

2024 MILITARY EQUIPMENT ANNUAL REPORT (GC §7072)

MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
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2024 Annual Military Equipment Report

California Government Code §§ 7070, 7071, and 7072

PREFACE

The Monterey County Sheriff's Office is committed to maintaining public safety by providing exemplary service to both visitors and residents alike.

The deputies who serve Monterey County have taken an oath to protect our community members and the people of this state, ensuring that those who engage in violent criminal acts will not dictate the quality of life in our communities. We understand that violent crime flourishes not when our enforcement posture, resources, and equipment are strong, but when they are weak, tempting and emboldening violent criminals who would disrupt the public order.

The equipment listed in this annual report represents essential tools that may be required from time to time to aid in de-escalating intense situations or safely resolving volatile conditions and critical incidents. Possession of these types of equipment does not mean they will be used in every circumstance. However, having these tools and adequate resources available enhances our Office's capability to confront those who would bring violence to our community and threaten our way of life.

With this essential equipment, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office serves as a valuable resource to the 3,700+ square miles of our county, it's 400,000+ residents, and the countless visitors and businesses who support our economy. In addition to maintaining the highest levels of public safety, the Monterey County Sheriff's Office is committed to transparency, public trust, community partnerships, and compliance with the law.

INTRODUCTION

On September 30, 2021, California Assembly Bill 481 (AB 481) was signed into law. California Government Code §§ 7070, 7071, and 7072 codify the requirements established by AB 481 for law enforcement's acquisition, use, and funding of "military equipment."

In enacting AB 481, the Legislature stated the public has a right to know about any funding, acquisition, or use of military equipment by state or local government officials to increase transparency, accountability, and oversight. The same applies to the public's right to participate in any government agency's decision to fund, acquire, or use such equipment.

The bill required law enforcement agencies that seek to continue the use of military equipment acquired prior to January 1, 2022, to receive approval from their governing body prior to May 1, 2022. The Monterey County Board of Supervisors approved Ordinance No. 5377 – Military Equipment. The policy and inventory list are located on the Monterey County website – <https://mcso.countyofmonterey.gov/>

California Government Code § 7072 requires law enforcement agencies to prepare annually, a Military Equipment Report. The annual Military Equipment Report is required to contain the following.

- 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 equipment;
- 3) The results of any internal audits, any information about violations of the military 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; and
- 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.

This annual Military Equipment Report satisfies the reporting requirements outlined in California Government Code § 7072.

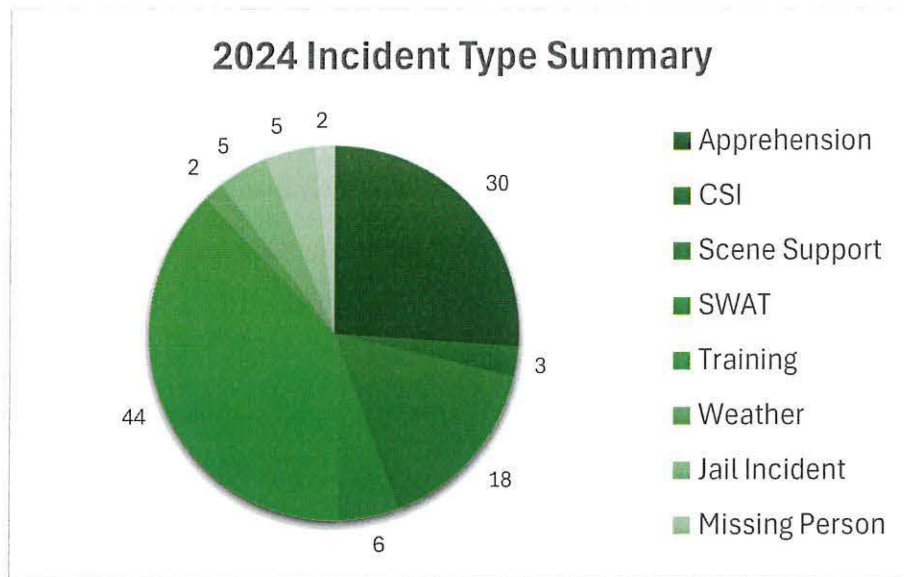
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USE AND PURPOSE SUMMARY

A summary of how the military equipment was used and the purpose of its use. Abbreviations are used to include the Operations Bureaus of the Sheriff's Office (Administrative, Corrections, Enforcement), CSI (Crime Scene Investigation), SAR (Search and Rescue), and SWAT (Special Weapons And Tactics).

