

Chapter 1 : Mojave Desert - Black Projects And UFOs

Imagine driving through the desert and coming across a field of massive satellite dish-looking things. Nope, you're not in the Twilight Zone you're at The Very Large Array, the world's premiere radio astronomy observatory!

Mahood wrote about these installations in an Internet-posted article titled, "Radar Ranges of the Mojave. Also known as the Aerospace Valley, the region is home to development, production, testing and modification of the greatest air armada in the history of the world. The air forces that won the Cold War and the Persian Gulf war were born here. The Valley - stretching from as far south as Acton and Agua Dulce to as far north as Ridgecrest - from Victorville to the east and to Hughes-Elizabeth Lake to the west - is witness to some of the most incredible flying machines ever built. Some of these aircraft are known and now world famous or historic. Some remain cloaked behind a veil of black world mystery. Often, moving in the dark of night, they wing their way to Nevada where they go through testing at the ranges of Nellis Air Force Base, Tonopah Test Range, and yes, Area 51. The list of these birds of prey and reconnaissance craft include such legendary flying machines as the U-2 spy plane, the SR Blackbird, the FA stealth fighter and the B-2 stealth bomber. Most recently, flying above the Valley skies from the El Mirage area is the Predator unmanned aerial vehicle, an eye-in-the-sky spy that conducted reconnaissance over Yugoslavia and was used to monitor both battlefield intelligence and the tenets of the Dayton Peace Accords. With the unknown, or yet unveiled, come the myths, legends and rumors. Even those who know the rich Valley military and aerospace history have reported sightings of weird flying objects near El Mirage and west of Rosamond near Edwards AFB. Mostly, these sightings go unexplained or are given no credence from official sources. The orbs seemed to hover for long periods of time before zipping away at unimaginable speeds. Minutes later the sight would appear again and repeat the maneuver. Viewers called the Valley Press and described a flying object the shape of a diamond, or in some reports, a triangle or octagonal object. It was reported to be the size of two football fields with bright lights of orange and white encompassing its bottom. Residents stared; motorists pulled off the road to gawk as it hovered several hundred feet above the store. More than a dozen residents reached for cell phones and ran for pay phones to report the sighting. Every sighting report was similar, but not exactly the same, and everyone reported absolutely no sound whatsoever associated with the object. Air Force Plant 42 officials had no information on the event. And at Edwards, the official position was that the base had no operations or flights scheduled in that area at that time of night. Edwards officials speculated that it could have been a helicopter with a lighted billboard attached to the bottom, akin to the ones that occasionally buzz The Hangar during a JetHawks baseball game. Federal Aviation Administration officials showed nothing on the log for the night. Gray Butte Outside El Mirage for nearly a dozen years locals have watched and talked about either strange sightings and encounters at the Gray Butte facility. Some locals ventured into the desert area to investigate phenomena described as bright white and orange orbs in the sky. These orbs have appeared to hover, then zip across the sky, stop in a split second and then vaporize. In exploring several such sightings, one Llano local encountered the El Mirage facility. Circumventing the property, he found himself face to face with surveillance cameras atop poles just inside the barbed fence. And, on at least one occasion, he found himself being watched or followed on the rough dirt roads by private security. The local, who spoke on condition of anonymity, has surveyed the El Mirage site for nearly a decade, watching what he calls "The Behemoth," a six-story high structure, open on each end, move across the desert compound. As it made its slow trek, the building meets an angled white post, or pylon, to cover it from unwanted desert spectators or Russian satellites, he speculates. One night, watching from a distance, the show really began. Then, it became brighter and brighter again - a brilliant ball of orange in front of the building. In others, he said, bright white and orange orbs flocked together about the range. Within moments they would "start to move slowly and then smaller pieces would appear and then break away" into nothing, vanish in the air. Today, The Behemoth is gone; the pylon is gone; and, by most accounts, the encounters with rent-a-cops have stopped. And the orb sightings have vanished. Essentially, these sightings rise from contractor-operated facilities for testing the radar cross-sections of military aircraft. These, he said, are pretty interesting in their own right. Mahood, in

watching and photographing The Behemoth, said what locals have seen around El Mirage is probably nothing more than a mobile hangar and a pylon used to hold the shapes of aircraft for radar testing. Testing stealth Radar works by taking a radar beam a high frequency radio wave and directing it toward an object. Some energy is absorbed by the object; some of the beam bounces back off and is picked up by a receiver, creating an image called a radar signature. So, how does all this technology relate to stealth? Simply, the very essence of stealth technology is to shape the object in such a manner that radar beams that strike it are radiated every which way but back toward the radar receivers. Mahood says while stealth is thought to be undetectable to radar, every object, even stealth aircraft, can be picked up on radar. The important thing is how close the object has to be before the signal it reflects back toward the radar receiver is strong enough to register. These RCS ranges were probably used in the early and late s and into the s to develop and test the advanced stealth technology of warplanes such as the FA stealth fighter and the B-2 stealth bomber. And, Mahood said, "The most reliable way to find out how much radar signal a new aircraft design will reflect is to simply try it and find out. And that seems to explain the pylon used to hold variously shaped model aircraft. The building, Mahood says, probably housed some type of hoist to lift models onto the pylon. Then the building was rolled back, via some type of wheels and tracks, and radar testing began. Mahood said the building is a mobile target shelter that probably covers the model to protect it from weather and unauthorized observation. Mahood said probably the most famous of these ranges, of course, is Area 51 in the Nevada desert.

