



Sheriff-Coroner

# AB 481-Military Equipment 2024 Annual Report

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# Agenda:

- 1 Introduction to AB481
- 2 Summary of Complaints and Audits
- 3 Summary of 2024 deployments and expenditures
- 4 Inventory Examples
- 5 Questions?

# What is AB 481?

## Brief History of California AB 481



Signed into law  
September 2021  
and became  
effective January 1,  
2022.



Established  
requirements for  
acquisition and use  
of military  
equipment.



Requires approval of  
the local governing  
body and made  
requirements for  
policy and public  
hearings.

# Annual Reporting Requirements:



2024 AB-481 Annual Report  
Military Equipment  
Acquisition and Use

- **Summary of military equipment use**  
How the equipment was used and the purpose of its use
- **Annual costs**  
Total cost for each equipment type broken down
- **Summary of complaints**  
Any complaints or concerns received about the equipment
- **Inventory**  
Quantity possessed for each equipment type
- **Audit results**  
Internal audits, violations, and actions taken
- **Acquisitions planned**  
Quantity to be acquired for each type if applicable

# Summary of Complaints and Audits:

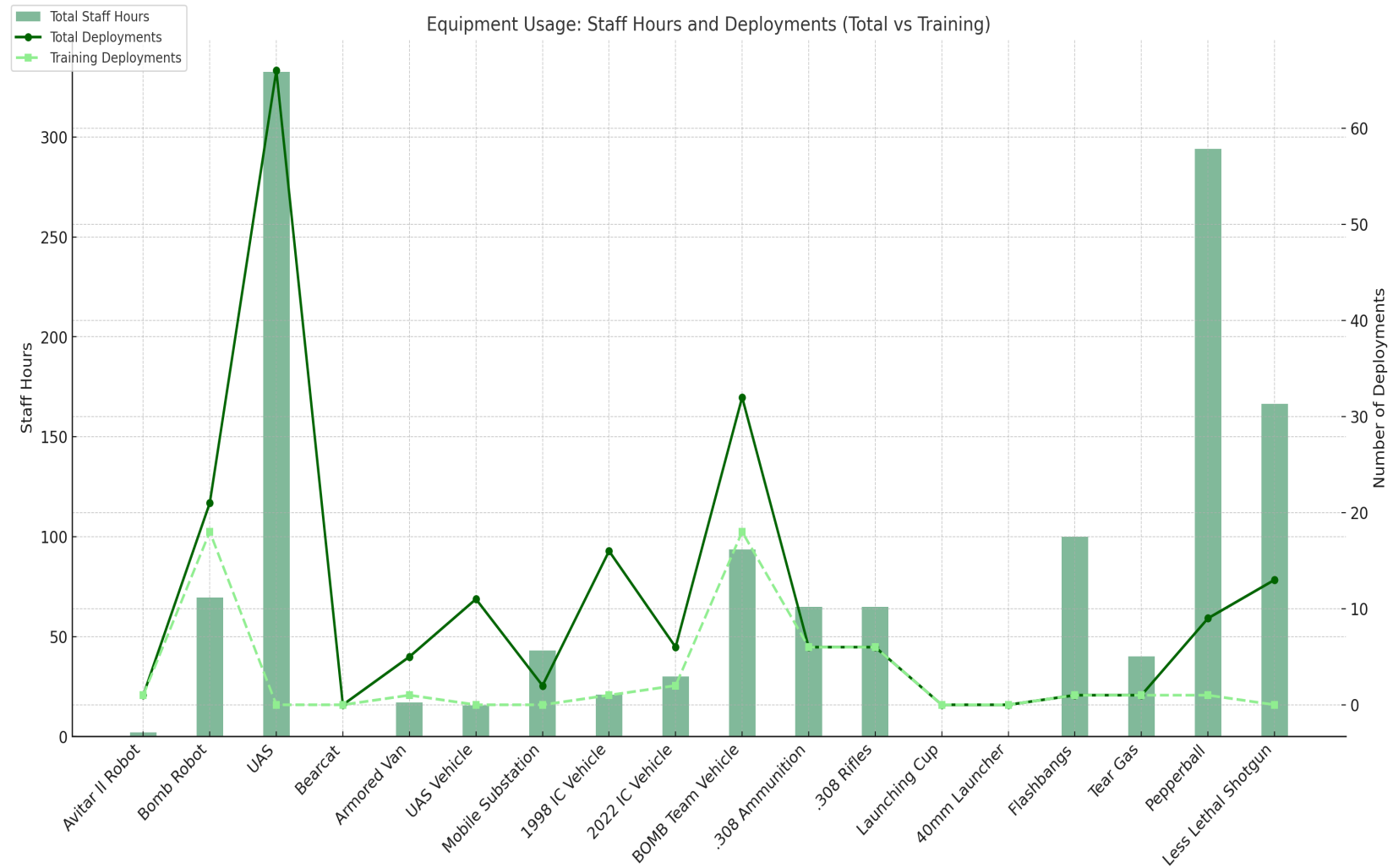
The Sheriff's Office has not received any formal complaints from the public or the Santa Cruz County Office of Inspector General regarding the use of military equipment.