Note that quantity counts references deployment only and is not an indication a weapon was discharged during an incident.



Date	Bureau	Region	Supervisor District	Equipment Type	Quantity	Mission
1/2/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Training
1/2/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Training
1/3/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
1/3/2024	EOB	Monterey	5	DRONE	1	Training
1/5/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Scene Support
1/10/2024	EOB	Marina	4	DRONE	1	Training
1/10/2024	SWAT	Marina	4	RIFLES	5	SWAT
1/10/2024	SWAT	Marina	4	DRONE	1	SWAT
1/12/2024	EOB	Salinas	3	DRONE	1	Apprehension
1/12/2024	EOB	Salinas	3	DRONE	0	Apprehension
1/13/2024	EOB	Boronda	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
1/13/2024	EOB	Greenfield	3	DRONE	0	Apprehension
1/14/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Training

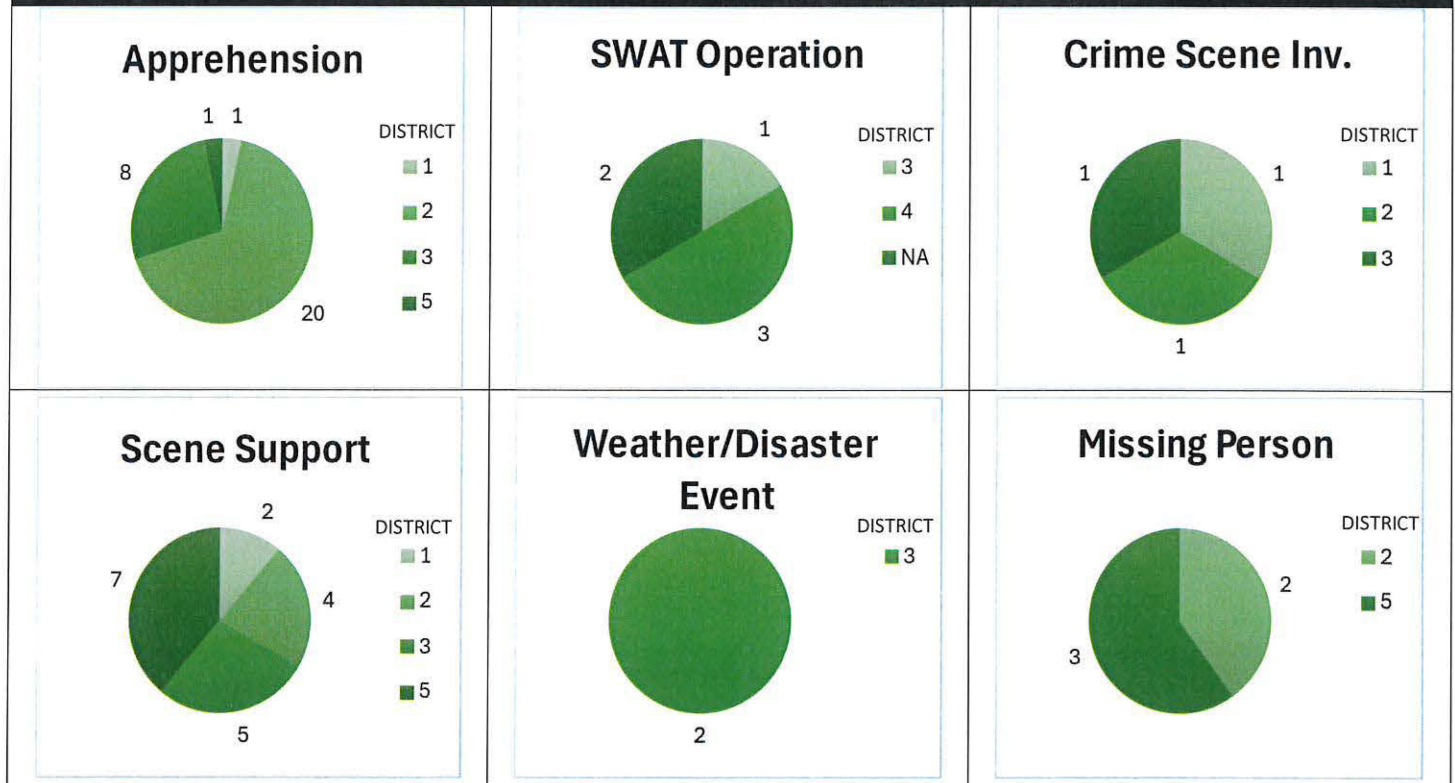
1/14/2024	EOB	San Ardo	3	DRONE	0	Apprehension
1/16/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Training
1/20/2024	EOB	Salinas	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
1/22/2024	TRAINING	Garrison	4	DRONE	1	Training
1/22/2024	TRAINING	Garrison	4	DRONE	1	Training
1/22/2024	TRAINING	Garrison	4	DRONE	1	Training
1/23/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	Training
1/24/2024	SWAT	Del Rey Oaks	4	DRONE	1	SWAT
1/25/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Scene Support
1/25/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	0	Scene Support
1/28/2024	EOB	Soledad	3	DRONE	1	Training
1/28/2024	EOB	Seaside	4	DRONE	1	Training
1/29/2024	EOB	Soledad	3	DRONE	1	Training
2/1/2024	EOB	Pebble Beach	5	DRONE	1	Training
2/1/2024	EOB	Arroyo	3	DRONE	1	Weather
2/2/2024	EOB	Pebble Beach	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
2/3/2024	EOB	Pebble Beach	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
2/4/2024	EOB	Pebble Beach	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
2/7/2024	EOB	Greenfield	3	DRONE	1	CSI
2/8/2024	EOB	Arroyo	3	DRONE	1	Weather
2/14/2024	EOB	Arroyo	3	DRONE	1	Training
2/16/2024	EOB	Moss Landing	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
2/16/2024	EOB	Moss Landing	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
2/17/2024	EOB	Oak Hills	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
2/17/2024	EOB	Bradley	3	DRONE	0	Apprehension
2/19/2024	TRAINING	Salinas	1	DRONE	0	Training
2/19/2024	TRAINING	Salinas	1	DRONE	0	Training
2/19/2024	TRAINING	Salinas	1	DRONE	0	Training
2/22/2024	EOB	Soledad	3	DRONE	1	Training
3/3/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	DRONE	1	Training
3/15/2024	EOB	San Lucas	3	DRONE	1	Training
3/16/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	DRONE	1	CSI
3/18/2024	EOB	Marina	4	DRONE	2	Training
3/18/2024	EOB	Marina	4	DRONE	8	Training

