



1  
00:00:04,670 --> 00:00:02,810  
I got up to the point where this logging

2  
00:00:08,030 --> 00:00:04,680  
debris was and I was looking up at a

3  
00:00:10,910 --> 00:00:08,040  
fairly steep angle it was about uh 20 or

4  
00:00:14,570 --> 00:00:10,920  
25 feet in in the air maybe maybe less

5  
00:00:19,189 --> 00:00:14,580  
that's low and how big would you say it

6  
00:00:25,570 --> 00:00:21,189  
pretty much filled up the available

7  
00:00:28,849 --> 00:00:25,580  
clearing space there oh probably about

8  
00:00:30,950 --> 00:00:28,859  
25-30 feet in diameter it's it's really

9  
00:00:33,470 --> 00:00:30,960  
hard to estimate because you know it's

10  
00:00:36,350 --> 00:00:33,480  
up in the air sure and there's nothing

11  
00:00:39,530 --> 00:00:36,360  
around that you can compare the size to

12  
00:00:41,209 --> 00:00:39,540  
you know that's true okay but we're

13  
00:00:43,729 --> 00:00:41,219

talking about something fairly large

14

00:00:45,889 --> 00:00:43,739

fairly low to the ground and very

15

00:00:48,590 --> 00:00:45,899

distinct you know this this wasn't any

16

00:00:50,389 --> 00:00:48,600

kind of hazy thing and the light from it

17

00:00:52,790 --> 00:00:50,399

was not so bright that I couldn't see

18

00:00:54,590 --> 00:00:52,800

the the surface very distinctly good

19

00:00:56,450 --> 00:00:54,600

observation so you weren't being blinded

20

00:00:58,910 --> 00:00:56,460

in any way or your view is not being

21

00:01:01,069 --> 00:00:58,920

obstructed right and your head was all

22

00:01:04,369 --> 00:01:01,079

clear there wasn't a sense of dreaminess

23

00:01:07,670 --> 00:01:04,379

or Haze no okay a lot of fear though

24

00:01:09,289 --> 00:01:07,680

especially the the closer I got wow well

25

00:01:13,429 --> 00:01:09,299

that usually heightens people's senses

26  
00:01:15,109 --> 00:01:13,439  
doesn't it yeah okay now why when you

27  
00:01:16,850 --> 00:01:15,119  
started to feel the fear did you not

28  
00:01:18,350 --> 00:01:16,860  
just immediately turn around and bolt

29  
00:01:18,890 --> 00:01:18,360  
well

30  
00:01:21,950 --> 00:01:18,900  
um

31  
00:01:23,630 --> 00:01:21,960  
I was you know feeling the the need

32  
00:01:25,190 --> 00:01:23,640  
those guys were yelling get the hell out

33  
00:01:30,050 --> 00:01:25,200  
of there get away from there you know

34  
00:01:32,030 --> 00:01:30,060  
and uh but as I had gotten closer to it

35  
00:01:34,969 --> 00:01:32,040  
I could hear the sound it was making and

36  
00:01:38,090 --> 00:01:34,979  
and uh

37  
00:01:40,670 --> 00:01:38,100  
at at the point that I was you know got

38  
00:01:43,490 --> 00:01:40,680

up near these the logging debris this

39

00:01:45,530 --> 00:01:43,500  
these you know Limbs and and brush and

40

00:01:47,990 --> 00:01:45,540  
stuff that was there

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00:01:50,810 --> 00:01:48,000  
um the thing suddenly started to to make

42

00:01:54,230 --> 00:01:50,820  
this sort of uh revolving sort of a

43

00:01:56,450 --> 00:01:54,240  
rocking motion ah interesting we didn't

44

00:01:58,670 --> 00:01:56,460  
start spinning in the air the same side

45

00:02:01,490 --> 00:01:58,680  
stayed toward me but but it just made a

46

00:02:04,550 --> 00:02:01,500  
sort of a a rocky motion and raised up

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00:02:08,389 --> 00:02:04,560  
and the sound you know it suddenly had

48

00:02:10,130 --> 00:02:08,399  
this real powerful uh uh increase in the

49

00:02:13,970 --> 00:02:10,140  
volume to the sound it just you know

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00:02:16,970 --> 00:02:13,980  
seemed to vibrate my whole body and uh

51  
00:02:20,449 --> 00:02:16,980  
that scared me so much that I I didn't I

52  
00:02:22,190 --> 00:02:20,459  
didn't run back to the truck I ran uh or

53  
00:02:25,670 --> 00:02:22,200  
I jumped down behind the end of a log

54  
00:02:26,930 --> 00:02:25,680  
there just you know to for cover you

55  
00:02:30,110 --> 00:02:26,940  
know yes

56  
00:02:32,990 --> 00:02:30,120  
yes oh goodness so now with the

57  
00:02:35,150 --> 00:02:33,000  
vibration or the sound other than making

58  
00:02:37,490 --> 00:02:35,160  
you realize up something's changing this

59  
00:02:41,150 --> 00:02:37,500  
is getting scary was it physically

60  
00:02:43,430 --> 00:02:41,160  
painful or uncomfortable no it wasn't a

61  
00:02:45,110 --> 00:02:43,440  
painful like that but it was just so

62  
00:02:47,570 --> 00:02:45,120  
powerful it was just

63  
00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:47,580

and it seemed to be you know so many

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00:02:53,210 --> 00:02:50,400

