MENIFEE POLICE DEPARTMENT



Military Equipment Use Report - 2024 Assembly Bill 481

(California Government Code § 7072; Menifee Ordinance No. 2022-339)

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DEFINITIONS

Per Assembly Bill 481 (AB 481), the following definitions apply only to the department's current military equipment inventory and potential future military equipment acquisitions for operational needs. (For a more detailed list, refer to Government Code section 7070, for "military equipment" as defined within the Assembly Bill.)

"Governing body": Menifee City Council and mayor.

"Military equipment" or "Specialized equipment":

- 1. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered aerial or ground vehicles. This definition applies to the department's inventory of Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) and robots.
- 2. Armored personnel carriers. However, police versions of standard consumer vehicles are specifically excluded from this definition. This definition applies to the department's Lenco Bearcat.
- 3. 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 definition.
- 4. 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 sworn members. This definition applies to the department's inventory of rifle/pistol-caliber carbines and sniper rifles.
- 5. "Flashbang" grenades and explosive breaching tools, "tear gas," and "pepper balls," excluding standard, service-issued handheld pepper spray. This definition applies to the department's inventory of flashbangs. Additionally, this definition applies to the department's inventory of various chemical agents and chemical agent delivery systems maintained by the SWAT Team. These delivery systems are capable of dispersing chemical agents via burning, expulsion, liquid, or fog.
- 6. The following projectile launch platforms and their associated munitions: 40mm projectile launchers, "bean bag", rubber bullet, and specialty impact munition (SIM) weapons. This definition applies to all the Department's inventory of 40 mm projectile launchers, pepper ball launchers and less lethal shotguns.

7. "Military equipment" or "Specialized equipment" does not include general equipment not designated as prohibited or controlled by the Federal Defense Logistics Agency.

"Military equipment use policy" refers to Menifee Police Department Policy 706 which requires a publicly released, written document governing the use of military equipment by the department that addresses, at a minimum, all of the following:

- 1. A description of each type of military equipment/specialized equipment, the quantity sought, its capabilities, expected lifespan, and product descriptions from the manufacturer of the military/specialized equipment.
- 2. The purposes and authorized uses for which the department proposes to use each type of military/specialized equipment.
- The fiscal impact of each type of military/specialized equipment, including the initial costs of obtaining the equipment and estimated annual costs of maintaining the equipment.
- 4. The legal and procedural rules that govern each authorized use.
- 5. The training, including any course required by the Commission on Peace Officer Standards and Training, that must be completed before any sworn member is allowed to use each specific type of military/specialized equipment to ensure the full protection of the public's welfare, safety, civil rights, and civil liberties and full adherence to the military/specialized equipment use policy.
- 6. The mechanisms to ensure compliance with the military/specialized equipment use policy, including which independent persons or entities have oversight authority, and, if applicable, what legally enforceable sanctions are put in place for violations of the policy.
- 7. The procedures by which members of the public may register complaints or concerns or submit questions about the use of each specific type of military/specialized equipment, and how the department will ensure that each complaint, concern, or question receives a response in a timely manner.

PREFACE

The Menifee Police Department retains and utilizes a wide variety of equipment that falls under the definition of AB 481. This equipment is used to assist the Menifee Police Department in its ultimate mission which is the preservation of life.

The Menifee Police Department recognizes critical incidents are unpredictable and dynamic in nature. The retention of this equipment alone does not warrant its use for every incident. The equipment listed in this report assists with the safe and swift resolution of these incidents.

Policy and procedure dictate when the equipment may be deployed in the field, how it may be used, and which officers are authorized to use it. However, not all situations can be predicted. The need for the incident commander, on-scene supervisor, or officers to deploy and utilize the equipment in a manner not outlined within policy or procedure may be necessary for the preservation of life in a rapidly evolving incident.

Further, incident commanders, supervisors, officers, and specific specialized units can authorize the use of equipment for each specific incident based on the totality of the circumstances.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On September 30, 2021, the Governor of the State of California approved AB 481 requiring law enforcement agencies to obtain approval of the applicable governing body by adoption of a military equipment use policy. The department is required to seek City Council approval of their military equipment use procedure by ordinance at a regular open meeting prior to taking certain actions relating to the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment, as defined.

