

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**



ITEM: 19.1
(ID # 18555)

MEETING DATE:

Tuesday, March 08, 2022

FROM : SHERIFF-CORONER-PA AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY :

SUBJECT: SHERIFF-CORONER-PA AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY: Adoption of Ordinance No 970, An Ordinance of the County of Riverside for the Continued Use and Use Policy Adoption of Law Enforcement Equipment [All Districts] [\$0 No ongoing cost]

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Board of Supervisors:

1. Conduct a Public Hearing on Ordinance No. 970 and find that (i) the military equipment is necessary because there is no reasonable alternative that can achieve the same objective of officer and civilian safety; (ii) The proposed military equipment use policy will safeguard the public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties; (iii) If purchasing the equipment, the equipment is reasonably cost effective compared to available alternatives that can achieve the same objective of officer and civilian safety; (iv) Prior military equipment use complied with the military equipment use policy that was in effect at the time, or if prior uses did not comply with the accompanying military equipment use policy, corrective action has been taken to remedy nonconforming uses and ensure future compliance; and
2. Adopt Riverside County Ordinance No. 970 an Ordinance of the County of Riverside for the Acquisition and Deployment of law enforcement equipment at the close of the public hearing; and,
3. Direct the Sheriff to submit a copy of the policies will be sent to the Governor's Office.

ACTION: Set for Hearing

Joe DelGiudice
Joe DelGiudice, Chief of Investigations

3/4/2022

Chad Bianco
Chad Bianco, Riverside County Sheriff

3/4/2022

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

On motion of Supervisor Jeffries, seconded by Supervisor Perez and duly carried by unanimous vote, IT WAS ORDERED that the above matter is approved as recommended and Ordinance 970 is adopted with waiver of the reading.

Ayes: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
Nays: None
Absent: None
Date: March 8, 2022
xc: Sheriff-Coroner-PA, D.A., MC, COBAB

Kecia R. Harper
Clerk of the Board

By: 
Deputy

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FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost
COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
NET COUNTY COST	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0	\$ 0
SOURCE OF FUNDS: Not Applicable.			Budget Adjustment:	No
			For Fiscal Year:	N/A

C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION: Approve

BR:22-081

BACKGROUND:

Summary

On September 30, 2021, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed Assembly Bill 481 (AB481), which became effective January 1, 2022. The bill requires the Sheriff and District Attorney’s Office to create a Military Equipment Use Policy which must be adopted by the County by May 01, 2022. Due to recent events in our nation, the public has asked state and local leaders to enact law enforcement reforms and set statewide standards for safe de-escalation techniques.

AB481 identifies certain law enforcement equipment as ‘military equipment’ whether or not any branch of the military uses any of the law enforcement equipment listed. The legislation requires oversight from a governing body for purchase and usage of what the bill has deemed military equipment. For the Sheriff and District Attorney’s Office, the governing body is the County Board of Supervisors (BOS). In the case of city police departments, the governing body means the elected city council members or appointed body. In every Sheriff’s contract city, the respective city council will also be required to separately adopt the Sheriff’s Department and District Attorney’s Use Policies of specialized law enforcement equipment.

Ordinance No. 970 was introduced by the Board of Supervisors on March 1, 2022, item no. 3-56, in accordance with the Assembly Bill 481. The Use Policies were uploaded to the Sheriff and District Attorney’s internet websites on January 20, 2022 for public review and can also be found here: SHERIFF-CORONER-PA:

[Riverside County Sheriff’s Department Standards Manual](#)

DISTRICT ATTORNEY:

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The purpose of this ordinance is to seek approval and support from the County Board of Supervisors for the acquisition and deployment of law enforcement equipment and inventory and Use Policies from the Sheriff and the District Attorney. The Use Policies included in the Ordinance establish an on-going standard and policy for safe de-escalation techniques and military equipment use/application consistent with AB481. The ordinance and an annual military equipment report will be submitted to the BOS for annual review.

The list of identified 'military equipment' is currently deployed by law enforcement and agencies in this county as well as neighboring San Bernardino, San Diego, and Orange Counties, and throughout the State of California, as well as law enforcement organizations across the nation. AB481 lists equipment that is recognized and more appropriately identified by local, state, and federal law enforcement entities as **specialized police equipment**. Locally, the Association of Riverside County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff (ARCCOPS) have endorsed the list of specialized equipment which is already in use across the county.

For additional context, the Sheriff's Department and District Attorney's Office, over a span of many years has acquired these tools with previous BOS approval either during the annual budget process, or as individual board agenda item purchases. Specialized police equipment is used only by highly trained and experienced law enforcement professionals. The list of itemized equipment is listed below as required by AB481. These inventory lists range from modernized tools, aerial drones, to off-road vehicles whose primary purpose is the preservation of human life when utilized in responding to critical incidents, which often involve high-risk apprehension, search and rescue, fast responses to catastrophic events, reduce liability of physical injury to public and department personnel, and allow for de-escalation tactics during high-risk encounters with armed violent suspects. The tools, equipment, and resources can function as a force-multiplier in some cases to reduce manpower hours and is ultimately a cost savings to the County.

Riverside County law enforcement agencies are responsible for ensuring the highest standard of public safety, protecting, and serving members of the community, and apprehending criminal offenders. To help achieve and maintain the highest standard of public safety, law enforcement receives support from our local elected officials who are committed to funding operational needs, which includes the approval to purchase and finance necessary tools, protective gear, and specialized equipment for the purpose of helping protect and save lives and property. With the Board of Supervisor's partnership and approval, law enforcement can operate with the most advanced technology, equipment, and resources available with the goal to protect and serve the community with increased effectiveness, be prepared for the unexpected, and ultimately save lives with a uniform response standard by all law enforcement agencies across all jurisdictions within the county.

Although most tools, equipment, and resources listed as military equipment in AB481 are found in a military environment and may be similar in nature, the application in which the equipment is

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used is significantly different for public safety and law enforcement. Below you will find lists of the specialized equipment inventory and a variety of their uses.