frequencies all mixed together and

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00:02:56,390 --> 00:02:53,220

have you ever heard any sound remotely

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00:02:58,070 --> 00:02:56,400

like that before or since oh no I mean

67

00:03:00,410 --> 00:02:58,080

you know I could compare it to a lot of

68

00:03:02,809 --> 00:03:00,420

different things but you know there's so

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00:03:03,910 --> 00:03:02,819

there was a sort of a mechanical sort of

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00:03:08,530 --> 00:03:03,920

a high

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00:03:11,630 --> 00:03:08,540

rapid spinning sort of a scraping or

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00:03:15,530 --> 00:03:11,640

turbine sort of a sound but it was it

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00:03:20,290 --> 00:03:15,540

was a wine a high frequency wine thing

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00:03:24,290 --> 00:03:20,300

with this extremely low rumbling uh

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00:03:26,809 --> 00:03:24,300

sound you're very observant Travis yeah

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00:03:29,030 --> 00:03:26,819

good and uh

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00:03:32,030 --> 00:03:29,040

you know it seemed like it might even go

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00:03:34,250 --> 00:03:32,040

off the range of human hearing uh on

79

00:03:36,229 --> 00:03:34,260

both ends because you know how that

80

00:03:38,930 --> 00:03:36,239

funny feeling in your ears when when

81

00:03:42,649 --> 00:03:38,940

there's a sound that's too high or too

82

00:03:46,070 --> 00:03:42,659

low to really hear yes yes yes it was

83

00:03:49,490 --> 00:03:46,080

right there did start to sort of come

84

00:03:51,110 --> 00:03:49,500

alive when when Travis uh the closer he

85

00:03:52,729 --> 00:03:51,120

got to it and like when it got right up

86

00:03:57,430 --> 00:03:52,739

nearly under it

87

00:04:00,110 --> 00:03:57,440

uh it was Swain and seemed to be

88

00:04:03,050 --> 00:04:00,120

oscillating like moving sort of like a

89

00:04:06,710 --> 00:04:03,060

top but not real rapidly just a slow

90

00:04:08,869 --> 00:04:06,720

wobble uh like a top wobble when it's

91

00:04:10,369 --> 00:04:08,879

yeah spinning and then it starts to slow

92

00:04:13,910 --> 00:04:10,379

down it's getting ready to fall over it

93

00:04:16,729 --> 00:04:13,920

yeah good description oh

94

00:04:20,509 --> 00:04:16,739

and like I say I'm not just giving my

95

00:04:22,550 --> 00:04:20,519

own you know here I'm going by what all

96

00:04:26,270 --> 00:04:22,560

the other guys have had to say also okay

97

00:04:28,610 --> 00:04:26,280

helpful anyway it uh

98

00:04:32,350 --> 00:04:28,620

it had this motion to it and it also had

99

00:04:35,090 --> 00:04:32,360

had this sound that Travis has described

100

00:04:36,950 --> 00:04:35,100

that he did a good job of that how far

101  
00:04:39,129 --> 00:04:36,960  
was your truck from where Travis was

102  
00:04:43,909 --> 00:04:39,139  
standing so we have a sense of distance

103  
00:04:45,710 --> 00:04:43,919  
well it was uh at least 75 possibly 100

104  
00:04:48,590 --> 00:04:45,720  
feet it wasn't more than 100 feet

105  
00:04:52,370 --> 00:04:48,600  
because later in fact years later I

106  
00:04:56,330 --> 00:04:52,380  
actually measured it at the site uh we

107  
00:04:59,510 --> 00:04:56,340  
knew where the thing was it was uh there

108  
00:05:01,550 --> 00:04:59,520  
was a tree a tree back behind it on the

109  
00:05:03,409 --> 00:05:01,560  
ridge a tall tree that you could see

110  
00:05:05,330 --> 00:05:03,419  
came up and actually

111  
00:05:07,730 --> 00:05:05,340  
I went behind just the very top of it

112  
00:05:09,469 --> 00:05:07,740  
went behind the thing and and I could

113  
00:05:12,350 --> 00:05:09,479

tell from that that it was in front of

114

00:05:14,330 --> 00:05:12,360

that tree at least but it was a

115

00:05:16,850 --> 00:05:14,340

a clearing where there are a lot of

116

00:05:18,350 --> 00:05:16,860

large trees around in the the thing was

117

00:05:22,629 --> 00:05:18,360

uh

118

00:05:24,650 --> 00:05:22,639

all hovering 15 20 feet above the ground

119

00:05:26,930 --> 00:05:24,660

suspended there in the air until he

