**I saw a series of lights about 10 seconds apart last night at about 5:30 am, traveling from North west to south east over Pagosa Springs, colorado. Probably 12-15 in all. What would those be?**

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Based on similar reports of lights seen in the night sky, there are a few possibilities for what you might have observed:

- **Satellites**: Specifically, you might have seen a train of SpaceX's Starlink satellites. These satellites are launched in batches and can appear as a series of moving lights or "strings" in the sky, often moving in a predictable pattern. They can be seen shortly after a launch or when they are in a particular orbit. The pattern you describe, with lights appearing about 10 seconds apart and moving in a specific direction, aligns with sightings of Starlink satellites.
- **Meteor Shower or Fireballs**: If the lights were very brief and seemed to disappear, they could be meteors from a meteor shower or sporadic fireballs. Meteors can appear in series if part of a recognized shower, but individual fireballs can also occur randomly. The timing and direction could fit with this phenomenon, but typically, meteors move much faster than what you described.
- **Military or Training Flares**: Given the proximity to military installations like Fort Carson, which has been known to use flares for training, it's possible these could be flares, although less likely at 5:30 AM over Pagosa Springs. Flares are usually deployed in patterns for training exercises and can appear in the sky in ways that might be misinterpreted as UFOs or satellites. However, this would be unusual for the time and location you've mentioned.
- **Natural Atmospheric Phenomena**: Rarely, atmospheric conditions can cause unusual light phenomena, like reflections or refractions, but these typically do not appear as moving objects unless they are related to an aurora event, which was not reported for that time in Colorado.

Given the description, the most plausible explanation from the information available is that you might have observed a train of Starlink satellites. To confirm, you could check satellite tracking websites or apps that monitor Starlink passes for your area on that specific date and time. However, without exact confirmation of a satellite pass, other possibilities remain open.

**They were't starlink, because I've seen that before, and the lights are very close together in a tight line. These were well spaced apart, all traveling at exactly the same speed and direction, following one another, at 10-15 seconds behind each other.**

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Given the specifics you've provided—that the lights were well-spaced, traveling at the same speed and direction, and not in a tight formation like Starlink satellites—there are a few alternative explanations:

- **Military Flares**: Although you mention it's less likely due to the time and location, flares used in military training or exercises could match this description. Flares are sometimes deployed in a pattern or sequence for training or signaling, which could explain the uniform spacing and identical trajectory. However, this would be unusual for Pagosa Springs at that early morning hour unless there was a specific military operation or exercise nearby.
- **Meteor Shower or Fireballs**: Another possibility could be a series of meteors or fireballs from a meteor shower or an unrelated random event where multiple meteors entered the atmosphere in a similar path. Meteors can appear to follow a similar path if they come from the same part of the sky but usually don't

maintain such uniform spacing or consistency in speed unless it's an unusual event.

- **Aircraft with Lights**: Although less common, it could be a series of aircraft flying in formation or sequentially, perhaps for some operation or event. The lights could be their navigation or landing lights, but this would be highly unusual for the time and place unless it was part of a specific flight pattern or aerial demonstration.
- **Unidentified Aerial Phenomena (UAP)**: If none of the above explanations fit, the lights could be classified under UAP, which are sightings that remain unexplained after conventional explanations are ruled out. These are often reported with similar characteristics of multiple lights moving in unison but spaced apart.

Given these possibilities:

- **Check for Military Activity**: You could investigate if there were any military exercises or operations in the area at that time.
- **Local Astronomy Groups or Observers**: Contact local astronomy clubs or sky watchers in the Pagosa Springs area to see if others observed the same phenomenon.
- **UAP Reporting**: If you're genuinely puzzled and wish to document the sighting, you might consider reporting it to organizations that track UAP or UFO sightings, like MUFON (Mutual UFO Network).

Without more specific data or confirmation from local sources, it's challenging to pinpoint exactly what you saw. However, the characteristics you describe suggest something out of the ordinary for typical satellite or astronomical events.



**So, you know of no routine "satellite" movement that would fit that description, at that time and location over earth, say, every day or every so many hours?**

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Based on the description of the lights being well-spaced, traveling at the same speed and direction, and appearing every 10-15 seconds, there isn't a known routine "satellite" movement that fits this pattern exactly, especially not visible at 5:30 AM over Pagosa Springs, CO:

- **Satellites**: Most satellites, including those in constellations like Starlink, do not maintain such precise spacing when visible from Earth. Starlink satellites, when visible, often appear close together in a "train" shortly after launch or when in specific low Earth orbits, but they do not typically appear with the spacing you describe.
- **ISS or Other Large Satellites**: The International Space Station (ISS) or other large, bright satellites can be seen moving across the sky, but they are singular objects, not a series of well-spaced lights.
- **Geostationary Satellites**: These do not move relative to the observer on Earth, as they remain in a fixed position over the equator, so they would not account for your observation.
- **Iridium Flares**: Previously, Iridium satellites could produce flares visible from Earth, but these were not regularly spaced over time or location, and the Iridium constellation has largely been replaced by satellites that do not flare in the same way.
- **Military or Government Satellites**: While there are numerous classified satellites, those that are visible do not typically move in the described pattern. Satellite movement, especially for reconnaissance or military purposes, isn't usually designed to be noticeable in such a deliberate, predictable manner from the ground.

The regularity and precision of the movement you've described do not align with any known satellite behavior that would occur daily or every few hours at a specific location like Pagosa Springs. This suggests that the phenomenon might not be related to artificial satellites but could be something else, such as the previously mentioned possibilities like military flares or an unusual atmospheric event. However, without further data or corroboration from other observers or technology, it's hard to definitively categorize this sighting.