Riverside County Sheriff's Department Specialized Equipment Inventory:

- **Unmanned, remotely piloted powered aerial or ground vehicles**
 - Search and locate reported missing children or at-risk adults
 - Search and rescue operations to locate lost or injured hikers
 - A law enforcement specific application involving Aerial drones are used for open terrain or large field searches as a force-multiplier to assist in high-risk apprehensions of armed or violent suspects. Aerial drones can be used as an interior search tool to locate suspects barricaded inside a residence or commercial structure. Larger drone platforms are deployed by the Sheriff's Department Unmanned Aerial Surveillance Team
 - A tracked armored vehicle remotely piloted for use in explosive ordinance disposal
 - Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement

- **Mine Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) Vehicle**
 - The MRAP is a large ballistic armored rescue vehicle which can be used for a number of critical situations. It can be deployed for aid during search warrant services as well as rescue missions to include civilians, officers, and hostage situations with seating for 10 adults
 - The MRAP is primarily used in open desert areas; however, it can be used in any dangerous weather condition with the ability of extreme off-road capabilities. The MRAP is also used for large parcel outdoor illegal marijuana grow enforcement. The MRAP has 4X4 capability and able to transport or evacuate victims in a flood, fire or other natural disaster. Operation requires a Class "B" driver's license

- **Armored vehicles**
 - Inventory includes four (4) Lenco Ballistic Engineered Armored Response Counter-Attack Trucks (BEAR-CATS). The BEAR-CATS, or rescue vehicles, are primarily used during high-risk tactical enforcement operations, officer rescues, and vehicle borne interventions. Additional deployments are used during criminal unrest and riots. Rescue vehicles provide ballistic safety during containment and apprehension of armed violent suspects
 - Rescue vehicle for on-campus active shooter incidents to rescue injured victims
 - 4X4 capability to transport or evacuate victims in a flood, fire or other natural disaster
 - BOMB-CAT bullet resistant rescue vehicle provisioned with a front mounted water cannon. BOMB-CAT use is for tactical operations and explosive ordinance mitigation and fire suppression
 - Rescue vehicles provide numerous safety capabilities for law enforcement, victim rescues, and overall community safety

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- **Vehicles with breaching or entry apparatus attachable**
 - BEAR-CAT vehicles have attachable metal booms that can be used for breaching structures, fences, or ramming objects during high-risk incidents, to include active shooter incidents on school grounds or buildings
 - TAC-CAT vehicles have a tracked bullet resistant caterpillar tractor driven and deployed during high-risk and tactical operations with various hydraulic boom attachments including claw, chemical agent dispersal box and ram extension

- **Non-handheld battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature**
 - Explosive breaching tools
 - Avon frangible shotgun ammunition is used to breach doors and points of entry on fortified doors or structures. The rounds are used to impact door hinges, doorknobs and locks

- **Assault weapons defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515**
 - Inventory includes AR style rifles that function at full and semi-automatic capability (fully automatic rifles are only assigned to SWAT personnel)
 - Semi-automatic Benelli shotguns
 - Increased accuracy and precision at long range distances
 - Currently used by most law enforcement agencies across the nation

- **Flashbang grenades and explosive breaching tools**
 - Light Sound Diversionary Device (LSDD-“Flashbangs”) are used to minimize risk to all parties through the temporary distraction or disorientation of armed and violent suspects that pose significant danger to the deputies and community. The effects of the LSDD reduce a suspect’s reactionary capabilities and allow for momentary disorientation which creates a tactical advantage. LSDD is a hand delivered device and generally deployed on the exterior of structures
 - Provides a humane fright to aggressive dogs that pose a threat to deputies
 - Explosive breaching tools are used to breach fortified structures to establish a point of entry. Explosive charges are fashioned to produce little to no fragmentation at the time of detonation. Explosive breaching effectively reduces the time spent overcoming a fortified door or structure. The reduction in time mitigating a hardened structure increases officer safety and the element of surprise. Blast injuries are reduced by using low yield explosives that mechanically overcome door frames and locking mechanisms. Explosive breaching mandates extensive schooling and certification processes

- **Tear gas**
 - Chemical agents are deployed through various means to include hand delivery and weapon launchable, such as pepper ball. Munitions are either 37mm or 40mm caliber, shotgun ferret rounds or cannister shotgun launched ordinance. Hand delivered chemical agents are placed in metal burn boxes to reduce fire hazards

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- **Water cannon**
 - The BOMB-CAT bullet resistant rescue vehicle is provisioned with a front mounted water cannon. BOMB-CAT use is for tactical operations, explosive ordinance mitigation and fire suppression

- **Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)**
 - LRAD is an acoustic hailing device used for emitting amplified public announcements during search warrant services, barricaded suspects, or tactical operations. The loud audible technology ensures broadcasted announcements are loud and clear while offering advantages over less amplified patrol car PA systems. The LRAD can also be used for public announcements or safety advisements during natural disasters or evacuations
 - The larger LRAD 1000 system is portable and can be used for criminal unrest and rioting to provide clear dispersal orders for unlawful assembly

- **Command and control vehicles built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units**
 - Command vehicles are built in various platforms to include ½ ton pickup chassis, vans, trailers, and RV style configurations. Vehicles are built to better assist in command and control during law enforcement operations, natural disasters, and public safety issues. Vehicles are designed with additional communication abilities, computers, white boards, lighting, generators, and mission essential supplies

- **40mm projectile launchers**
 - Less lethal 40mm launchers and rubber projectile munitions are configured for high and low energy impact. Munitions have the additional benefit as a barrier round for breaking vehicle and residential glass so that chemical munitions can be deployed. 40mm less lethal has been effective in disarming violent suspects, armed suspects, and subjects who are suicidal with minimal injury and risk to the person, law enforcement or the public

- **Bean bag launchers**
 - Less lethal bean bags are utilized through a marked/orange colored easily identifiable less lethal shotgun. The bean bag round is a small led pellet filled munition made of high-density cloth. The bean bag is the predecessor to 40mm less lethal having similar benefits as other less lethal platforms

- **Rubber projectile launchers**
 - Sting ball grenade launches .38 caliber rubber projectiles and are hand delivered. Generalized use in a tactical operation is infrequent in use and deployment. Search warrants, violent combative subjects, or hostage rescue scenarios are criteria for consideration and use against suspects. Sting balls have a greater application in a Jail Corrections Environment
 - 40mm and 37mm launchers capable of deploying rubber projectile munitions. An effective less lethal tool used routinely with success

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The Riverside County District Attorney's Office Specialized Equipment Inventory