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Using the rail tracks that follow each of these arms and that, at one point, intersect with U. The angular resolution that can be reached is between 0. The observatory normally cycles through all the various possible configurations including several hybrids every 16 months; the antennas are moved every three to four months. Moves to smaller configurations are done in two stages, first shortening the east and west arms and later shortening the north arm. This allows for a short period of improved imaging of extremely northerly or southerly sources. The s era electronics were replaced with state-of-the-art equipment. To reflect this increased capacity, VLA officials asked for input from both the scientific community and the public in coming up with a new name for the array, and in January it was announced that the array would be renamed the " Karl G. Jansky Very Large Array". In the VLA was used to receive radio communications from the Voyager 2 spacecraft as it flew by Neptune. He is noted as having "sustained and guided the development of the best radio astronomy observatory in the world for sixteen years. In popular culture[edit] The VLA has appeared repeatedly in American popular culture since its construction. Floyd and Dimitri Moiseyevich discuss the upcoming missions to Jupiter. At the beginning of the film the site is attacked by Resistance forces. An edited version of the same image was later used in the album Encores , by the same band. Named for Ronald N. Bracewell , this sundial marks on the ground positions of the shadow of the central sphere the gnomon at different times of day and times of year. The shadow on Dec 22, falls very near the winter solstice line and the 1: The other two lines of markers north of the gnomon are for the equinoxes and the summer solstice. Additional lines of markers south of the gnomon mark positions of "shadows" of the radio sources Cygnus A and Cassiopeia A. Route 60 passes east-west through the complex. A visitor center houses a small museum, theater, and a gift shop. A self-guided walking tour is available, as the visitor center is not staffed continuously. Visitors unfamiliar with the area are warned that there is little food on site, or in the sparsely populated surroundings; those unfamiliar with the high desert are warned that the weather is quite variable, and can remain cold into April.

Chapter 3 : Atacama Large Millimeter Array - Wikipedia

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Yet, while undoubtedly a popular site for hikers and joggers, The Dish is also actually still operational today, used by both academics and other researchers. Built by the Stanford Research Institute in 1963, this 300-foot-diameter 46m behemoth was initially intended for study into the chemical make-up of our atmosphere but, with its powerful radar antenna, was later used for communication with satellites and spacecraft – notably the Voyager probes sent forth to explore the outer solar system. Algonquin Radio Observatory, Canada Diameter: VLBI allows for the simultaneous observations of an object by many telescopes to be combined – leading to far more powerful results. With a dish this big, we bet they could also pick up some interesting TV shows! Large Millimeter Telescope, Mexico Diameter: Inaugurated in 2012, this 50m instrument constitutes the biggest and most responsive single-aperture telescope for observing radio waves in its own frequency range approximately 0.3 to 3 mm. Providing astronomers with valuable information regarding star formation, the LMT is located in the state of Puebla and sits atop the Sierra Negra – the fifth highest mountain in Mexico. Parkes Observatory, Australia Diameter: As well as being part of this auspicious moment in history, the Observatory continued to provide NASA with valuable information during their other moon missions, relaying signals and providing coverage when our only natural satellite was on the Australian side of the Earth. More recently, between 1993 and 1997, it undertook the largest blind survey in search of neutral atomic hydrogen galaxies. Also on the CV: Not a bad record for this beautiful-looking – and movable – 300-foot 64m radio dish telescope. One of three similarly constructed complexes, the other two are located in Madrid, Spain and Canberra, Australia – Goldstone is home to a dish, known as the Mars antenna, which is 220 feet 70m in diameter. The Goldstone complex has also proven its worth in the search for high-energy neutrino transmissions on the moon. They all share similar specifications, notably their 300-foot 70m diameter dishes. The Yevpatoria telescope, in particular, has been used to observe asteroids and space debris. If Gliese c supports life, perhaps the inhabitants will send us back some of their own TV! The Lovell Telescope was also instrumental in the discovery of quasars – extremely luminous celestial bodies thought to be among the most distant object in the universe. Effelsberg m Radio Telescope, Germany Diameter: Since it began its work in the early 1970s, ongoing improvements have been made – including low-noise electronics and a new surface for the dish – which have helped keep it among the elite of astronomical research institutions. Byrd Green Bank Telescope is located in the state of West Virginia, nestled in the middle of the United States National Radio Quiet Zone – an area of limited or banned radio transmissions, which greatly helps the telescope in operating to its highest potential. The telescope, which was completed in 1998, took eleven years to construct. Arecibo Observatory, Puerto Rico Diameter: Operated by SRI International – a research institute born out of Stanford University – and with supervision from the National Science Foundation, the Observatory engages in radio astronomy, radar observations of the solar system and the study of the atmospheres of other planets. The enormous dish was built in inside the depression caused by a naturally occurring sinkhole. This somehow seems apt, as data about naturally occurring phenomena – albeit millions of miles away – interacts with man-made technology in the most wondrous of ways at Arecibo.

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