

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I don't know. We think we might have gotten some Morse code across the REM pod.

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Uh, that's crazy.

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00:38:04,000 --> 00:38:08,000

Yeah, but I actually think whatever was in here with us is tapped out.

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00:38:08,000 --> 00:38:12,000

Oh yeah, well, I think I should head back and meet up with you.

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00:38:12,000 --> 00:38:13,000

Yeah.

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00:38:13,000 --> 00:38:15,000

I think we should go back and meet up with you.

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00:38:15,000 --> 00:38:18,000

Yeah, I think we should go back and meet up with you.

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00:38:18,000 --> 00:38:20,000

I think we should go back and meet up with you.

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00:38:20,000 --> 00:38:23,000

Okay, well, I think I should head back and meet up with you.

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Yeah, um, meet me back up at the house, yeah.

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I'll be there soon.

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Tell me.

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I mean, I know I should be more excited right now and I'm super stoked,

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but I'm so emotionally drained because so much happened tonight.

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Like, I don't even know how to wrap my head around it, honestly.

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So, my aunt heard frog or an owl or something that sounded a little talky.

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I could see how people could maybe think they're hearing some voices out there

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deep in the woods when really it's wildlife.

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Yeah.

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There's so much tragic history here.

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It's the perfect place for a ghost story.

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It's the perfect place for ghosts.

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The waters off Lake Superior's deadly shipwreck coast hide a literal graveyard

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that serves as a stark reminder of the area's tragic past.

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Nothing is so wrong with the camera.

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It's legitimately frozen in time.

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The question is, could the echoes of all that tragedy somehow make their way above the surface

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in the form of strange sounds and lights?

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That is the craziest thing ever.

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Jess's surveillance camera atop the Whitefish Point lighthouse.

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I think we should point the camera out right up over here.

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Yielded no new sightings of the mysterious lights reported here.

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But Phil might have found natural explanations for at least some of the reported sounds.

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These are probably footprints of the piping clover.

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My team also captured a mechanical hum under the waves on the hydrophone.

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I just heard some low humming.

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Engine's off. You heard humming?

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It almost sounds mechanical.

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Yet there were no other vessels visibly around them.

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And then there's the flurry of activity Jess's devices detected at the life-saving station.

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Is that Morse code?

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We ran the REM pod audio through a digital Morse code translator, and the results are in.

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Some of the sounds did in fact register as letters in Morse code.

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But the team struggled to identify any words.

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Until they isolated this.

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It translates to N-E-E-A-I-R.

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Which some could speculate means need air.

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Wireless telegraph technology came into use on Lake Superior in the early 20th century.

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While I'd call the evidence inconclusive,

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believers would suggest the sounds recorded by my team could be a reverberation from a tragic moment in time.

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Perhaps a lost soul attempting to make contact from the other side.

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00:41:08,000 --> 00:41:10,000

Oh right there, right there.

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But one thing is certain.

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The wrecks on the floor of this frigid lake and the ghost stories of Michigan's shipwreck coast aren't going away anytime soon.