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We ask people to Watch for Bikers. I agree, we need to be seen. But, the ones that a lot of people are seeing are the riders those that are making all of us look bad. Not only are they riding like fools, they are endangering their lives and angering our "caged" companions. In the past couple weeks, I have almost had incidents with riders while in my four-wheeler and there was nothing I could do to be any safer. It is my sincerest hope that the riders made it to their destination, but I wanted to follow them for their unsafe actions, I'll say it, their stupidity.

The first incident was when I was with my family on I-25 heading to a family outing. Looking in my rear view I saw two riders coming up quickly, weaving in and out of traffic on their sport bikes. I knew they were coming, I knew they were riding recklessly, but what was about to happen not only angered me, it also scared the hell out of me. The first rider weaved in front of me just missing my front bumper of my 3/4-ton pick-up causing me to slam on my breaks. The other bike followed suit having the extra room because I was forced to cause a potential road hazard. I don't know if the other bike would have made the same judgement call, but it seemed like it was a strong possibility he would have. My first thought was fear for them, followed by anger. You are not causing awareness, you are causing a dangerous situation. Be patient. We all want to be somewhere, I-25 sucks for everyone, but if you get hit it is only going to make it worse.

I was sitting, on Blue, my bike, at a stoplight the other day, when all the sudden I had two cruisers fly beside me on the dotted lines. They when right passed me and in between the waiting traffic. A rule that has been passed by the state of Colorado and California is road splitting. I don't believe this is what the rule was intended to allow. I am not a fan of this action. I see the danger in this act out weighing the benefits. Why would you do this at a light. I guess at a stop light you don't have the worry of people opening the door as often. I can see this process being acceptable in stopped traffic, I guess. I will not engage in this action. It causes a distraction and puts people who are already angry and frustrated in a worse mood. This endangers everyone else on the road. I am going to repeat myself, we all want to get somewhere. We can get there without causing road rage if we ride properly. What I experienced the other day shocked me, scared me. Made me sad.

I know that until there is a way to block cell phone signals in cars, there are going to be unnecessary injuries and deaths to us on two. My question is, why do we have to put ourselves in any more danger by angering every four-wheeler around us. Come

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on my brothers, sisters. Let's set an example, ride with same diligence we ask of everyone else. Pay attention to your own actions. Stones/ Glass House! Have a great day and please, ride safe, ride responsible.

Warmest Regards

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