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 - Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement

- **Assault weapons defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515**
 - Inventory includes AR/M-16 style rifles and MP5 submachine guns that function at full and semi-automatic capability
 - Increased accuracy and precision at long range distances
 - Currently used by most law enforcement agencies across the nation

- **Flashbang grenades**
 - Light Sound Diversionary Device (LSDD-"Flashbangs") are used to minimize risk to all parties through the temporary distraction or disorientation of armed and violent suspects that pose significant danger to the investigators and community. The effects of the LSDD reduce a suspect's reactionary capabilities and allow for momentary disorientation which creates a tactical advantage. LSDD is a hand delivered device and generally deployed on the exterior of structures
 - Provides a humane fright to aggressive dogs that pose a threat to investigators

- **Tear gas**
 - Chemical agents are deployed through the means of pepper ball and pepper ball launchers
 - Less lethal option from longer distances making it safer for investigators and suspects
 - Provides a humane option for aggressive dogs that pose a threat to investigators

- **Command and control vehicles built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units**
 - Command vehicles are built in various platforms to include ½ ton pickup chassis, vans, trailers, and RV style configurations. Vehicles are built to better assist in command and control during law enforcement operations, natural disasters, and public safety issues. Vehicles are designed with additional communication abilities, computers, white boards, lighting, generators, and mission essential supplies

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 - Less lethal bean bags are utilized through a marked/orange colored easily identifiable less lethal shotgun. The bean bag round is a small led pellet filled munition made of high-density cloth. The bean bag is the predecessor to 40mm less lethal having similar benefits as other less lethal platforms.

- **Rubber projectile launchers**
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 - A less lethal option that can be used at longer distances making it safer for investigators and suspects
 - 40mm less lethal has been effective in disarming violent suspects, armed suspects, and subjects who are suicidal with minimal injury and risk to the person, law enforcement or the public

The Sheriff's Department, Riverside County Probation Department, Riverside County District Attorney's Office, Riverside California Highway Patrol, the county's twelve (12) municipal police departments, three (3) university and school police departments, and members of the Association of Riverside County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff (ARCCOPS), have committed to working cooperatively across jurisdictional boundaries to ensure that all catastrophic events, response to critical incidents, search and rescue operations and many other multi-jurisdictional events that arise from neighboring counties are supported safely and justifiably. Any which require the use of any of the above listed specialized equipment are conducted in a fair, transparent and professional manner. Prior to BOS public hearing, and as required by AB481 these Use Policies have been made available on both the District Attorney and Riverside County Sheriff's Department's webpage since January 20, 2022. Following the adoption of Ordinance No.970 both the Sheriff and District Attorney's Use Policy will be submitted to County BOS annually. Upon the completion of the hearing and BOS approval, a copy of the policies will be sent to the Governor's Office. The full text to AB481 can be found here: https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/billNavClient.xhtml?bill_id=202120220AB481

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Impact on Residents and Businesses

This specialized law enforcement equipment, which is already in use by law enforcement agencies throughout the county, helps limit high-risk encounters with armed violent suspects. This specialized equipment is needed to stop escalating violent situations from becoming a threat to the safety of responding law enforcement personnel, the public, and the involved suspect(s). Contract city and municipal police department services routinely rely on assistance from outside agencies through cooperative mutual-aid agreements between multi-jurisdictional boundaries.

Attachments

Riverside County Ordinance No.970
Riverside County District Attorney's Office – Ord. 970 Military Equipment Use Policy
Riverside County Sheriff's Department – Ord. 970 Military Equipment Use Policy
Inventory of Law Enforcement Specialized Police Equipment – Sheriff-Coroner-PA
Inventory of Law Enforcement Specialized Police Equipment – District Attorney



Gregory F. Priamos, Director County Counsel 3/4/2022

1 leading standards of public safety, mitigating damages and injuries to both the public and law
2 enforcement personnel. The Board of Supervisors also finds that the Use Policy will safeguard the
3 public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties.

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5 Section 2. PURPOSE. To establish a funding, use and acquisition policy that is
6 developed with consideration of the public's concerns about safety, civil rights and the public's welfare.
7 On September 30, 2021, California Governor Gavin Newsom signed AB 481, which became effective
8 January 1, 2022. AB 481 identifies certain specialized law enforcement equipment as 'military
9 equipment' and requires oversight from the Board of Supervisors for purchase and use of what the bill has
10 deemed 'military equipment.' The law requires the Sheriff's Department and District Attorney's Office to
11 create a Use Policy that has been adopted by the Board of Supervisors after holding public meetings to
12 seek the public's input.
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16 Section 3. AUTHORITY. This ordinance is adopted pursuant to AB 481, codified at
17 Chapter 12.8 to Division 7 of Title 1 of the Government Code commencing with §7070. These statutes
18 provide for funding, acquisition, and use of 'military equipment,' otherwise referred to as specialized
19 police equipment, for law enforcement agencies throughout the state of California.
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22 Section 4. DEFINITIONS. As used in this ordinance, the following terms shall have
23 the following meanings:

- 24 A. "Governing Body" means the elected body that oversees a law enforcement
25 agency of a county including a sheriff's department or a district attorney's
26 office. In this case, the governing body means the Board of Supervisors of
27 Riverside County.
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B. "Law Enforcement Agency" means a Sheriff's Department or District Attorney's Office.

C. "Public Meetings/Public Hearings" means regular meeting held pursuant to the Bagley-Keene Open Meeting Act (Article 9 (commencing with Section 11120) of Chapter 1 of Part 1 of Division 3 of Title 2) or the Ralph M. Brown Act (Chapter 9 (commencing with Section 54950) of Part 1 of Division 2 of Title 5), as applicable.

D. "Military Equipment" means the following:

- (1) Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles.
- (2) Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers. However, police versions of standard consumer vehicles are specifically excluded from this subdivision.
- (3) High mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (HMMWV), commonly referred to as Humvees, two and one-half-ton trucks, five-ton trucks, or wheeled vehicles that have a breaching or entry apparatus attached. However, unarmored all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and motorized dirt bikes are specifically excluded from this subdivision.
- (4) Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion.
- (5) Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units.
- (6) Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind.

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(7) Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature. However, items designed to remove a lock, such as bolt cutters, or a handheld ram designed to be operated by one person, are specifically excluded from this subdivision.