During the 2023 annual report presentation and AB 481-related public meetings some community members voiced concerns about the following:

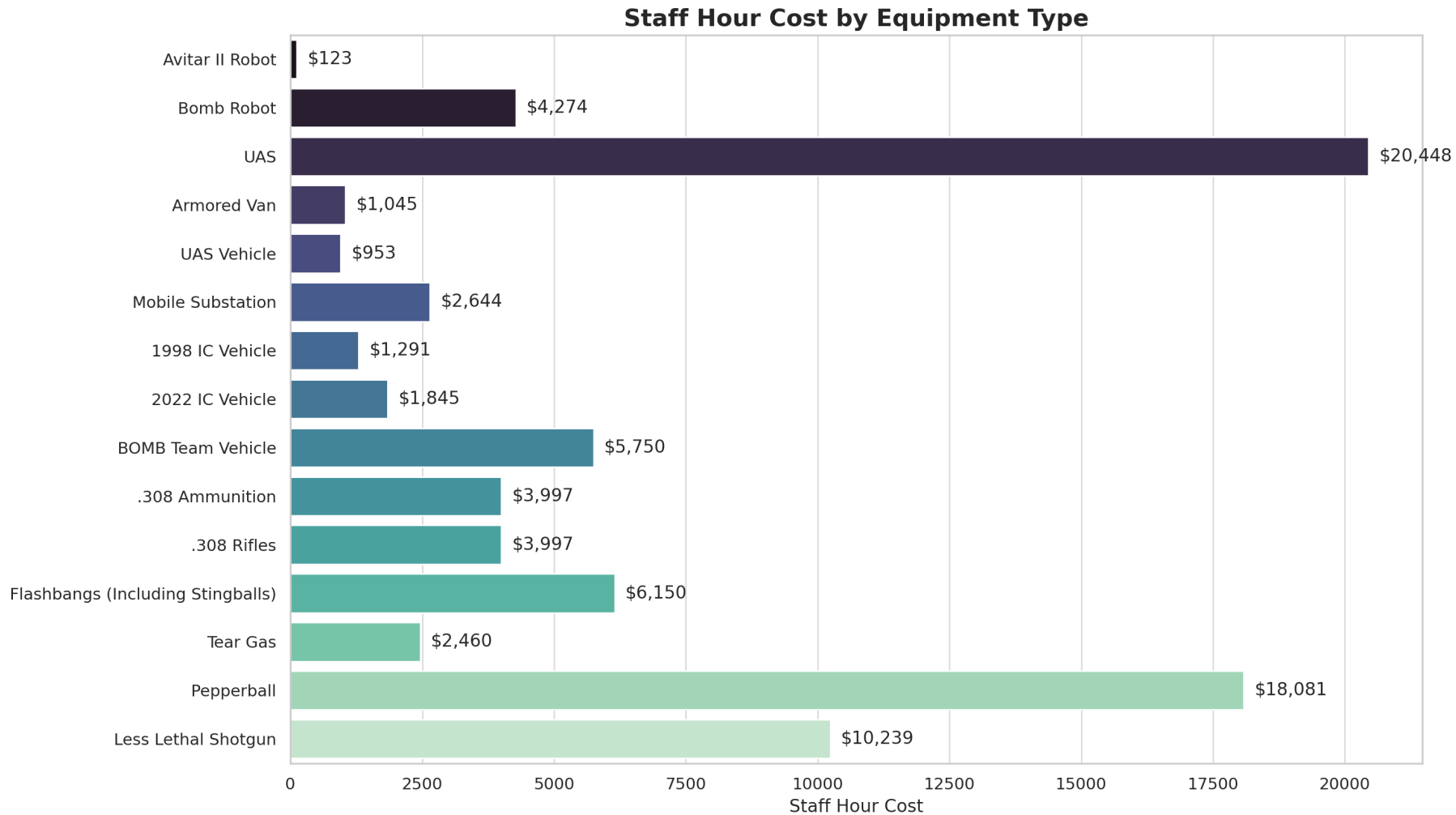
- A question about why AR-15 rifles are not included in the military equipment inventory.
- A request to offer future AB 481 public meetings in a virtual format to increase accessibility and participation.

The results of the Sheriff's Office internal audits showed the Sheriff's Office's military equipment to be in good working condition. We continuously evaluated all our equipment and decommissioned those items that were deemed no longer serviceable by our Agency.

# Summary of Deployments:



# Staff Expenditures:



# Inventory Examples:

Category 1 (Robot)



Category 1 (UAS)

Category 2 (Armored Van)





# Inventory Examples:



Category 5 (BOMB IC)

Category 5 (Mobile IC)



Category 9 (.308 Ammo)



# Inventory Examples:



**Category 12  
(PepperBall)**

**Category 12  
(Flashbang/Stingball)**



**Category 14  
(Beanbag Round)**

# Questions?

Thank You