The bill allows the governing body to approve the funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment within its jurisdiction only if it determines that the military equipment meets specified standards. The ordinance is subject to an annual City Council review to determine whether, based on an annual military equipment report, the standards outlined in the approving ordinance have been met. The City Council may renew the authorizing ordinance, disapprove authorization for particular military equipment where standards have not been met, or require modifications to the military equipment use procedure to address any non-compliance with standards.

Finally, the bill requires the publication of the military equipment use procedure and the annual military/specialized equipment report on the department's website. The military equipment use procedure must be posted on the website at least 30 days prior to the Council meeting.

Military equipment use was recorded by the Menifee Police Department for this report from January 1, 2024, to December 31, 2024, in compliance with the passage of AB 481 and corresponding Menifee City ordinance 2022-339.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Government Code § 7072 states the following:

- (a) A law enforcement agency that receives approval for a military equipment use policy according to Section 7071 shall submit to the governing body an annual military equipment report for each type of military equipment approved by the governing body within one year of approval, and annually thereafter for as long as the military equipment is available for use. The law enforcement agency shall also make each annual military/specialized equipment report required by this section publicly available on its internet website for as long as the military equipment is available for use. The annual military equipment report shall, at a minimum, include the following information for the immediately preceding calendar year for each type of military equipment:
 - (1) A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use.
 - (2) A summary of any complaints or concerns received concerning the military/specialized equipment.
 - (3) The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military/specialized equipment use policy, and any actions taken in response.
 - (4) The total annual cost for each type of military equipment, including acquisition, personnel, training, transportation, maintenance, storage, upgrade, and other ongoing costs, and from what source funds will be provided for the military equipment in the calendar year following submission of the annual military equipment report.
 - (5) The quantity possessed for each type of military equipment.
 - (6) If the law enforcement agency intends to acquire additional military equipment in the next year, the quantity sought for each type of military equipment.
- (b) Within 30 days of submitting and publicly releasing an annual military equipment report according to this section, the law enforcement agency shall hold at least one well-publicized and conveniently located community engagement meeting, at which the general public may discuss and ask questions regarding the annual military equipment report and the law enforcement agency's funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment.

In addition to maintaining the highest levels of public safety, the Menifee Police Department is committed to transparency, public trust, community partnerships, and compliance with the law. As such, the department has authored the following 2024

Annual Military Equipment Report in accordance with annual reporting requirements outlined in AB 481 and Government Code 7072:

Summary of Use and Purpose of Use per Government Code § 7072(a)(1):

Certain military equipment described in the included *Summary of Military Equipment List* was deployed in a variety of incidents and calls for service during this reporting period.

Examples of such incidents include the deployment of the Lenco BEAR-CAT during a call involving a suicidal male subject with a firearm. The BEAR-CAT was utilized to safely approach the subject, providing a secure position for a Crisis Negotiation Team member to engage with the individual in crisis. This interaction lasted several hours, ultimately resulting in the subject relinquishing his firearm and receiving mental health services.

Additionally, department drones are frequently employed during searches for suspects evading capture. The Avata 2 drones, acquired in the 2024 calendar year, have been instrumental in searching buildings while officers are actively pursuing suspects. These drones, equipped with cameras, offer valuable visual intelligence in environments that may be too dangerous for officers to enter due to the risk of attack. The information they provide helps officers assess the layout of a building and monitor movement in real time. This live feed enables officers to develop more effective entry plans, maximizing the chances of a successful operation while minimizing the risk of injury to both officers and suspects.

Summary of Complaints per Government Code § 7072(a)(2):

The department received no complaints regarding the use of military equipment during this reporting period.

Summary of Internal Audits or Policy Violations per Government Code § 7072(a)(3):

No policy violations were noted related to military/specialized equipment deployment internally or by citizen complaint.

Summary of Annual Cost of Military Equipment per Government Code § 7072(a)(4):

Refer to Appendix B

Quantity Possessed per Government Code § 7072(a)(5):

Refer to Appendix A

Equipment Acquisition per Government Code § 7072(a)(6):

2024 Equipment and Procurement Summary:

During the 2024 calendar year, the Menifee Police Department purchased one DJI Matrice 30T drone to be incorporated into the Drone as First Responder (DFR) program. This drone offers a flight time of approximately 41 minutes per battery and is capable of rapidly responding to emergency situations, providing real-time aerial data to first responders prior

to their arrival on scene. The Matrice 30T is equipped to capture both images and videos, assess the situation, and relay crucial information such as hazards, traffic conditions, or the presence of victims. This capability allows emergency personnel to make more informed decisions, improves response times, and enhances the overall safety of department operations.