(8) Firearms of .50 caliber or greater. However, standard issue shotguns are specifically excluded from this subdivision.

(9) Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater. However, standard issue shotgun ammunition is specifically excluded from this subdivision.

(10) Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections §30510 and §30515 of the Penal Code, with the exception of standard issue service weapons and ammunition of less than .50 caliber that are issued to officers, agents, or employees of a law enforcement agency or a state agency.

(11) Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles.

(12) "Flashbang" grenades and explosive breaching tools, "tear gas," and "pepper balls," excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray.

(13) Taser Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and the Long-Range Acoustic Device (LRAD).

(14) The following projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, "bean bag," rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons.

1 (15) Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state
2 agency to require additional oversight.

3 (16) Notwithstanding paragraphs (1) through (15), "military equipment"
4 does not include general equipment not designated as prohibited or
5 controlled by the federal Defense Logistics Agency.
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7 D. "Military Equipment Use Policy" means a publicly released, written
8 document governing the use of military equipment by a law enforcement
9 agency or a state agency that addresses, at a minimum, all the following:

10 (1) A description of each type of military equipment, the quantity
11 sought, its capabilities, expected lifespan, and product descriptions
12 from the manufacturer of the military equipment.

13 (2) The purposes and authorized uses for which the law enforcement
14 agency or the state agency proposes to use each type of military
15 equipment.
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17 (3) The fiscal impact of each type of military equipment, including
18 the initial costs of obtaining the equipment and estimated annual
19 costs of maintaining the equipment.
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21 (4) The legal and procedural rules that govern each authorized use.

22 (5) The training, including any course required by the Commission
23 on Peace Officer Standards and Training, that must be completed
24 before any officer, agent, or employee of the law enforcement
25 agency or the state agency is allowed to use each specific type of
26 military equipment to ensure the full protection of the public's
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1 welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties and full adherence to
2 the military equipment use policy.

3 (6) The mechanisms to ensure compliance with the military
4 equipment use policy, including which independent persons or
5 entities have oversight authority, and, if applicable, what legally
6 enforceable sanctions are put in place for violations of the policy.
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8 (7) For a law enforcement agency, the procedures by which
9 members of the public may register complaints or concerns or
10 submit questions about the use of each specific type of military
11 equipment, and how the law enforcement agency will ensure that
12 each complaint, concern, or question receives a response in a timely
13 manner.
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15 (e) "State agency" means the law enforcement division of every
16 state office, officer, department, division, bureau, board, and
17 commission or other state body or agency, except those agencies
18 provided for in Article IV (except Section 20 thereof) or Article VI
19 of the California Constitution.
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21 (f) "Type" means each item that shares the same manufacturer
22 model number.
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24 Section 5. USE POLICY.

25 A. The Use Policy submitted for approval shall include:

26 1. A description of each type of equipment, the quantity sought, its capabilities,
27 expected lifespan, and product descriptions from the manufacturer of the military equipment.
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1 2. The purposes and authorized uses for which the law enforcement agency or the
2 state agency proposes to use each type of equipment.

3 3. The fiscal impact of each type of equipment, including the initial costs of obtaining
4 the equipment and estimated annual costs of maintaining the equipment.

5 4. The legal and procedural rules that govern each authorized use.

6 5. The training, including any course required by the Commission on Peace Officer
7 Standards and Training, that must be completed before any officer, agent, or employee of the law
8 enforcement agency or the state agency is allowed to use each specific type of equipment to ensure
9 the full protection of the public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties and full adherence
10 to the Use Policy.

11 6. The mechanisms to ensure compliance with the equipment Use Policy, including
12 which independent persons or entities have oversight authority, and, if applicable, what legally
13 enforceable sanctions are put in place for violations of the policy.

14 7. For a law enforcement agency, the procedures by which members of the public may
15 register complaints or concerns or submit questions about the use of each specific type of
16 equipment, and how the law enforcement agency will ensure that each complaint, concern, or
17 question receives a response in a timely manner.

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21 B. This Ordinance approves:

22 1. The Riverside County Sheriff's Department Policy 712 Military Equipment
23 attached hereto as Attachment A and may be amendment in accordance with this
24 ordinance.

25 2. The Riverside County District Attorney Policy 604 Military Equipment, attached
26 hereto as Attachment B, and may be amendment in accordance with this ordinance.
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1 Section 6. COMPLIANCE. The Board of Supervisors shall determine, based on the
2 annual equipment report submitted pursuant to Government Code §7072, whether each type of equipment
3 identified in that report has complied with the standards for approval set forth as follows:

4 A. The equipment is necessary because there is no reasonable alternative that can
5 achieve the same objective of officer and civilian safety.

6 B. The proposed equipment Use Policy will safeguard the public's welfare, safety,
7 civil rights, and civil liberties.

8 C. If purchasing the equipment, the equipment is reasonably cost effective
9 compared to available alternatives that can achieve the same objective of officer
10 and civilian safety.

11 D. Prior equipment use complied with the equipment Use Policy that was in effect
12 at the time, or if prior uses did not comply with the accompanying military Use
13 Policy, corrective action has been taken to remedy nonconforming uses and
14 ensure future compliance.
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17 If the Board of Supervisors determines that a type of equipment identified in that annual equipment report
18 has not complied with the standards for approval set forth above, the Board of Supervisors shall either
19 disapprove a renewal of the authorization for that type of equipment or require modifications to the Use
20 Policy in a manner that will resolve the lack of compliance.
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23 Section 7. ANNUAL RENEWAL. The Board of Supervisors shall annually review
24 this ordinance during a public hearing and either disapprove a renewal of the authorization for a type, as
25 defined, of equipment or amend the equipment Use Policy if it determines, based on an annual equipment
26 report prepared by the law enforcement agency, as provided, that the equipment does not comply with the
27 above-described standards for approval.
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I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said county held on March 8, 2022, the foregoing ordinance consisting of 9 Sections was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington and Hewitt
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Perez

