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Two motorcyclists were injured today in separate incidents, according to Lacey Fire District Three authorities. Each collision involved the motorcycle riders and a passenger vehicle. Both riders were wearing helmets at the time of the accidents and are expected to survive. Neither of the passenger car drivers was injured. “As the weather improves, more and more motorcyclists are hitting the roads. With that in mind, drivers of all vehicles need to be extra attentive and make sure you “Share the Road”, say Fire District representatives.

The first incident occurred in the City of Lacey at the intersection of Ruddell Road SE and 56th Avenue SE. The rider involved received minor injuries and was transported by ambulance to Providence Saint Peter’s Hospital in Olympia. The cause of the accident was being determined by the Lacey Police Department.

The second incident occurred on State Route 510 at the intersection of Meridian Road SE. The rider in that collision was severely injured with head and extremity injuries and transported to Providence Saint Peter’s Hospital by Medic Unit. Washington State Patrol was on scene investigating the cause of that accident.

The fact that both motorcycle riders survived is a testament to the use of a DOT approved helmet and other protective gear, the Fire District states. They added that motorcyclists are much more vulnerable in the event of crash than passenger vehicle occupants and that research shows that per vehicle mile traveled, motorcyclists are about 37 times more likely to die in a traffic collision than passenger vehicle occupants.

For additional motorcycle safety information or information for passenger vehicle driver’s roles in motorcycle safety please visit: <http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov> or <http://www.forcardrivers.com/facts.html>. Also, visit: <http://laceyfire.com> for general fire and life safety bulletins and information about Lacey Fire District Three.