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Gallery Highlights

CURATED BY MARK TAYLOR

Trevor Paglen, "Near Pole Line Road" (undated), 2024, Pigment print, 8 x 12 in. Courtesy Altman Siegel



CARDINALS

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As an artist whose work often explores surveillance, secrecy, conspiracy, and aerospace technology, Trevor Paglen has spent a lot of time looking at the sky. This collection of *CARDINALS*, the Air Force's unofficial code name for UFOs, has a surprisingly retro feel. The objects captured appear in the classic saucer shape, so much so they feel comically unreal, though the artist informs us that the images are undoctored. The exhibition makes us question not only what we are looking at, but the nature of reality itself.