Additionally, the Menifee Police Department purchased two DJI Avata 2 drones for use by members of the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team. The DJI Avata 2 is a compact drone designed for tactical operations, enabling safe and efficient interior searches of structures for armed or dangerous suspects. Equipped with cameras, these drones are capable of navigating through doorways, windows, and tight spaces, transmitting real-time video feeds to tactical teams. This technology allows law enforcement to assess a situation remotely, identify suspect locations, and plan their next steps without exposing officers to immediate danger.

Throughout 2024, the department undertook the replenishment of its stock of smoke and diversionary devices, replacing units that had either expired or were expended during training and operational activities. During the same year, SWAT operators deployed diversionary devices in the execution of a high-risk narcotics search warrant. Officers positioned at the rear of the residence strategically utilized multiple devices to create a diversion for the occupants, while operators at the front initiated a breach and made entry. This coordinated use of diversionary devices enabled the team to enter the residence and swiftly detain the occupants before they could regain composure. The tactic proved highly effective in ensuring the safety of both officers and occupants, minimizing the need for force while overcoming any resistance encountered.

Future Procurement Requests:

The Menifee Police Department plans to seek the procurement of a Lenco Gas Ram Injector unit, which is an attachment for the Lenco BEAR-CAT. This equipment is used by law enforcement and tactical units to deliver chemical agents (e.g., CS gas, OC spray) into sealed structures or vehicles during high-risk operations such as barricaded suspect or hostage situations. The Gas Ram Injector delivers precise amounts of chemical agents into target areas and is specifically designed to penetrate tough surfaces (such as windows and walls) without compromising the structural integrity of the building. The unit is compact, portable, and can be deployed by a single operator. Made from durable materials such as stainless steel and aluminum, it features a pressurized gas delivery system, adjustable pressure controls, and a targeting mechanism for accurate application. The cost of this unit ranges from \$15,000 to \$20,000, depending on the model and accessories selected.

In addition, the department plans to procure four additional Defense Technology 40mm LMTS single launchers, priced at approximately \$1,400 per unit, and four additional PepperBall Tac-SA launchers, priced at approximately \$1,000 per unit. This acquisition will help ensure the availability and use of these tools by all patrol officers during their shifts.

The department will also be acquiring a Skydio X10 VT300-Z drone to augment the Drone First Responder program. The Skydio X10 will greatly enhance the drone first responder program by providing highly accurate thermal imaging, essential for search and rescue operations in challenging environments. Its advanced AI and thermal sensor ensure reliable data collection, even in low-visibility conditions. With rapid deployment time, robust flight capabilities, and weather resistance, the X10 will support first responders by quickly delivering critical insights, enabling faster decision-making and improving safety during emergencies. This technology could prove vital in locating people or hazards in tough terrain or disaster zones. The purchase of the Skydio X10 drone was approved at the December 17, 2024, City Council meeting as a part of the multi-year Axon Contract.

SUMMARY OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT

The inventory of military equipment, particularly consumable material (ammunition, diversionary devices, less lethal impact munitions, etc.) fluctuates regularly. This is based on a variety of factors including, but not limited to, operational usage, operational deterioration, training, maintenance, and expiration and replenishment guidelines. The Menifee Police Department is committed to transparency in disclosing its military equipment inventory and related information to our community and elected officials in compliance with the law. The department strives to provide the most accurate military equipment inventory and information at the time of this report's publication.

The following are the various types, descriptions, and guidelines for usage of military equipment currently deployed by the Menifee Police Department: (*NOTE: The manufacturer descriptions contained within are referenced via publicly accessible website source citations. The website source citations utilized in this report are for military equipment descriptive purposes only and are not an endorsement by the Menifee Police Department of a particular product or vendor.)

1. Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS/Drones)- CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(1)

Quantity Owned/Sought: DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise, 4 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 5 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- 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.
- Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement.
- Gain visual/audio data and remotely clear buildings and structure.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial costs of equipment, licensing, software and training were approximately \$40,000. Ongoing cost associated with remotely piloted aircraft/ground vehicles and maintenance is estimated to be approximately \$5,000 per year.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Any use of a UAS will be in strict accordance with constitutional and privacy rights and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations. The use of the UAS potentially involves privacy considerations. Absent a warrant or exigent circumstances, operators and observers shall adhere to FAA altitude regulations and shall not intentionally record or transmit images of any location where a person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy (e.g., residence, yard, enclosure). Operators and observers shall take reasonable precautions to avoid inadvertently recording or transmitting images of areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. Reasonable precautions can include, for example, deactivating or turning imaging devices away from such areas or persons during UAS operations.

