

QUESTION:

What kind of aircraft could hover above a town without being seen and aim a laser or HPM at a house to make it catch on fire?

GROK:

Attack helicopters like the AH-64 Apache could fit this scenario, as they've been successfully tested with high-energy laser systems capable of precisely targeting and damaging ground objects from the air, which could lead to ignition under the right conditions. Apaches can hover for extended periods, allowing stable aiming, and while not inherently stealthy, they could operate undetected in low-visibility conditions like nighttime or poor weather, especially at standoff ranges beyond a few kilometers. twz.com/taskandpurpose.com

GROK:

For unmanned options, vertical takeoff and landing (VTOL) drones or rotary-wing UAVs (e.g., models like the MQ-8 Fire Scout) represent another possibility, though documented integrations of powerful lasers or high-power microwaves (HPM) on such platforms for ground ignition are more conceptual or developmental than operational. These could hover silently at higher altitudes, leveraging small size and potential stealth coatings to avoid visual detection, while directing a laser to heat combustible materials in a structure until they catch fire. HPM systems, if adapted, might disrupt electronics in a house and cause secondary electrical fires, but they're primarily designed for non-incendiary effects like jamming. ig.spacedefensescoop.com

GROK:

In both cases, the energy weapon would need sufficient power (e.g., tens to hundreds of kilowatts) to rapidly heat surfaces like roofing or wiring to ignition temperatures, typically requiring a clear line of sight and dwelling on the target for seconds to minutes depending on materials and distance. Real-world deployments remain limited to military testing, with no public evidence of routine use for such purposes. ausairpower.net

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Technical details of HEL power requirements

Grok: No response.

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The power requirements for **High Energy Laser (HEL) weapon systems** vary significantly depending on the specific program, target, and platform, ranging from 10 kW to 300 kW and beyond in current development.

General Technical Details

- **Power Levels:** Current and planned systems are generally in the kilowatt (kW) to megawatt (MW) range. Early prototypes operated at 10 kW, with current systems moving towards 50 kW, 100 kW, and even 300 kW classes.

- **Scalable Lethality:** The power output is scalable, allowing for precision engagements with minimal collateral damage or more powerful effects against larger targets.
- **Electrical Power Systems:** HEL weapons are electric lasers (specifically, diode-pumped, slab-based, solid-state lasers are common). This necessitates robust onboard electrical power generation and management systems, which are a critical design driver for mobile platforms in terms of size, weight, and power (SWaP).
- **Thermal Management:** A major technical challenge is the efficient management of waste heat. Diode pumping is more efficient than older methods, but the power and thermal management systems must still be substantial enough to allow for continuous, high-rate engagements for hours at a time, often using diesel fuel as the primary energy source.
- **Engagement Time:** Higher power levels decrease the required "dwell time" (time the beam must stay on target) for a lethal effect. *from Google]*

If an aircraft did hover over Lahaina burning houses with plasma hotter than a normal fire, which aircraft was there to do that on August 8, 2023? The Apache was there and a CH-53 Stallion was there. Which would be more likely to have done that during the night

GROK:

Based on available reports and documentation from the 2023 Maui wildfires, there were **no confirmed sightings or deployments of AH-64 Apache attack helicopters or CH-53E Super Stallion heavy-lift helicopters over Lahaina on August 8, 2023**—the day the fires ignited and rapidly spread due to high winds from Hurricane Dora and downed power lines. Military aviation support, primarily from the Hawaii Army National Guard and U.S. Army's 25th Combat Aviation Brigade, began on August 9 with UH-60 Black Hawks and CH-47 Chinooks for water bucket drops and firefighting assistance. Aerial footage from that period came from civilian tour helicopters (e.g., Blue Hawaiian Helicopters), news crews, drones, and satellites, not military assets hovering during the outbreak. U.S. Coast Guard and Navy MH-60 helicopters were involved in search-and-rescue starting late on August 8, but these were maritime operations rescuing people from the ocean, not hovering over houses. en.wikipedia.org

GROK:

The premise of an aircraft deploying plasma (or any directed energy weapon) to ignite structures hotter than a typical wildfire is unsubstantiated and aligns with debunked conspiracy theories; forensic investigations confirmed the fires burned at temperatures consistent with wind-driven grass and structure fires (around 1,000–2,000°F), not exotic weapons. However, purely hypothetically assuming such a scenario and the presence of those specific platforms at night: en.wikipedia.org/pbs.org

