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Terminal 31 has been reconfigured to serve as an auxiliary bus yard during the Division 1 expansion project. The former bus layover zone has been moved to Parking Lot A at the RRC.



Division 1 Opens Temporary Auxiliary Bus Yard Near RRC

- Space needed for 70 buses during Division 1 expansion
- Terminal 31 layover zone moved to RRC parking lot

(Dec. 16, 2004) Terminal 31, the bus layover zone just west of the Regional Rebuild Center at the corner of Cesar Chavez and Vignes, has been temporarily converted to serve as an auxiliary bus division for Central City Division 1.

In a memo to employees, Gateway Cities General Manager Alex Clifford says the layover zone will be used to operate the increased bus service that will go into effect Dec. 19.

"Keeping in mind that safety is always first, pedestrian activity in and through this area should be extremely limited," says Clifford. "Pedestrians should always wear safety vests and should be careful to stay within the sidewalks and crosswalks in the area."

Division 1 expansion

The auxiliary site will be in use during a construction project to expand Division 1, located at 6th and Central, onto land on the south side of the division. The addition is being built to accommodate additional buses, including 60-foot articulated



An earthmoving machine grades land south of Division 1 in preparation for construction of an expanded bus yard.

Metro Liners.

Construction of the new bus yard space has been delayed approximately 90 days due to property acquisition problems,

according to Clifford.

The December service change will result in the assignment of about 70 buses more than the current Division 1 capacity. Those buses will operate out of the auxiliary division until the Division 1 expansion project is completed.

All parking at the auxiliary division is restricted to employees who are operating buses assigned to the auxiliary division.

Layover zone relocated

Meanwhile, the former Terminal 31 layover zone has been relocated to Parking Lot A, directly in front of the RRC. Until further notice, all vehicular traffic in and out of the RRC has been detoured to the Bauchet Street entrance, north of the Twin Towers jail.

Metro employees should be aware of the temporary vehicular traffic restrictions, access modifications, safety and speed signage posted at the auxiliary division.

The auxiliary division entrance from Vignes is now restricted to bus traffic and Metro vehicles. Lyon Street, which runs in front of the RRC, has been temporarily converted to a one-way southbound street, exiting onto Cesar Chavez.