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## BACK IN THE SADDLE

Just get back from a deployment? How about a mid-tour leave? If you're like me, you're probably itching to take your bike out for a long-overdue ride along some back country roads. A couple of years ago, while home from Afghanistan, I got back in the saddle again, enjoying the freedom only a motorcycle provides. During my leave, I covered nearly 900 miles without a scratch — something to consider when you think about how many Soldiers die on their bikes soon after returning home. Here are some tips to help keep you safe.



## FROM GOOD TO BAD

There are a number of policies and procedures that assist aviators and air traffic controllers in avoiding near misses. However, if both do not understand the local procedures established at a designated airfield, the consequences can be dangerous.



## OUT WITH THE TIDE

As avid Jet Skiers, my wife and I have been riding on the water for nearly 20 years. We each have our own Jet Ski and consider ourselves to be very skilled riders. We learned, however, that complacency and overconfidence in your abilities can trump experience.

## DID YOU KNOW?

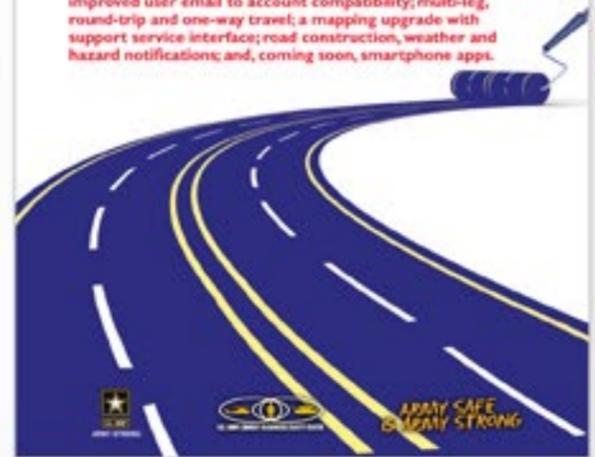
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## PRODUCTS & TOOLS



Mentoring can help keep Soldiers safe. Find out what you can do to protect your Soldiers with the Motorcycle Mentorship Program.



A collection of resources to aid commanders and leaders in the management of range operations and safe weapons handling.



The **Know the Signs** campaign is designed to heighten awareness of risk factors and provide leaders and Soldiers the tools they need to address safety issues in their unit or peer group. The signs are all around. **It's up to you to recognize and act on them.**



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