3/23/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
3/27/2024	EOB	Greenfield	3	DRONE	1	Apprehension
3/28/2024	EOB	Chualar	3	DRONE	1	Training
3/29/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
3/29/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
3/29/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
4/1/2024	COB	Salinas	1	LAUNCHERS	1	Jail Incident
4/5/2024	COB	Salinas	1	ADDITIONAL MUNITIONS	1	Jail Incident
4/6/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	CSI
4/10/2024	EOB	Chualar	3	DRONE	2	Training
4/10/2024	EOB	Chualar	3	DRONE	2	Training
4/17/2024	EOB	San Lucas	3	DRONE	1	Training
4/18/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
4/20/2024	EOB	Salinas	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
4/27/2024	EOB	Salinas	5	DRONE	1	Apprehension
5/2/2024	SWAT	Salinas	1	DRONE	1	Scene Support
5/2/2024	SWAT	Salinas	1	DRONE	1	Scene Support
5/10/2024	EOB	Salinas	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
5/17/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	40MM MUNITIONS	11	Training
5/17/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	CANISTER DEVICES	1	Training
5/17/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	ADDITIONAL MUNITIONS	31	Training
5/23/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	DRONE	1	Apprehension
5/23/2024	EOB	Salinas	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
5/26/2024	EOB	Moss Landing	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
5/30/2024	SWAT	Hollister	NA	RIFLES	9	SWAT
5/30/2024	SWAT	Hollister	NA	RIFLES	1	SWAT
6/12/2024	EOB	Gonzales	3	DRONE	1	Training
6/14/2024	EOB	Salinas	2	DRONE	1	Missing Person
6/14/2024	EOB	Salinas	2	DRONE	1	Missing Person
6/30/2024	COB	Salinas	1	LAUNCHERS	1	Jail Incident
7/1/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Training
7/3/2024	EOB	Gonzales	3	DRONE	1	Training
7/5/2024	EOB	Carmel	5	DRONE	1	Missing Person

