

I'm a lifelong Oregonian and motorcyclist. The reality is traffic in our city of Portland has outgrown public transportation infrastructure. I ride a motorcycle for ease of parking, gas savings, and lets be honest because I enjoy it. I spent several years living in LA where lanesharing/splitting is legal and I can tell you from experience its FAR SAFER for motorcyclists to be able to use this 'dead space' and relieves congestion and saves fuel.

For my career I spent considerable time overseas in Asia and motorbikes/scooters outnumber cars 10 to 1. There are far more vehicles on the road but traffic flows much more organically and quickly because motorbikes aren't required to stay in the lane as cars do. If they did nobody would ever make it to work on time.

I don't know what the argument could possibly be against it? Scaring or infuriating car drivers who aren't accustomed to or resent it?

Respectfully,

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