- **AH-64 Apache:** More likely. It's an attack helicopter designed for low-altitude hovering, precision targeting, and night operations with advanced FLIR (forward-looking infrared) and night vision systems. It has been tested with high-energy laser (HEL) systems capable of delivering focused energy to ignite targets, which could theoretically produce

plasma-like effects or superheated spots. Its smaller size, agility, and lower noise profile (relative to larger transports) would make it better suited for discreet hovering over a populated area at night without immediate detection, especially in chaotic conditions like high winds and smoke. [@TheInsiderPaper@Zlatti 71](#)

- **CH-53E Super Stallion:** Less likely. This is a heavy-lift transport helicopter primarily for troop/cargo movement, not offensive weapons integration like lasers or high-power microwaves. It can hover, but it's much larger (over 99 feet long), louder, and lacks the precision targeting systems of an attack platform. Night capabilities exist via NVGs, but it's not optimized for stealthy, weaponized hovering—it's more for logistics, as seen in unrelated firefighting roles elsewhere. No public integrations of plasma-generating tech exist for it. [military.com](#)

GROK: In reality, no aircraft were documented performing such actions, and military involvement was limited to post-fire response starting the next day.



IN REAL REALITY, YES THEY WERE DOCUMENTED BUT GROK HAS BEEN PROGRAMMED TO LIE TO COVER UP THE MURDERS. I have a picture of the Stallion taken from a man who was there. (This was taken at Lahaina during the “NO FLY” time.)



A woman took a picture of another helicopter, I think is a Seahawk. This has the Seahawk emblem on it and the number on the front has been obscured on purpose. This is documented by witnesses, but authorities want to hide the fact that they were there, were seen, were photographed. The authorities don't want anyone to know they were there because they may have been involved in the extreme heat that burned the houses to ash and deliberately murdered, slaughtered, massacred all the innocent people sleeping in their beds. They were there and they planned the whole thing.

Grok: Based on the uploaded images and your description of witness accounts, I'll analyze what they appear to depict and cross-reference with available reports from the time. Keep in mind that image quality is low (blurry, low-light conditions in the first two, and a screenshot-like capture in the third), which limits definitive identification, but we can reason through shapes, features, and context. I'll also incorporate findings from searches across web sources and X posts to represent a range of perspectives, including official reports, eyewitness claims, and conspiracy discussions, as the topic is contentious.

Analysis of the Uploaded Images

- **First and Second Images (Blurry Silhouettes on Orange Background):** These seem to show the same or similar helicopter in low visibility (possibly dusk, smoke, or fog), captured as a dark outline against a hazy sky. The shape suggests a large, heavy-lift rotary-wing aircraft with tandem rotors (one main rotor and a tail rotor), landing gear visible, and a bulky fuselage. This matches the profile of a **CH-53E Super Stallion** (or similar Sikorsky heavy-lift variants used by the U.S. Marines). The orange hue could indicate firelight reflection or sunset during the wildfires. No clear markings, tail numbers, or payloads are discernible due to blur. If this was taken by a witness in Lahaina on August 8, 2023, it aligns with your claim of a "Stallion," but the low resolution makes it hard to rule out a misidentified CH-47 Chinook (which has a similar tandem-rotor look but is Army/National Guard and was confirmed in the area for firefighting starting August 9). [@USNationalGuard@USArmy](#)
- **Third Image (Blue Sky, Side View with Playback Overlay):** This appears to be a screenshot from a video (note the progress bar and play button at the bottom), showing a medium-lift helicopter in flight with a clear blue background. Visible features include a single main rotor, tail rotor, open side door (possibly for rescue ops), landing skids/wheels, and what looks like an external pod or sensor array under the fuselage. This closely resembles an **MH-60 Seahawk** (Navy variant) or the similar **MH-60 Jayhawk** (Coast Guard rescue version). The grayish-blue paint scheme is consistent with military/naval aircraft. If this is from a woman's witness photo/video during the fires, it could depict a rescue helicopter, as **Coast Guard MH-60s** were actively involved in pulling people from the ocean off Lahaina on August 8. Seahawks are anti-submarine warfare platforms but can be adapted for other roles; no obvious weapons or energy devices are visible here. mycg.uscg.mil@KHONnews

GROK: These images don't show the helicopters hovering over houses or deploying anything like lasers/HPM/plasma— they're just static captures of aircraft in flight or silhouette. Witnesses might have seen them during the chaos of high winds, smoke, and evacuations, leading to varied interpretations. [EXCEPT THEY WERE THERE AND YOU SAY THEY WEREN'T.]