7/5/2024	EOB	Carmel	5	DRONE	1	Missing Person
7/21/2024	COB	Salinas	1	LAUNCHERS	1	Jail Incident
8/15/2024	EOB	Las Lomas	2	DRONE	1	Training
8/16/2024	EOB	Carmel	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
8/17/2024	EOB	Carmel	5	DRONE	1	Scene Support
9/3/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
9/3/2024	SWAT	Prunedale	2	RIFLES	9	Apprehension
9/3/2024	SWAT	Prunedale	2	RIFLES	9	Apprehension
9/13/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
9/13/2024	EOB	Castroville	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
9/21/2024	EOB	Greenfield	3	DRONE	1	Apprehension
10/7/2024	EOB	Salinas	2	DRONE	1	Training
10/13/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Scene Support
10/26/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Scene Support
11/10/2024	EOB	Salinas	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
11/12/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Scene Support
11/15/2024	TRAINING	Salinas	1	40MM MUNITIONS	18	Training
11/15/2024	TRAINING	Salinas	1	ADDITIONAL MUNITIONS	40	Training
11/15/2024	TRAINING	Salinas	1	CANISTER DEVICES	1	Training
12/2/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Public Affairs
12/2/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Public Affairs
12/5/2024	EOB	Carmel	5	DRONE	1	Missing Person
12/11/2024	SWAT	King City	3	DRONE	1	SWAT
12/13/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Scene Support
12/13/2024	EOB	King City	3	DRONE	1	Scene Support
12/19/2024	EOB	Prunedale	2	DRONE	1	Apprehension
12/26/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	40MM MUNITIONS	25	Training
12/26/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	ADDITIONAL MUNITIONS	60	Training
12/26/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	CANISTER DEVICES	1	Training
12/27/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	40MM MUNITIONS	32	Training
12/27/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	ADDITIONAL MUNITIONS	80	Training
12/27/2024	EOB	Salinas	1	CANISTER DEVICES	1	Training

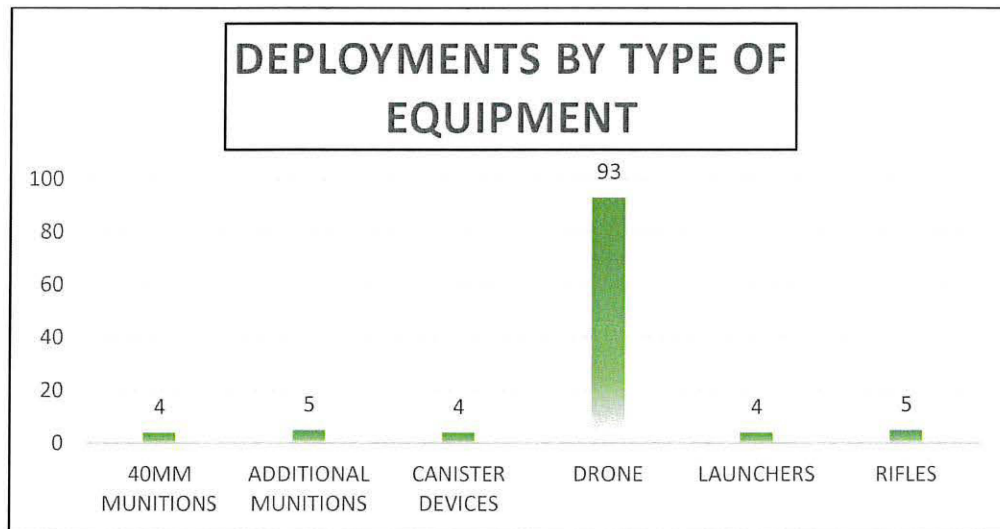
12/28/2024	COB	Salinas	1	LAUNCHERS	1	Jail Incident
12/29/2024	EOB	Soledad	3	DRONE	1	Apprehension
12/29/2024	EOB	Soledad	3	DRONE	0	Scene Support

COMMON INCIDENT TYPES COUNTS BY SUPERVISOR DISTRICT



INCIDENT CATEGORIES (ALL) WITH SUPERVISOR DISTRICT

Supervisor District	Apprehension	CSI	Jail Incident	Missing Person	Public Affairs	Scene Support	SWAT	Training	Weather	Grand Total
1	1	1	5			2		16		25
2	20	1		2		4		3		30
3	8	1			2	5	1	16	2	35
4							3	7		10
5	1			3		7		2		13
Assist to Other County							2			2
Grand Total	30	3	5	5	2	18	6	44	2	115



COMPLAINTS, CONCERNS, QUESTIONS

A complaint, concern or question related to Military Equipment utilization by the Monterey County Sheriff's Office can be made through any of the below listed methods:

By phone: (831) 755-3700

By mail: Monterey County Sheriff's Office; Attn: Military Equipment Use Coordinator; 1414 Natividad Road, Salinas, CA 93906

MCSO did not receive any complaints from the public regarding the use of military equipment as described under MCSO Policy 709.