Training Required: Prior to piloting any UAS/Drone staff members must secure an FAA Remote Pilot License and complete all training required by our FAA COA.

2. Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS/Drones)- CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(1)

Quantity Owned/Sought: DJI Matrice 30T, 1 owned

Lifespan: Approximately 5 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- Proactively respond to service calls prior to the arrival of officers, in order to collect relevant intelligence pertaining to the incident.
- 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.
- Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement
- Gain visual/audio data and remotely clear exterior areas of buildings and structures.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial costs of equipment, licensing, software and training was approximately \$16,100. Ongoing cost associated with remotely piloted aircraft/ground vehicles and maintenance is estimated to be approximately \$1,000 per year.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Any use of a UAS will be in strict accordance with constitutional and privacy rights and Federal Aviation

Administration (FAA) regulations. The use of the UAS potentially involves privacy considerations. Absent a warrant or exigent circumstances, operators and observers shall adhere to FAA altitude regulations and shall not intentionally record or transmit images of any location where a person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy (e.g., residence, yard, enclosure). Operators and observers shall take reasonable precautions to avoid inadvertently recording or transmitting images of areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. Reasonable precautions can include, for example, deactivating or turning imaging devices away from such areas or persons during UAS operations.

Training Required: Prior to piloting any UAS/Drone staff members must secure an FAA Remote Pilot License and complete all training required by our FAA COA.

3. Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS/Drones)- CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(1)

Quantity Owned/Sought: DJI Avata 2, 2 owned

Lifespan: Approximately 5 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- 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.
- Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement
- Gain visual/audio data and remotely clear interior areas of buildings and structures

Fiscal Impacts: The initial costs of equipment, licensing, software and training was approximately \$3,300. Ongoing cost associated with remotely piloted aircraft/ground vehicles and maintenance is estimated to be approximately \$200 per year.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Any use of a UAS will be in strict accordance with constitutional and privacy rights and Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulations. The use of the UAS potentially involves privacy considerations. Absent a warrant or exigent circumstances, operators and observers shall adhere to FAA altitude regulations and shall not intentionally record or transmit images of any location where a person would have a reasonable

expectation of privacy (e.g., residence, yard, enclosure). Operators and observers shall take reasonable precautions to avoid inadvertently recording or transmitting images of areas where there is a reasonable expectation of privacy. Reasonable precautions can include, for example, deactivating or turning imaging devices away from such areas or persons during UAS operations.

Training Required: Prior to piloting any UAS/Drone staff members must secure an FAA Remote Pilot License and complete all training required by our FAA COA.

4. Unmanned, remotely piloted, powered ground vehicles- CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(5)

Quantity Owned/Sought: 510 Packbot-Fastac, 1 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 15 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- o Deliver Crisis Negotiation Phone, open doors, disrupt packages.
- Vehicles are capable of being remotely navigated to provide scene information and intelligence in the form of video and still images transmitted to first responders.
- o Gain visual/audio data and remotely clear buildings and structure.
- Unmanned robotics have numerous applications and are used instead of personnel in high-risk environments to increase safety for law enforcement.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment obtained free of cost via the 10-33 federal program. Ongoing cost associated with the operation of remotely piloted, powered ground vehicles and maintenance is estimated to be approximately \$200 per year.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: The use of unmanned, remotely piloted, powered ground vehicles potentially involves privacy considerations. Absent a warrant or exigent circumstances, operators and observers shall adhere to all applicable privacy laws and shall not intentionally record or transmit images of any location where a person would have a reasonable expectation of privacy (e.g., residence, yard, enclosure).

Training Required: The Southwest Cities SWAT Team provides internal training for staff members prior to allowing them to pilot these vehicles.

5. Armored vehicles with breaching or entry apparatus attachable - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(2)

Quantity Owned/Sought: LENCO BEAR-CAT, 1 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 25 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- LENCO Ballistic Engineered Armored Response Counter-Attack Truck (BEAR-CAT). The BEAR-CAT, 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 floods, fires, or other natural disasters.
- Rescue vehicles provide numerous safety capabilities for law enforcement, victim rescues, and overall community safety.
- 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.