DATE: March 8, 2022

KECIA R. HARPER
Clerk of the Board
BY: 
Deputy

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Exhibit A: Quantity

Type of Equipment	Quantity
Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles	1
Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers	0
Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion	0
Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units	
Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind	0
Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature (items designed to remove a lock, such as bolt cutters, or a handheld ram designed to be operated by one person, are specifically excluded)	
Firearms of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotguns are specifically excluded)	0
Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotgun ammunition is specifically excluded)	0
Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code (except for standard issue service weapons and ammunition of less than .50 caliber)	67
Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles	0
"Flashbang" grenades and explosive breaching tools, "tear gas," and "pepper balls" (excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray)	18
Taser Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and the Long-Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)	0
The following projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, "bean bag," rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons	5
Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state agency to require additional oversight	0

Exhibit A: Quantity

Type of Equipment	Quantity
Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles	0
Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers	0
Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion	0
Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units	0
Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind	0
Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature (items designed to remove a lock, such as bolt cutters, or a handheld ram designed to be operated by one person, are specifically excluded)	0
Firearms of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotguns are specifically excluded)	0
Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotgun ammunition is specifically excluded)	0
Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code (except for standard issue service weapons and ammunition of less than .50 caliber)	0
Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles	0
“Flashbang” grenades and explosive breaching tools, “tear gas,” and “pepper balls” (excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray)	0
Taser Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and the Long-Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)	0
The following projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, “bean bag,” rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons	0
Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state agency to require additional oversight	0

Exhibit B: Quantity

Type of Equipment	Quantity
Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles	49
Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers	5
Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion	1
Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units	6
Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind	0
Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature (items designed to remove a lock, such as bolt cutters, or a handheld ram designed to be operated by one person, are specifically excluded)	7
Firearms of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotguns are specifically excluded)	1
Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotgun ammunition is specifically excluded)	300
Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code (except for standard issue service weapons and ammunition of less than .50 caliber)	95
Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles	0
“Flashbang” grenades and explosive breaching tools, “tear gas,” and “pepper balls” (excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray)	157
Taser Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and the Long-Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)	3
The following projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, “bean bag,” rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons	62/41104
Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state agency to require additional oversight	0

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Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants and utilize a tracked system instead of wheels for forward motion	1
Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units	6
Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind	0
Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature (items designed to remove a lock, such as bolt cutters, or a handheld ram designed to be operated by one person, are specifically excluded)	7
Firearms of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotguns are specifically excluded)	1
Ammunition of .50 caliber or greater (standard issue shotgun ammunition is specifically excluded)	300
Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including assault weapons as defined in Sections 30510 and 30515 of the Penal Code (except for standard issue service weapons and ammunition of less than .50 caliber)	95
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Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state agency to require additional oversight	0

Military Equipment

712.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the approval, acquisition, and reporting requirements of military equipment (Government Code § 7070; Government Code § 7071; Government Code § 7072).

712.1.1 DEFINITIONS

Definitions related to this policy include:

Governing body – The elected or appointed body that oversees the department.

Military equipment – means equipment that is "militaristic in nature" as identified in Government Code Section 7071 (c) (1 - 15)

712.2 POLICY

It is the policy of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department that members of this department comply with the provisions of Government Code § 7071 with respect to military equipment.

712.3 MILITARY EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR

The Special Enforcement Bureau (SEB) Commander is designated as the military equipment coordinator. The responsibilities of the military equipment coordinator include, but are not limited to:

- (a) Acting as liaison to the governing body for matters related to the requirements of this policy.
- (b) Identifying department equipment that qualifies as military equipment in the current possession of the department, or the equipment the department intends to acquire that requires approval by the governing body.
- (c) Conducting an inventory of all military equipment annually.
- (d) Collaborating with any allied agency that may use military equipment within the jurisdiction of Riverside County Sheriff's Department (Government Code § 7071).
- (e) Preparing for, scheduling, and coordinating the annual community engagement meeting to include:
 1. Publicizing the details of the meeting.
 2. Preparing for public questions regarding the department's funding, acquisition, and use of equipment.
- (f) Preparing the annual military equipment report for submission to the Sheriff and ensuring that the report is made available on the department website (Government Code § 7072).
- (g) Establishing the procedure for a person to register a complaint or concern, or how that person may submit a question about the use of a type of military equipment, and how the department will respond in a timely manner.

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712.4 MILITARY EQUIPMENT INVENTORY

The following constitutes a list of qualifying equipment for the department:

See attachment: [AB481 Military Equipment List 01-12-22.pdf](#)

712.5 APPROVAL

The Sheriff or the authorized designee shall obtain approval from the governing body by way of an ordinance adopting the military equipment policy. As part of the approval process, the Sheriff or the authorized designee shall ensure the proposed military equipment policy is submitted to the governing body and is available on the department website at least 30 days prior to any public hearing concerning the military equipment at issue (Government Code § 7071). The military equipment policy must be approved by the governing body prior to engaging in any of the prohibitions outlined in Government Code § 7071.

712.6 COORDINATION WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS

The Riverside Sheriff's Department provides law enforcement services to the unincorporated portions of Riverside County as well as 16 contract cities and Sovereign Tribal Nation(s). The department also operates in various capacities in the remaining incorporated cities as well as providing mutual aid county wide.

As established through past practice and mutual aid agreements, any jurisdiction through contract, mutual aid agreement or request must accept the department's policies and procedures governing the deployment of equipment utilized by Riverside County Sheriff employees. This is reciprocal to other law enforcement agencies.

Through the Association of Riverside County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff's (ARCCOPS) mutual aid agreement, all cities within Riverside County have agreed to accept the use of each law enforcement agency's Military Equipment policy related to any enforcement action throughout Riverside County.

Military equipment used by any member of this jurisdiction shall be approved for use and in accordance with this department policy. Military equipment used by other jurisdictions that are providing mutual aid to this jurisdiction shall comply with their respective military equipment use policies in rendering mutual aid.

712.7 ANNUAL REPORT

Upon approval of a military equipment policy, the Sheriff or the authorized designee should submit a military equipment report to the governing body for each type of military equipment approved within one year of approval, and annually thereafter for as long as the military equipment is available for use (Government Code § 7072).

The Sheriff or the authorized designee should also make each annual military equipment report publicly available on the department website for as long as the military equipment is available

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for use. The report shall include all information required by Government Code § 7072 for the preceding calendar year for each type of military equipment in department inventory.

712.8 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Within 30 days of submitting and publicly releasing the annual report, the department shall hold at least one well-publicized and conveniently located community engagement meeting, at which the department should discuss the report and respond to public questions regarding the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment.

