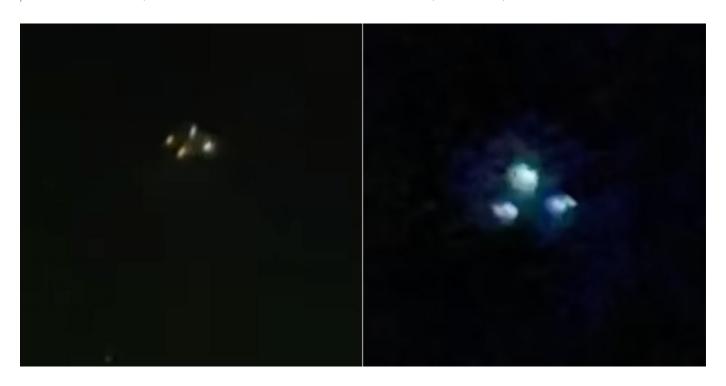


Statement from Senator Jim Tedisco on Drone Sightings in Saratoga County and Capital Region

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"I take great umbrage to concerns my constituents and New Yorkers are having that their safety and privacy might be compromised regarding the many unexplained drone sightings, including in Saratoga County, the Capital Region, and across the state and nation."

"Government leaders at the federal, state and local levels need to take this situation seriously. It's inexplicable to me how the FAA and Defense Department can credibly say on the one hand they don't know the origin of the drones, some of which are flying above or near restricted airspace, and on the other hand claim they're not a threat. That's just laughable."

"Is it any wonder public faith in government and many of our institutions is at an all-time low? People just don't believe what they're being told. That's a scary situation."

"It's time for full transparency. No more secrets."

"If the government truly doesn't know what these drones are, their purpose, or where they are from, then they need to shoot one down and find out. Enough is enough."