Fiscal Impacts: Initial cost \$238,000. Annual maintenance cost approximately \$2,000.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Use shall be in accordance with California State law regarding the operation of motor vehicles.

Training Required: The Southwest Cities SWAT Team provides internal training for staff members prior to allowing them to operate these vehicles. The officers are trained in vehicle operation, equipment use, and driving.

6. Semiautomatic Rifles and Ammunition - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(9) - defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515 & PC 33215

Quantity Owned/Sought: Daniel Defense DDM4 V7, 10 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 15 years with lifetime warranty.

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- The Daniel Defense Short Barrel Rifle DDM4 V7 is a semiautomatic rifle can fire a 5.56mm projectile bullet.
- Inventory includes AR-15 style rifles that function at semi-automatic and fullauto capability.
- Inventory includes AR-15 attachment as SOCOM556-RC2 Suppressor (10 owned).
- Accuracy and precision at short and mid-range distance to address a threat, if present and feasible.
- Currently used by most law enforcement agencies Special Weapons and Tactics teams across the nation.
- SWAT Officers may deploy the patrol rifle in any circumstance where the officer can articulate a reasonable expectation that the rifle may be needed.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial cost of DDM4 V7 / AR-15 style rifles are approximately \$2,475.00 each. The ongoing costs for ammunition will vary and maintenance is conducted by departmental staff.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: All applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force. Various Menifee Police Department Policies on Use of Force and Firearms.

Training Required: Officers must successfully complete a CA POST certified 24hour patrol rifle course as well as regular department SWAT training/academy, firearms training, and qualifications as required by law and policy.

7. Semiautomatic Rifles and Ammunition - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(9) - defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515

Quantity Owned/Sought: FN America FN-15 SRP G2, 94 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 15 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- The FN America FN-15 SRP G2 semiautomatic rifle can fire a 5.56mm projectile bullet.
- o Inventory includes M16 style rifles that function at semi-automatic capability.
- Increased accuracy and precision at long-range distance to address a threat, if present and feasible.
- Currently used by many law enforcement agencies across the nation.
- Officers may deploy the patrol rifle in any circumstance where the officer can articulate a reasonable expectation that the rifle may be needed.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial cost of the FN America FN-15 SRP G2 rifle is approximately \$930 each. The ongoing costs for ammunition will vary and maintenance is conducted by department staff.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: All applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force. Various Menifee Police Department Policies on Use of Force and Firearms.

Training Required: Officers must successfully complete a CA POST certified 16hour patrol rifle course as well as regular department firearms training and qualifications as required by law and policy.

8. Bolt Action Rifles- CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(9) - defined under PC 30510 & PC 30515& PC 33215

Quantity Owned/Sought: Remington Model 700, 1 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 10 years, but it will depend on usage.

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- The Remington Model 700 is a bolt-action rifle which fires a .308cal projectile bullet.
- Inventory includes accompanying gear Leupold magnified optic (1 owned).
- Accuracy and precision at mid to long-range distance to address a threat, if present and feasible.
- Currently used by many law enforcement agencies Special Weapons and Tactics teams across the nation.
- Specifically trained SWAT Officers may deploy the bolt-action rifle in any circumstance where the officer can articulate a reasonable expectation that a precision rifle may be needed.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial cost of the Remington Model 700 rifle is approximately \$628.00. The ongoing costs for ammunition will vary and maintenance is conducted by departmental staff.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: All applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force. Various Menifee Police Department Policies on Use of Force and Firearms.

Training Required: Officers must successfully complete a long-distance precision rifle course, as well as regular department SWAT training/academy, firearms training, and qualifications as required by law and policy.

9. Diversionary Devices - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(12)

Quantity Owned/Sought: DEFTECH Low Roll, 35 owned

Lifespan: 5 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- 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 law enforcement personnel 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 law enforcement personnel.
- A diversionary device is ideal for distracting dangerous suspects during assaults, hostage rescue, room entry or other high-risk arrest situations.

Fiscal Impact: Initial cost per item \$68.00. No annual maintenance cost.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Menifee Police Department Policy is to utilize diversionary devices only for official law enforcement purposes and pursuant AB 481 Military Equipment Use Report - 2024 Page 15 of 28 to State and Federal law regarding use of force.

Training Required: The Southwest Cities SWAT Team provides internal training by POST certified instructors for staff members prior to allowing them to use any of these items.

