



Winter Bike to Work Day

Winter Bike to Work Day is Friday, Feb. 8! If you're new to winter bike commuting or just need a little encouragement to keep it up when the mercury drops, this is the day to make it happen.

Free food and fun times at more than 35 breakfast stations around the region, open from 6:30 to 9 a.m., will motivate

riders to brave cold temperatures. Limited evening station times vary. Find out where to score breakfast burritos, pancakes, coffee, hot cocoa, beer, giveaways and more. Plus, you'll be in the good company of fellow winter warriors pedaling to work. Check out how to dress for winter biking and tips for winter riding for a successful ride.

Ready to give it a try? Commit to ride at winterbiketoworkday.org.



I-25 MyWay

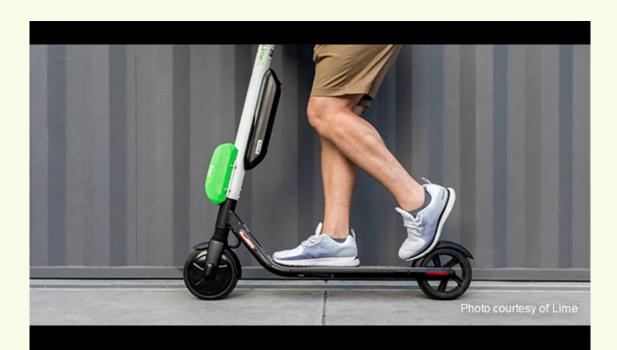
Do you commute along Interstate 25 between Monument and Castle Rock? As traffic conditions worsen with the construction of additional lanes along the 18-mile stretch of highway, Way to Go's I-25 MyWay team can help you take back your commute. Check out some of your options:

Bustang: Equipped with free Wi-Fi, charging stations and restrooms, <u>Bustang</u> lets you sit back and relax while someone else takes the wheel. Commuters on Bustang are transported from Colorado Springs to either Denver Tech Center (\$9) or downtown Denver (\$12). Try it for free! Reach out to <u>i25myway@drcog.org</u> to score a round-trip ride.

Vanpool: New vanpool users are eligible for \$200 off their first month when they form a vanpool of five to 12 people through I-25 MyWay. Vanpooling is a worry-free solution; Way to Go handles insurance, maintenance and gas, saving you money and stress. <u>Learn more</u> about starting a vanpool.

Carpool: For commuters with smaller groups or variable schedules, carpooling cuts costs and travel time. Form a carpool on mywaytogo.org and track your rides to be eligible for prizes. Need even more flexibility? Download the Waze Carpool app to schedule a carpool ride on-demand.

Need more info? Join I-25 MyWay and the Colorado Department of Transportation for a telephone town hall on Jan. 31 or <u>visit us online</u>.



Denver City Council approves ordinance to allow scooters in bike lanes

Riders and pedestrians alike will appreciate the new law allowing electric scooters in bike lanes. Previously classified as toy vehicles, electric mobility scooters posed safety concerns as riders traveling up to 15 mph dodged and weaved through pedestrians on sidewalks.

Users of the latest dockless mobility solution are now required to ride in bike lanes whenever available, or on roads where speed limits are 30 mph or less. Riders who find themselves where there are no bike lanes and the speed limit is higher than 30 mph can use the sidewalk at speeds of 6 mph or less.

Riders are also expected to park scooters in a manner that won't impede pedestrian and wheelchair traffic. Also, don't forget your helmet!



AROUND THE REGION: Smart Commute Metro North first commuter survey results are now available

Smart Commute Metro North distributed its first north metro commuter survey last month to approximately 50 area businesses. Respondents were asked questions regarding commute behavior, preferences, and ideas for improvements. Smart Commute Metro North received more than 1,000 responses from survey participants who shared their transportation habits and thoughts about improving access and mobility in the region. Commuters were most interested in transit (35 percent) and telework (28 percent) options, followed by biking (22 percent). View the full report by visiting Smart Commute's <u>survey results webpage</u>.



Boulder Transportation Connections quarterly meeting

Come to the next Boulder Transportation Connections quarterly meeting in February.

Tuesday, Feb. 12 11:30 a.m.

Boulder County Clerk and Recorder's Office 1750 33rd St., Boulder, CO 80301

All employee transportation coordinators have a chance to share ideas and strategies with other companies, learn about changes and improvements in the local transportation network and hear a range of speakers discuss transportation issues. This month's meeting will include a preview of Boulder County's Bike Friendly Driver program.



Casual Carpool on US 36 pilot program launches in February

Carpool on US 36 will help you cut down on travel time and cruise past traffic while enjoying all the benefits of carpooling — without the commitment. Connect with riders headed in the same direction using the Waze Carpool app to schedule a ride on-demand. To help you get started, Waze Carpool is offering a flat rate of \$1 per ride from Feb. 11 through April 30 for Casual Carpool on US 36 riders.

Give Casual Carpool on US 36 a try in five easy steps:

Step 1: <u>Learn more about the program</u> and download the <u>Waze Carpool</u> app.

Step 2: Are you a rider or a driver? Update your personal info to find car mates.

Note: Drivers use their home and work addresses. Riders use their pick-up point on U.S. Route 36.

Step 3: Create an account using your email address or Facebook.

Step 4: Verify your work or school email address to connect with colleagues and classmates.

Step 5: Find matches and send them a message the day before you need a ride.

Casual Carpool on US 36 is a program of Commuting Solutions in partnership with Waze Carpool, Denver Regional Council of Governments, the Regional Transportation District and the Colorado Department of Transportation.







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