120

00:05:30,770 --> 00:05:26,940

walked up there and and then it started

121

00:05:33,110 --> 00:05:30,780

making this motion nice and uh when we

122

00:05:34,670 --> 00:05:33,120

measured when I did measure it uh it was

123

00:05:37,270 --> 00:05:34,680

it was

124

00:05:40,490 --> 00:05:37,280

probably about 90 feet

125

00:05:41,990 --> 00:05:40,500

to maybe the center of it you know on

126  
00:05:42,890 --> 00:05:42,000  
the ground right below where it would

127  
00:05:46,610 --> 00:05:42,900  
have been

128  
00:05:49,310 --> 00:05:46,620  
okay all right so you're about 75 to 100

129  
00:05:52,249 --> 00:05:49,320  
feet away the other people in the track

130  
00:05:53,749 --> 00:05:52,259  
certainly had a a clearer view than you

131  
00:05:55,969 --> 00:05:53,759  
but you're summing up everybody's

132  
00:05:59,210 --> 00:05:55,979  
statements and you did see it wobbling

133  
00:06:03,230 --> 00:05:59,220  
you did see the light and what did you

134  
00:06:05,749 --> 00:06:03,240  
see observe when Travis reported getting

135  
00:06:07,790 --> 00:06:05,759  
the sensation of being hit

136  
00:06:10,550 --> 00:06:07,800  
well uh

137  
00:06:13,730 --> 00:06:10,560  
Alan Dallas and I both experienced kind

138  
00:06:16,610 --> 00:06:13,740

of the same thing there because I I had

139

00:06:19,850 --> 00:06:16,620

when when things started looking dicey I

140

00:06:23,150 --> 00:06:19,860

I turned to start the truck

141

00:06:25,790 --> 00:06:23,160

because I'd actually turned it off after

142

00:06:28,070 --> 00:06:25,800

I'd stopped it not realizing until I

143

00:06:31,430 --> 00:06:28,080

looked you know what this what the

144

00:06:33,950 --> 00:06:31,440

complete situation was uh-huh and uh

145

00:06:37,550 --> 00:06:33,960

then realizing what I had to do you know

146

00:06:42,890 --> 00:06:37,560

I went to you know it seemed like it was

147

00:06:44,570 --> 00:06:42,900

time to to be leaving and I I went to

148

00:06:45,890 --> 00:06:44,580

start the truck before I could turn the

149

00:06:49,490 --> 00:06:45,900

engine back on

150

00:06:51,710 --> 00:06:49,500

I I saw this blinding flash of light

151  
00:06:53,510 --> 00:06:51,720  
that lit up all the woods out in front

152  
00:06:55,670 --> 00:06:53,520  
of the truck and the other side of the

153  
00:06:56,930 --> 00:06:55,680  
truck just everything brighter than

154  
00:06:58,670 --> 00:06:56,940  
daylight

155  
00:07:00,590 --> 00:06:58,680  
and um

156  
00:07:03,110 --> 00:07:00,600  
and it wasn't like an instant you know

157  
00:07:04,909 --> 00:07:03,120  
like a flash ball just a pop you know it

158  
00:07:05,930 --> 00:07:04,919  
was it was kind of a prolonged thing

159  
00:07:11,570 --> 00:07:05,940  
like

160  
00:07:14,330 --> 00:07:11,580  
going off and huh and uh

161  
00:07:18,790 --> 00:07:14,340  
I of course jerked my head back to the

162  
00:07:21,650 --> 00:07:18,800  
right and and my image there was Travis

163  
00:07:25,610 --> 00:07:21,660

uh falling back flying back through the

164

00:07:27,290 --> 00:07:25,620

air and landing on his back now Alan had

165

00:07:29,330 --> 00:07:27,300

to have the you know he had a good seat

166

00:07:33,409 --> 00:07:29,340

he was in the back seat but he was

167

00:07:35,990 --> 00:07:33,419

right on the door there and he uh had

168

00:07:38,390 --> 00:07:36,000

had gotten so frightened he says that he

169

00:07:40,670 --> 00:07:38,400

that he that he put his head down

170

00:07:44,629 --> 00:07:40,680

between his knees just for a couple of

171

00:07:48,230 --> 00:07:44,639

seconds in Fright and then he heard this

172

00:07:51,770 --> 00:07:48,240

crack sound this this uh the sound of

173

00:07:55,670 --> 00:07:51,780

this the light this being whatever uh

174

00:07:57,710 --> 00:07:55,680

hit Travis and uh he jerked his head

175

00:07:59,469 --> 00:07:57,720

back up to see the exact same thing I

176

00:08:04,070 --> 00:07:59,479

did Travis flying back through the air

177

00:08:07,550 --> 00:08:04,080

and uh it collided with the ground

178

00:08:09,409 --> 00:08:07,560

and uh that's right in there somewhere

179

00:08:10,730 --> 00:08:09,419

within those few seconds I had the truck

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00:08:13,850 --> 00:08:10,740

on

181

00:08:15,830 --> 00:08:13,860

and just as Alan and

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00:08:17,689 --> 00:08:15,840

one of the other guys was yelling to get