10. Chemical Agents and Smoke canisters - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(12)

Quantity Owned/Sought: DEFTECH OC & Smoke Canisters, 367 owned

Lifespan: 5 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable.
- Chemical agents are deployed through various means to include hand delivery and weapon launchable, such as pepper ball. Munitions are 40mm caliber, shotgun ferret rounds or canister shotgun launched ordinance. Hand delivered chemical agents are placed in metal burn boxes to reduce fire hazards.
- May be used for dangerous and/or combative subjects, riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents, circumstances where a tactical advantage may be gained, potentially vicious animals, training exercises or approved demonstrations, circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained.

Fiscal Impact: Initial cost per item \$50. No annual maintenance cost.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Menifee Police Department policy is to utilize chemical agents only for official law enforcement purposes and pursuant to State and Federal law regarding use of force.

Training Required: Southwest Cities SWAT team less than lethal and chemical agent instructors, provide internal POST certified training for staff members prior to allowing them to utilize chemical agent canisters.

11.40mm Less Than Lethal Launchers and Kinetic Energy Munition - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(10)

Quantity Owned/Sought:

Defense Technology 40mm LMTS single launcher, 7 owned. Def Tech 40MM LMT Folding Stock Single Launcher, 2 owned.

Lifespan: Approximately 15 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

• The 40mm less than lethal Launchers and Kinetic Energy Munitions are intended for use as a less than lethal use of force option.

- Less than 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 than lethal launchers have 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.
- 40mm less than lethal launchers are light weight, versatile and used worldwide by police and corrections officers.
- The 40MM launcher family of products is available in single-shot, springadvance multi, and pump-advance multi-versions.

Fiscal Impacts: The initial cost of each 40mm launcher was \$1,200. The ongoing costs for munitions will vary and maintenance is conducted by departmental staff.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Menifee Police Department policy is to utilize less than lethal launchers and kinetic energy munitions only for official law enforcement purposes and pursuant to State and Federal law regarding use of force.

Training Required: Officers must complete a POST certified 40mm course, as well as regular training and qualifications as required by law and policy. Various Menifee Police Department policies on Use of Force and Crowd Control.

12. Less Than Lethal bean bag launchers (shotguns) - CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(10)

Quantity Owned/Sought: 12-gauge Remington 870 shotguns, 15 owned.

Lifespan: 25 years

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- To limit the escalation of conflict where employment of lethal force is prohibited or undesirable.
- Less than lethal bean bags are deployed through a marked, orange colored easily identifiable less than lethal shotgun. The bean bag is a small led pellet filled munition made of high-density cloth. The bean bag is the predecessor to the 40mm less than lethal launcher, having similar benefits as other less than lethal platforms.

Authorized Use: Situations for use of the less than lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: Self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals, riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents, circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained, potentially vicious animals.

Fiscal Impact: The initial cost of each 12-gauge Remington 870 shotgun is approximately \$435.00. Annual maintenance is approximately \$50 for each shotgun.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Menifee Police Department personnel utilize the less lethal shotgun only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force.

Training Required: All officers are trained in the 12 gauge less than lethal shotgun, as a less than lethal option, by POST certified in-service and police academy training.

13. PepperBall Launchers and Munitions- CA Gov't Code §7070(c)(12)

Quantity Owned/Sought: PepperBall TAC-SA Black Semi-Auto 721-01-0005, 6 owned

Lifespan: Launchers 5-10 years.

Live and inert projectiles 5 years.

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

To provide officers with a less than lethal option to deliver a chemical agent and kinetic impact to subjects for a legitimate law enforcement purpose, to affect an arrest, prevent escape or overcome resistance as defined by law and department policy. It is a de-escalation tool to avoid further injuries or lethal options to a subject.

- i. PepperBall Tac-SA Launcher. The launcher is powered with a highpressure air bottle and the rounds are gravity fed through a hopper.
- ii. PepperBall Live Projectiles. The PepperBall projectile contains 2%-5% PAVA pepper powder, and is designed for direct impact and area saturation, especially in confined, interior spaces. Discharged from a PepperBall Launcher, the projectile has a velocity of 280-350 FPS. The projectile has a direct impact of 60ft and an area of saturation of 150+ft.
- iii. PepperBall Inert Projectiles. The Inert PepperBall projectile contains a harmless scented powder and is designed for direct impact and for training with a PepperBall Launcher, the projectile has a velocity of 280-350 FPS. The projectile has a direct impact of 60ft.

