



**Giddyup, Mule! --** Eddy Rivera and Dennis Alarcon ride the Division 9 mule – a tractor used to push buses around the yard. The mule is unique, not because it has no ears or tail, but because it has a special bumper designed by Alarcon and Rick Merrit, now retired. The mule's bumper has special metal cylinders that roll along the rear bumper of a bus while it's being pushed. The design prevents damage to the bus and is safer for mechanics driving the mule.

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