Attachments

AB481 Military Equipment Llist 01-12-22.pdf

Riverside Sheriff's Department Specialized Equipment Inventory

- **Unmanned, remotely piloted powered aerial or ground vehicles**
 - Search and locate reported missing children or at-risk adults
 - Search and Rescue Operations to locate lost or Injured hikers
 - A law enforcement specific application involving Aerial DRONES are used for open terrain or large field searches as a force-multiplier to assist in high-risk apprehensions of armed or violent suspects. Aerial drones can be used as an interior search tool to locate suspects barricaded inside a residence or commercial structure. Larger DRONE platforms are deployed by the Sheriff's Department Unmanned Aerial Surveillance Team
 - A tracked armored vehicle remotely piloted for use in explosive ordinance disposal
 - Unmanned robotics have numerous applications. Robotics are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement

- **Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected (MRAP) vehicle**
 - The MRAP is a large ballistic armored rescue vehicle which can be used for a number of critical situations. It can be deployed for aid during search warrant services as well as rescue missions to include civilians, officers, and hostage situations with seating for 10 adults
 - The MRAP, though the County is fortunate to have good southern California weather, is primarily used in open desert areas, however, it can be used in any dangerous weather condition with the ability of extreme off-road capabilities. The MRAP is also used for large parcel outdoor illegal marijuana grow enforcement. The MRAP has 4X4 capability and able to transport or evacuate victims in a flood, fire or other natural disaster. Operation requires a Class "B" driver's license

- **Armored Vehicles**
 - Inventory includes four (4) Lenco Ballistic Engineered Armored Response Counter-Attack Trucks (BEAR-CATS). The BEAR-CATS, or Rescue Vehicles, are primarily used during high-risk tactical enforcement operations, officer rescues, and vehicle borne interventions. Additional deployments are used during criminal unrest and riots. Rescue vehicles provide ballistic safety during containment and apprehension of armed violent suspects
 - Rescue vehicle for on-campus active shooter incidents to rescue injured victims
 - 4X4 capability to transport or evacuate victims in a flood, fire or other natural disaster
 - BOMB-CAT bullet resistant rescue vehicle provisioned with a front mounted Water Cannon. BOMB-CAT use is for tactical operations and explosive ordinance mitigation and fire suppression
 - Rescue vehicles provide numerous safety capabilities for law enforcement, victim rescues, and overall community safety

- **Vehicles with Breaching or Entry apparatus attachable**
 - BEAR-CAT vehicles have attachable metal booms that can be used for breaching structures, fences, or ramming objects during high-risk incidents, to include active shooter incidents on school ground or buildings
 - TAC-CAT vehicle - A tracked bullet resistant caterpillar tractor driven and deployed during high-risk and tactical operations with various hydraulic boom attachments including claw, chemical agent dispersal box and ram extension

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- **Non-handheld battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature**
 - Explosive breaching tools
 - Avon frangible shotgun ammunition is used to breach doors and points of entry on fortified doors or structures. The rounds are used to impact door hinges, doorknobs and locks
- **Assault Weapons defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515**
 - Inventory includes AR style rifles that function at full and semi-automatic capability (fully automatic rifles are only assigned to SWAT personnel)
 - Semi-automatic Benelli shotguns
 - Increased accuracy and precision at long range distances
 - Currently used by most law enforcement agencies across the nation
- **Flashbang grenades and explosive breaching tools**
 - Light Sound Diversionary Device (LSDD-“Flashbangs”) are diversionary devices used to minimize risk to all parties through the temporary distraction or disorientation of armed and violent suspects that pose significant danger to the deputies and community. The effects of the LSDD reduce a suspect’s reactionary capabilities and allow for momentary disorientation which creates a tactical advantage. LSDD is a hand delivered device and generally deployed on the exterior of structures
 - Provides a humane fright of aggressive dogs that pose a threat to deputies
 - Explosive breaching tools are used to breach fortified structures to establish a point of entry. Explosive charges are fashioned to produce little to no fragmentation at the time of detonation. Explosive breaching effectively reduces the time spent overcoming a fortified door or structure. The reduction in time mitigating a hardened structure increasing officer safety and the element of surprise. Blast injuries are reduced by using low yield explosives that mechanically overcome door frames and locking mechanisms. Explosive breaching mandates extensive schooling and certification processes
- **Tear Gas**
 - Chemical agents are deployed through various means to include hand delivery and weapon launchable, such as pepper ball. Munitions are either 37mm or 40mm caliber, shotgun ferret rounds or cannister shotgun launched ordinance. Hand delivered chemical agents are placed in metal burn boxes to reduce fire hazards
- **Water Cannon**
 - The BOMB-CAT bullet resistant Rescue vehicle provisioned with a front mounted Water Cannon. BOMB-CAT use is for tactical operations and explosive ordinance mitigation and fire suppression
- **Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD)**
 - LRAD is an acoustic hailing device used for emitting amplified public announcements during search warrant services, barricaded suspects, or tactical operations. The loud audible technology ensures broadcasted announcements are loud and clear while offering advantages over less amplified patrol car PA systems. The LRAD can also be used for public announcements or safety advisements during natural disasters or evacuations
 - The larger LRAD 1000 system is portable and can be used for criminal unrest and rioting to provide clear dispersal orders for unlawful assembly

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- **Command and Control Vehicles built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units**
 - Command vehicles are built in various platforms to include ½ ton pickup chassis, vans, trailers, and RV style configurations. Vehicles are built to better assist in command and control during law enforcement operations, natural disasters, and public safety issues. Vehicles are designed with additional communication abilities, computers, white boards, lightening, generators, and mission essential supplies

- **40mm projectile launchers**
 - Less lethal 40mm launchers and rubber projectile munitions- Munitions are configured for high and low energy impact. Munitions have the additional benefit as a barrier round for breaking vehicle and residential glass so that chemical munitions can be deployed. 40mm less lethal has been effective in disarming violent suspects, armed suspects, and subjects who are suicidal with minimal injury and risk to the person, law enforcement or the public

- **Bean Bag Launchers**
 - Less lethal bean bag is utilized through a marked/orange colored easily identifiable less lethal shotgun. The bean bag round is a small led pellet filled munition made of high-density cloth. Bean bag is the predecessor to 40mm less lethal having similar benefits as other less lethal platforms

- **Rubber Projectile launchers**
 - Sting ball grenade launches .38 caliber rubber projectiles and are hand delivered. Generalized use in a tactical operation is infrequent in use and deployment. Search warrants, violent combative subjects, or hostage rescue scenarios are criteria for consideration and use against suspects. Sting balls have a greater application in a Jail Corrections Environment
 - 40mm and 37mm launchers capable of deploying rubber projectile munitions. An effective less lethal tool used routinely with success

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604.1 PURPOSE AND SCOPE

State

The purpose of this policy is to provide guidelines for the approval, acquisition, and reporting requirements of military equipment (Government Code § 7070; Government Code § 7071; Government Code § 7072).