Authorized Use: Situations for use of the less than lethal weapon systems may include, but are not limited to: Self-destructive, dangerous and/or combative individuals, riot/crowd control and civil unrest incidents (as described by law), circumstances where a tactical advantage can be obtained, and potentially vicious animals.

Fiscal Impact: The initial cost of each PepperBall Tac-SA Launcher w/air tank is approximately \$1000. Annual maintenance is approximately \$50 for each launcher. PepperBall Live Projectiles cost \$700/ per 375 rounds. Pepperball Inert Projectiles cost \$250/ per 375 rounds.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Menifee Police Department personnel utilize the less than lethal PepperBall system only for official law enforcement purposes, and pursuant to State and Federal law, including those regarding the use of force

Training Required: The use of these devices is limited to those who have attended a certified training course on their proper use.

APPENDIX A

Military Equipment Quantities

Armored Vehicles

Equipment	Quantity
Lenco BearCat	1

Unmanned Aerial Systems

Equipment	Quantity
DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise	4
DJI Matrice 30T	1
DJI Avata 2	2

Unmanned Power Ground Systems

Equipment	Quantity
510 Packbot Fastac	1

Rifles

Equipment	Quantity
Daniel Defense DDM4 V7	10
FN America FN-15 SRP G2, 80 owned	94

Bolt Action Rifles

Equipment	Quantity
Remington Model 700	1

Projectile Launchers

Equipment	Quantity
Def Tech 40MM LMT Tactical Single Launcher	7

Def Tech 40MM LMT Folding Stock Single Launcher	2
Remington Model 870 Less than Lethal Shotgun	15
Pepper Ball "TAC-SA-PRO" launcher	6

Diversionary Devices

Equipment	Quantity
Defense Technology Low Roll Distraction Device	35

Chemical Agents

Equipment	Quantity
Defense Technology 1082 Riot Control Continuous Discharge Grenade CS	32
Defense Technology 1026 Triple-Chaser CS Canister	23
Defense Technology 1032 Flameless Tri-Chamber CS Grenade	9
Defense Technology 1030 Flameless Tri-Chamber OC Grenade	12
Defense Technology 6282 Ferret 40MM Spede-Heat CS round	17
Defense Technology 2292 Ferret 40MM Powder Barricade Penetrator Round, CS	24
Defense Technology 6320-A 40MM Powder Direct Impact Round, OC	130
Defense Technology 2262 Ferret 40MM Liquid Barricade Penetrator Round, CS	4
Defense Technology 1016 Canister Pocket Tactical Grenade CS	22
Defense Technology 1073 Smoke HC Grenade	6
Defense Technology 56854 OC Aerosol Grenade Fogger	10
Defense Technology 56795 OC Stream OC Aerosol	5
CTS 5230 CS Canister Grenade	23
CTS 5230B CS Baffled Canister Grenade	50
PepperBall Projectile Inert/Live	725/1825

APPENDIX B

Military Equipment Fiscal Impact and Estimated Projected Costs

Armored Vehicles

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
Lenco Bearcat	\$238,000	\$2,000

Unmanned Aerial Systems

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
DJI Mavic 2 Enterprise	\$40,000	\$5,000
DJI Matrice 30T	\$16,100	\$1,000
DJI Avata 2	\$3,300	\$200

Unmanned Power Ground Systems

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
510 Packbot-Fastac	\$0	\$200
	Free Via	
	Federal	
	Program	

Rifles

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
Daniel Defense DDM4 V7	\$24,750	\$1,000
FN America FN-15 SRP G2	\$87,420	\$1,000

Bolt-Action Rifles

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
Remington Model 700	\$680.00	\$50

Projectile Launchers

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
Def Tech 40MM LMT Tactical Single Launcher	\$8,400	\$0
Remington Model 870 Less than Lethal Shotgun	\$6,525	\$0
Pepper Ball "TAC-SA-PRO" launcher	\$6283	\$300

Diversionary Devices

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
Defense Technology Low Roll Distraction Device	\$2,040	\$0

