



# SHERIFF KOOTENAI COUNTY



**SHERIFF ROBERT B. NORRIS**

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To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Sergeant J. Bates

Date: October 22, 2025

Re: Replacement of Operations Bureau's Patrol Rifles

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We are requesting permission from the Kootenai County Board of County Commissioners to allow the trade-in of 15 Bushmaster XM-15 rifles to Arms Unlimited. The funds from the trade-in rifles will be used towards the purchase of 10 new Colt LE M4 rifles (and required accessories) from Arms Unlimited. These 10 new rifles were approved in the FY26 budget.

The following rifles would be traded-in to Arms Unlimited:

ARG504527, L536656, BFI573786, LBM30905, BFI573792, L478804, WW105107, BFIT019800, ARB42297, BRI573790, BFI573670, BFI573783, BFI573891, BFI573814, BFIT019784

The rifles listed by serial number above were all selected for replacement due to their higher-than-average wear and tear, and the fact the current inventory of Bushmaster rifles are nearly 20 years old. These rifles have an extremely high round count and should be replaced with updated/modernized rifles that are better suited for Patrol Use.

The cost of each new Colt Rifle from Arms Unlimited is \$992, bringing the total cost for 10 new rifles to \$9,920. This does not include the cost of rifle accessories required to outfit a patrol rifle for duty use. Rifle accessories include optics, weapon mounted lights, suppressors, suppressor covers, magazines, and slings.

Arms Unlimited will apply \$250 credit for each used rifle, for a total trade-in credit of \$3,750. This will offset the cost of suppressor covers/heat shields which were not budgeted for in FY24/FY25/FY26.