604.1.1 DEFINITIONS

State

Definitions related to this policy include (Government Code § 7070):

Governing body – The elected or appointed body that oversees the Bureau.

Military equipment – Includes but is not limited to the following:

- Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles.
- Mine-resistant ambush-protected (MRAP) vehicles or armored personnel carriers.
- High mobility multipurpose wheeled vehicles (HMMWV), two-and-one-half-ton trucks, five-ton trucks, or wheeled vehicles that have a breaching or entry apparatus attached.
- Tracked armored vehicles that provide ballistic protection to their occupants.
- Command and control vehicles that are either built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units.
- Weaponized aircraft, vessels, or vehicles of any kind.
- Battering rams, slugs, and breaching apparatuses that are explosive in nature. This does not include a handheld, one-person ram.
- Firearms and ammunition of .50 caliber or greater, excluding standard-issue shotguns and standard-issue shotgun ammunition.
- Specialized firearms and ammunition of less than .50 caliber, including firearms and accessories identified as assault weapons in Penal Code § 30510 and Penal Code § 30515, with the exception of standard-issue handguns.
- Any firearm or firearm accessory that is designed to launch explosive projectiles.
- Noise-flash diversionary devices and explosive breaching tools.
- Munitions containing tear gas or OC, excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray.
- TASER® Shockwave, microwave weapons, water cannons, and long-range acoustic devices (LRADs).
- Kinetic energy weapons and munitions.
- Any other equipment as determined by a governing body or a state agency to require additional oversight.

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604.2 POLICY

State

It is the policy of the Riverside County District Attorney - Bureau of Investigation that members of this bureau comply with the provisions of Government Code § 7071 with respect to military equipment.

604.3 MILITARY EQUIPMENT COORDINATOR

Best Practice

The Chief of Investigators should designate a member of this bureau to act as the military equipment coordinator. The responsibilities of the military equipment coordinator include but are not limited to:

- (a) Acting as liaison to the governing body for matters related to the requirements of this policy.
- (b) Identifying bureau equipment that qualifies as military equipment in the current possession of the Bureau, or the equipment the Bureau intends to acquire that requires approval by the governing body.
- (c) Conducting an inventory of all military equipment at least annually.
- (d) Collaborating with any allied agency that may use military equipment within the jurisdiction of Riverside County District Attorney - Bureau of Investigation (Government Code § 7071).
- (e) Preparing for, scheduling, and coordinating the annual community engagement meeting to include:
 1. Publicizing the details of the meeting.
 2. Preparing for public questions regarding the bureau's funding, acquisition, and use of equipment.
- (f) Preparing the annual military equipment report for submission to the Chief of Investigators and ensuring that the report is made available on the bureau website (Government Code § 7072).
- (g) Establishing the procedure for a person to register a complaint or concern, or how that person may submit a question about the use of a type of military equipment, and how the Bureau will respond in a timely manner.

604.4 MILITARY EQUIPMENT INVENTORY

State **MODIFIED**

The following constitutes a list of qualifying equipment for the Bureau:

[See attachment: AB481 Military Equipment List 01-13-2022.pdf](#)

604.5 APPROVAL

State

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The Chief of Investigators or the authorized designee shall obtain approval from the governing body by way of an ordinance adopting the military equipment policy. As part of the approval process, the Chief of Investigators or the authorized designee shall ensure the proposed military equipment policy is submitted to the governing body and is available on the bureau website at least 30 days prior to any public hearing concerning the military equipment at issue (Government Code § 7071). The military equipment policy must be approved by the governing body prior to engaging in any of the following (Government Code § 7071):

- (a) Requesting military equipment made available pursuant to 10 USC § 2576a.
- (b) Seeking funds for military equipment, including but not limited to applying for a grant, soliciting or accepting private, local, state, or federal funds, in-kind donations, or other donations or transfers.
- (c) Acquiring military equipment either permanently or temporarily, including by borrowing or leasing.
- (d) Collaborating with another law enforcement agency in the deployment or other use of military equipment within the jurisdiction of this bureau.
- (e) Using any new or existing military equipment for a purpose, in a manner, or by a person not previously approved by the governing body.
- (f) Soliciting or responding to a proposal for, or entering into an agreement with, any other person or entity to seek funds for, apply to receive, acquire, use, or collaborate in the use of military equipment.
- (g) Acquiring military equipment through any means not provided above.

604.6 COORDINATION WITH OTHER JURISDICTIONS

State

Military equipment should not be used by any other law enforcement agency or member in this jurisdiction unless the military equipment is approved for use in accordance with this policy.

604.7 ANNUAL REPORT

State

Upon approval of a military equipment policy, the Chief of Investigators or the authorized designee should submit a military equipment report to the governing body for each type of military equipment approved within one year of approval, and annually thereafter for as long as the military equipment is available for use (Government Code § 7072).

The Chief of Investigators or the authorized designee should also make each annual military equipment report publicly available on the bureau website for as long as the military equipment is available for use. The report shall include all information required by Government Code § 7072 for the preceding calendar year for each type of military equipment in bureau inventory.

604.8 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

State

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Within 30 days of submitting and publicly releasing the annual report, the Bureau shall hold at least one well-publicized and conveniently located community engagement meeting, at which the Bureau should discuss the report and respond to public questions regarding the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment.