Chemical Agents

Equipment	Initial Cost	Approx Annual Maintenance Cost
Defense Technology 1082 Riot Control Continuous Discharge Grenade CS	\$1,800	\$0
Odnister	\$1,150	\$0
	\$950	\$0
Defense Technology 1030 Flameless Tri- Chamber OC Grenade	\$1,050	\$0
Defense Technology 6282 Ferret 40MM Spede- Heat CS round	\$200	\$0
Defense Technology 2292 Ferret 40MM Powder Barricade Penetrator Round, CS	\$300	\$0
Defense Technology 6320-A 40MM Powder Direct Impact Round, OC	\$6,500	\$0
Barriedder Ferfetrater Round, 66	\$1,000	\$0
Defense Technology 1016 Canister Pocket Tactical Grenade CS	\$1,000	\$0

Defense Technology 1073 Smoke HC Grenade	\$450	\$0
Defense Technology 56854 OC Aerosol Grenade Fogger	\$450	\$0
Defense Technology 56795 OC Stream OC Aerosol	; \$150	\$0
CTS 5230 CS Canister Grenade	\$1,200	\$0
CTS 5230B CS Baffled Canister Grenade	\$1,200	\$0
PepperBall Inert Projectile	\$452	\$0
PepperBall Live Projectile	\$1,268	\$0

APPENDIX C

Specialized equipment inventory known to be owned and/or utilized by law enforcement agencies with which the Menifee Police Department collaborates with and/or may require assistance from in a mutual-aid situation for law enforcement services.

1. Mine Resistant Ambush Protected Vehicle (MRAP) - CA Gov't Code §7071(c)(2)

Purpose/Capabilities/Description: The MRAP is a large ballistic armored rescue vehicle deployed during search warrant services and primarily in open desert areas requiring extreme off-road capability. The MRAP is also used for large parcel outdoor illegal marijuana grow enforcement. Operation requires a Class "B" driver's license. Capable of transporting personnel and equipment while providing them with armored protection from gunfire.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: The MRAP can be deployed any time tactical operators determine that there is a need to move personnel and/or resources into areas in which they have reason to expect potential armed resistance requiring its protection.

Training Required: None, Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

2. Armored Vehicles with breaching or entry apparatus or water cannon- CA Gov't Code §7071(c)(2)

Purpose/Capabilities/Description:

- LENCO Ballistic Engineered Armored Response Counter-Attack Trucks (BEARCATS). The BEARCAT's 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 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.

• 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.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Use shall be in accordance with California State law regarding the operation of motor vehicles.

Training Required: None, Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

3. Long Range Acoustic Device (LRAD) - CA Gov't Code §7071(c)(13)

Purpose/Capabilities/Description: 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 larger LRAD 1000 system is portable and can be used for criminal unrest and rioting to provide clear dispersal orders for unlawful assembly. LRAD can also be used for any public announcements or safety advisements during natural disasters or evacuations.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: LRADs can only be deployed in accordance with all applicable State, Federal and Local laws governing police use of force, crowd control, etc.

Training Required: None, Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

4. Explosive breaching tools - CA Gov't Code §7071(c)(12)

Purpose/Capabilities/Description: 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.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another

agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Diversionary devices and explosive breaching tools are only for official law enforcement purposes and pursuant to State and Federal law regarding use of force.

Training Required: None, Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

5. Non-handheld battering rams, slugs and breaching equipment apparatuses that are explosive in nature - CA Gov't Code §7071(c)(7)

Purpose/Capabilities/Description: 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

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.

Fiscal Impacts: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Diversionary devices and explosive breaching tools are only for official law enforcement purposes and pursuant to State and Federal law regarding use of force.

Training Required: None, Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

6. Command and Control Vehicles used to facilitate the operational control and direction of public safety units – CA Gov't Code §7071(c)(4)

Purpose/Capabilities/Description: 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.

Fiscal Impact: None. Equipment owned, maintained, and operated by another agency.

Legal/Procedural Rules Governing Use: Use shall be in accordance with California State law regarding the operation of motor vehicles.

Training Required: Members of the Southwest Cities SWAT and CNT teams conduct routine training in the operation and use of shared command and control vehicles, which are owned by the Murrieta and Hemet police departments.

Pursuant to California Government Code §7071(d)(6), members of the public may register complaints, concerns, or submit questions about the use of each specific type of Military Equipment in this policy by any of the following means:

- 1. Via email to: militaryequipmentcoordinator@menifeepolice.org
- 2. Via phone call to: (951) 723-1583
- Via mail sent to: Menifee Police Department Attn: Military Equipment Use Coordinator: 29714 Haun Rd; Menifee, CA 92586

The Menifee Police Department is committed to responding to complaints, concerns and/or questions regarding its Military Equipment in a timely manner.