INTERNAL AUDIT(S), VIOLATION(S), AND ACTION(S)

Annual inventory and audits regarding the use of Military Equipment are coordinated by the Military Equipment Coordinator. There were no violations noted and the items on the Military Use Report are being used within policy and in accordance with all laws.

ANNUAL COSTS

See Attachment B – Equipment Spreadsheet for further details.

QUANTITY IN POSSESSION

See Attachment B – Equipment Spreadsheet for further details.

ADDITIONAL MILITARY EQUIPMENT FOR 2024

1) Additional Military Equipment for 2024

- a. The Sheriff's Office shall make the following considerations before seeking authorization for purchasing military equipment:
 - i. The equipment is necessary because there is no reasonable alternative that could provide the same objective of deputy and civilian safety.
 - ii. The equipment is reasonably cost effective compared to alternatives that can achieve the same objectives of deputy and civilian safety.
- b. The procurement or use of any new type of military equipment, not already in possession of the Department, or approved on the current Military Equipment Policy, will require the approval of the County Board of Supervisors as outlined in Section 7071(a)(1)(A) - 7071(a)(1)(G). These procedures are also outlined in Sheriff's Policy and Procedure Section 709.
- c. The Sheriff's Office intends to purchase additional ten (10) aerial drone(s) in the future. These purchases will be made in part, on the needs of the Sheriff's Office, availability of funding, needs to replace aging or damaged equipment and advances in technology.
 - i. 8 drones identical or similar to existing equipment already in use, at an approximate cost of \$58,000 per unit. Funding for these units is incorporated into the Sheriff's Office annual budget.
 - ii. One Rook Armored Caterpillar Multi-Terrain Loader, at an approximate cost of \$475,000. This equipment will be grant-funded.
 - iii. One Fotokite Sigma tethered drone, at an approximate cost of \$71,000. This equipment will be grant-funded.
- d. Additional desired acquisitions:
 - i. Airboat, cost and funding of which is to be determined.
 - ii. Multipurpose boat, cost and funding of which is to be determined.
 - iii. King Air dual-propeller aircraft, cost and funding of which is to be determined.
- e. The Sheriff's Office may need to acquire and/or replenish a certain quantity of items listed within the Military Equipment Inventory document, specifically consumable breaching, chemical and kinetic munitions, in order to maintain stock of these items for future law enforcement use. The type (make and manufacturer) would be similar to those listed in the Military Equipment Inventory document and quantity would be determined based on projected need at the time of purchase.

CONCLUSION

In 2022, the MCSO developed and approved Department Policy 709 pertaining to military equipment as defined by AB 481. The purpose of this policy was to provide guidelines for the approval, acquisition and reporting requirements of military equipment per Government Code 7070, Government Code 7071 and Government Code 7072. This memorandum serves as the 2024 Military Equipment Annual Report and will be submitted to the Office of the Sheriff. Upon approval by the Sheriff, the report will be submitted to the Monterey County Board of Supervisors and posted on the Department website as required. Within (30) days of submitting and publicly releasing this report, the Department will announce a community engagement meeting as required.

ATTACHMENT A: SUMMARY OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT OWNED AND MAINTAINED BY
THE MONTEREY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

This attachment is a summary of the capability, purpose, and authorized use for military equipment owned and maintained by the Monterey County Sheriff's Office as defined by California Government Code §7070.

ATTACHMENT B: EQUIPMENT INVENTORY SPREADSHEET

This section is presented in summary for ease of readability. Full details of each item is listed in Attachment B: Equipment Spreadsheet.

Item Category	Quantity Owned	Quantity Sought (2024)	Gov't Code Subsection
UAV Drone (Aerial)	9	9	7070(c)(1)
Robot (Ground)	3	0	7070(c)(1)
Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected Vehicle (MRAP)	1	0	7070(c)(2)
Humvee	7	0	7070(c)(3)
Armored Personnel Carrier / Wheeled Vehicle with Breaching Apparatus	1	1	7070(c)(2) / 7070(c)(3)
Pickup Trucks	2	0	7070(c)(3)
Command and Control Post Vehicle	1	0	7070(c)(5)
Battering Rams, Slugs, Breaching Apparatuses (Explosive in Nature)	--	TBD	7070(c)(7)
Firearms	30	0	7070(c)(10)
Less Lethal Launcher	18	0	7070(c)(14)
Munitions (Combined)	--	TBD	7070(c)(14)