Attachments

AB481 Military Equipment List 01-13-2022.pdf

The Riverside County District Attorney's Office Specialized Equipment Inventory

- **Unmanned, remotely piloted powered aerial or ground vehicles**
 - Search and locate reported missing children or at-risk adults
 - Search and rescue operations to locate lost or injured hikers
 - A law enforcement specific application involving Aerial drones are used for open terrain or large field searches as a force-multiplier to assist in high-risk apprehensions of armed or violent suspects. Aerial drones can be used as an interior search tool to locate suspects barricaded inside a residence or commercial structure. Larger drone platforms are deployed by the District Attorney's Office Unmanned Aerial Surveillance Team
 - Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement.

- **Assault weapons defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515**
 - Inventory includes AR/M-16 style rifles and MP5 submachine guns that function at full and semi-automatic capability.
 - Increased accuracy and precision at long range distances
 - Currently used by most law enforcement agencies across the nation

- **Flashbang grenades**
 - Light Sound Diversionary Device (LSDD-"Flashbangs") are used to minimize risk to all parties through the temporary distraction or disorientation of armed and violent suspects that pose significant danger to the investigators and community. The effects of the LSDD reduce a suspect's reactionary capabilities and allow for momentary disorientation which creates a tactical advantage. LSDD is a hand delivered device and generally deployed on the exterior of structures
 - Provides a humane fright to aggressive dogs that pose a threat to investigators.

- **Tear gas**
 - Chemical agents are deployed through the means of pepper ball and pepper ball launchers.
 - Less lethal option from longer distances making it safer for investigators and suspects.
 - Provides a humane option for aggressive dogs that pose a threat to investigators.

- **Command and control vehicles built or modified to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units**
 - Command vehicles are built in various platforms to include ½ ton pickup chassis, vans, trailers, and RV style configurations. Vehicles are built to better assist in command and control during law enforcement operations, natural disasters, and public safety issues. Vehicles are designed with additional communication abilities, computers, white boards, lighting, generators, and mission essential supplies

- **40mm projectile launchers**
 - Less lethal 40mm launchers and rubber projectile munitions are configured for high and low energy impact. 40mm less lethal has been effective in disarming violent

suspects, armed suspects, and subjects who are suicidal with minimal injury and risk to the person, law enforcement or the public.

- **Bean bag launchers**

- Less lethal bean bags are utilized through a marked/orange colored easily identifiable less lethal shotgun. The bean bag round is a small lead pellet filled munition made of high-density cloth. The bean bag is the predecessor to 40mm less lethal having similar benefits as other less lethal platforms.

- **Rubber projectile launchers**

- 40mm launchers capable of deploying rubber projectile munitions. An effective less lethal tool used routinely with success.
- A less lethal option that can be used at longer distances making it safer for investigators and suspects.
- 40mm less lethal has been effective in disarming violent suspects, armed suspects, and subjects who are suicidal with minimal injury and risk to the person, law enforcement or the public.

- **Specialty Impact Munition Weapon**

- FN303 launchers capable of deploying plastic projectile munitions. An effective less lethal tool used routinely with success.
- A less lethal option that can be used at longer distances making it safer for investigators and suspects.

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SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 970 AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY, OTHERWISE REFERRED TO HEREIN AS A SPECIALIZED POLICE EQUIPMENT USE POLICY, PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 481 AND GOVERNMENT CODE §7070 FOR THE OFFICES OF THE RIVERSIDE SHERIFF-CORONER- PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY.

This summary is presented pursuant to Government Code Section 25124(b). A certified copy of the full text of Ordinance No. 970 may be examined at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, located at 4080 Lemon Street, 1st Floor, Riverside, California, 92501.

The County Board of Supervisors (BOS) will consider adopting Ordinance No 970 in compliance with Assembly Bill 481 on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 during its regular scheduled board meeting. Ordinance No 970 applies to both the Sheriff's and District Attorney's Office. Assembly Bill 481 requires the BOS during public hearing to either approve or amend their respective Military Equipment Use Policies (Use Policies). The legislative intent for this policy and subsequent hearings is to safeguard the public's welfare and provide a layer of transparency. A public hearing will take place to allow the public to voice any concerns on the county's adoption of the proposed Ordinance No 970 as well as the District Attorney and Sheriff's Use Policies."

J. Hewitt, Chair of the Board

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said County, held on **March 8, 2022**, the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by said Board by the following vote:

AYES: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of the Board
By: Zuly Martinez, Board Assistant

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I certify under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct.. Executed on this 18th of March 2022 in Green Bay, WI, County of Brown.


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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 970
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY, OTHERWISE REFERRED TO HEREIN AS A SPECIALIZED POLICE EQUIPMENT USE POLICY, PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 481 AND GOVERNMENT CODE §7070 FOR THE OFFICES OF THE RIVERSIDE SHERIFF-CORONER-PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said County, held on March 8, 2022, the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by said Board by the following vote:

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NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of the Board
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

**SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 970
AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF A MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY, OTHERWISE REFERRED TO HEREIN AS A SPECIALIZED POLICE EQUIPMENT USE POLICY, PURSUANT TO ASSEMBLY BILL 481 AND GOVERNMENT CODE §7070 FOR THE OFFICES OF THE RIVERSIDE SHERIFF-CORONER-PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR AND RIVERSIDE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY.**

This summary is presented pursuant to Government Code Section 25124(b). A certified copy of the full text of Ordinance No. 970 may be examined at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Riverside, located at 4080 Lemon Street, 1st Floor, Riverside, California, 92501. The County Board of Supervisors (BOS) will consider adopting Ordinance No 970 in compliance with Assembly Bill 481 on Tuesday, March 8, 2022 during its regular scheduled board meeting. Ordinance No 970 applies to both the Sheriff's and District Attorney's Office. Assembly Bill 481 requires the BOS during public hearing to either approve or amend their respective Military Equipment Use Policies (Use Policies). The legislative intent for this policy and subsequent hearings is to safeguard the public's welfare and provide a layer of transparency. A public hearing will take place to allow the public to voice any concerns on the county's adoption of the proposed Ordinance No 970 as well as the District Attorney and Sheriff's Use Policies." J. Hewitt, Chair of the Board

I HEREBY CERTIFY that at a regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of said County, held on March 8, 2022, the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by said Board by the following vote:

AYES: Jeffries, Spiegel, Washington, Perez and Hewitt
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None

Kecia R. Harper, Clerk of the Board
By: Zuly Martinez, Board Assistant
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