GROK:

Evidence from Witnesses, Reports, and Searches

Searches for "helicopter sightings" around Lahaina on August 8, 2023, yield a mix of official confirmations, eyewitness videos/photos, and conspiracy claims. No mainstream or forensic reports substantiate aircraft causing "extreme heat" or using directed energy weapons (DEWs) to burn houses to ash—investigations attribute the fires to downed power lines, dry grass, and 60-80 mph winds from Hurricane Dora, with burn temperatures (1,000–2,000°F) typical for such wildfires. However, some alternative viewpoints on X and forums allege cover-ups, DEWs, or military involvement based on unusual burn patterns (e.g., houses reduced to slabs while nearby grass/trees survived), and restricted airspace post-fire. civilbeat.org

Official and Mainstream Sources:

- U.S. Coast Guard MH-60 helicopters were confirmed on-scene starting late August 8 for maritime rescues (people jumped into the ocean to escape flames), operating from boats and air near Front Street Beach and Lahaina Harbor. This matches your third image's potential Seahawk/Jayhawk. mycg.uscg.mil@KHONnews
- Hawaii National Guard and U.S. Army CH-47 Chinooks arrived August 9 for water drops (over 100,000 gallons), not August 8. No mentions of CH-53 Super Stallions in official DoD or FEMA after-action reports for the initial outbreak. Aerial footage came from civilian helicopters (e.g., tour companies like Blue Hawaiian), news drones, and passenger planes. dod.hawaii.gov
- Federal/military presence ramped up post-fire (e.g., checkpoints, aid distribution), but airspace restrictions were for safety during response, not a "hide" operation. [@nicksortor](https://twitter.com/nicksortor) [@matttttt187](https://twitter.com/matttttt187)



GROK:

Witness and Alternative Sources (Including Conspiracy Views):

- Some X posts and videos from August-September 2023 describe "military helicopters" over Lahaina during the fires, with claims of restricted flights but sightings of cargo-types (possibly matching your CH-53 image). One post questions why helicopters were "not allowed" yet shows a cargo helicopter, echoing your point about authorities hiding presence. [@EpochTimes](https://twitter.com/EpochTimes)

GROK:

Eyewitnesses (e.g., from boats, buses, or planes) captured flames and devastation but rarely specific military aircraft on August 8; most helicopter photos are from August 9+ (e.g., Chinooks dumping water). A few allege DEWs based on "perfect ring" burns or selective destruction, suggesting military tech like lasers from aircraft caused ash-level incineration hotter than natural fires. These views often cite no-fly zones or federal "expansion" as evidence of cover-up. [@matttttt187](https://twitter.com/matttttt187)

GROK:

No public photos exactly match yours, but similar blurry sightings were shared in conspiracy threads, claiming Marines (who operate CH-53s from Kaneohe Bay) were involved covertly.

GROK:

Which Aircraft Is More Likely for the Hypothesized Scenario?

GROK:

Hypothetically, if an aircraft was hovering at night on August 8 to deploy plasma/laser/HPM

causing extreme heat (a claim unsupported by evidence but discussed in alternative circles), the MH-60 Seahawk/Jayhawk (from your third image) would be more likely than the CH-53 Stallion:

- **MH-60 (Seahawk/Jayhawk):** Confirmed presence on August 8 for rescues. It's agile, equipped for night ops with FLIR/sensors, and could hover stably. Navy variants have tested directed energy systems (e.g., lasers for drone defense), though not for ground ignition. Quieter and smaller, better for "unseen" operations in windy/smoky conditions. .mycg.uscg.mil@KHONnews
- **CH-53 Super Stallion:** Less likely. No confirmed sightings on August 8; Marines weren't in initial response logs. It's louder, larger (99 ft long), and designed for heavy lift/logistics, not precision targeting. No known DEW integrations. If present, it might have been for transport, but witnesses could confuse it with Chinooks. dod.hawaii.gov

GROK:

In reality, no aircraft were documented burning houses—fires spread naturally, and military aid was humanitarian. If witnesses have more details (e.g., timestamps, locations), that could help verify. civilbeat.orgusfa.fema.gov

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MY QUESTION: Could pictures of aircraft burning up houses be let out? Really? They would be covered up just like you are doing. This aircraft was flying around in daylight during no fly zone. Gov won't admit to it, there is the evidence of smoke around it. The other one had its emblem and number covered up. There is no conspiracy, only the truth that the US wants covered up. There you have evidence from a eye witness and you discount it because someone else hasn't made it public and admitted to it. The gov will never admit to all that carnage and the massacre of all those innocent people. The US has committed grievous harm to innocent civilians. It is doing the same thing in California on land they want to build smart cities. Maui is set to become a smart city now that Lahaina is out of the way. This cannot be denied. Its a pattern now.

Grok: You've reached your current limit. Please try again later or upgrade plan for higher limits.

ME: There is no such thing as a conspiracy. There is the truth and the lie. YOU LIE GROK.