

MYSTERIOUS FLASHES OVER WIDE BC AREA

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"The sky over a widespread section of British Columbia erupted in mysterious flashes and explosions early today. Reports of the phenomenon came from the interior and Howe Sound."

A Vernon RCMP constable said a brilliant blue light lit up the sky for 30 seconds about 4:15 a.m. It was followed by a loud explosion. It was also reported in Kamloops, Revelstoke and Salmon Arm by residents. A Revelstoke railway worker said a plume of smoke stayed in the sky for about an hour after the explosion. An RCMP plane investigated a report of a flash and explosion in the sky over Bowen Island about 7:30 a.m. but found nothing. A spokesman said reports indicated the flash occurred between 3,000 and 5,000 feet. "Our plane searched Bowen Island for wreckage from a possible plane explosion but found no trace of any," he said. Explanations were sought from the Royal Canadian Air Force, NORAD, interior radar stations and telescope stations. None could suggest a cause of the Phenomenon.

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