# History Perspective/Less Lethal Training

## Prior incidents in Sonoma County/Santa Rosa (Cinco de Mayo, war protests, etc.)

### 1. Cinco de Mayo- 2000’s

### 2. Andy Lopez Protests 2014/2015

## Demonstrator Tactics

1. Blocking Roadways/Access to businesses

2. Protest Devices

(a) Lock-on

(b) Sleeping Dragons

(c) Using chains, locks, cement Etc.

## Active resistance, non-active resistance

1. Sit-ins

2. Locking arms

3. Ignoring commands to disperse

4. Trying to push through or flank skirmish lines

5. Throwing items at officers

6. Using liquids against officers

## Intelligence, Strategic and Tactical

### Planning

### Crisis Decision-making

### Conflict Management

## Legal Issues – First Amendment Rights

### Freedom of Religion

### Freedom of Speech

### Freedom of the Press

### Freedom to Lawfully Assemble

### Freedom to Peaceably Redress Grievances

## Crowd Dynamics

### Types of Crowds

#### Casual

##### ex- shoppers

#### Cohesive

##### party

##### sporting event

#### Expressive

##### labor dispute

##### protestors

#### Demonstrative

##### Protestors

#### Crowd Personality (Makeup)

##### Aggressors – 10%

##### On-lookers – 80%

##### Leaders – 10%

G. Practical Exercises

1. Hand signals

a) Difference between open hand and fist signals

2. Line Formations

a) Skirmish Line

b) Encirclement

c) Wedge

d) Emergency Line

3. Marching

a) Full speed

b) Forward at the half step

c) Movement around obstacles (buildings, vehicles, etc.)

4. Gas masks

a) Donning

b) Doffing

c) Checking for proper fit

d) Emergency drills

## Pruneyard Decision

### Regarding activists/protestors picketing or gathering signatures in front of store.

### 1980s California Supreme Court Case regarding Pruneyard shopping center banning high school activists from collecting signatures at the center.

### Was reaffirmed by US Supreme Court that this type of activity is allowed in front of stores

### Activists can gather signatures, etc., if they are not blocking the area to the entrance/exit ways of stores

## Less Lethal Review

### 40mm

#### Rifled barrel

#### Ability to deliver variety of munitions (less lethal/chemical)

### Wire

#### Sock rounds

#### Bean bags

# Strategies and Tactics

## Formations

#### Redacted

### Skirmish line

#### Used for moving crowd

#### Redacted

### L-formation

#### Redacted

### T-formation

#### Used to split the crowd into smaller crowds

#### Redacted

### Encirclement

#### Redacted

### 5. Flank right/leg

#### Redacted

### Wedge

### Redacted

#### Back one step, over one step

### Wedge Formation

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#### Back two steps, over two steps.

## Movement (Should Encompass Every Formation Previously Made)

### Commands

#### Visual and verbal commands

#### Team leader/supervisor will issue command

#### Command is repeated by everyone in formation

### Supervisors Responsibility

#### Come up with plan for the situation. If it is a planned even have a written OPS plan

#### Manage the movement of the skirmish line. Supervisor should not be a part of the line when they are doing this but either behind the line or in another position where orders can be clearly seen or heard

### Marching

#### Left foot first.

#### 30 inch steps.

#### Turning columns.

##### Left or right.

##### Inside column Redacted

### Squad leader responsibilities

#### Repeat visual commands – step to the outside of column

#### Squad leaders are responsible for making sure that their squads are in the proper position, in formations and while marching

##### They may have to physically move them

# Specialized Operations

## Mass Arrests

### Handling of mass arrests: flex cuffs, pre-booking, transportation, report writing, etc.

## Low level use of Force Options

### Uniform Presence

### Verbal Commands

### Firm Grip

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# Chemical Agents/Less Lethal Munitions

## OC

### OC Crowd Control Aerosol

### CS/CN

### Pepper Ball Gun

#### Utilized by SWAT

#### Targeting individuals

#### Dispersing crowds

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## D. Taser

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### Demonstration and Practice

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