

Chris Ledoux "The Cowboy And The Hippie"

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On a highway thru the desert beneath an over pass Sat two hikers just watchin' cars go by Now one was wearin' sandles with straggly matted hair Rose colored glasses for his eyes

Now the other was a cowboy he'd been down on his luck

Lost his money at the Tuson rodeo And he sat beside what remained of his trusty pickup

And like the hippie now he's thumbin' down the road

Some folks don't realize that it's a well know fact Cowboy's and hippies ain't never got along Was it just coincidence or some weird act of fate That brought these two together on the road

They sat there without talking while the morning sun rose high

When a hot desert breeze commenced to blow And the fragrance of the incense and six weeks without a bath

Finally drifted down and reached the cowboy's nose

Well man that really did it he couldn't take no more And he tied his old bandana around his face He said you greasy stinking hippie you'd put a skunk to shame

Boy you're a discrace to the human race

Now the hippie just sat there and gave the cowboy a smile

Said man you don't smell so sweet yourself Well I'm not too sure what that green stuff is on your boots and on your jeans But whew it's enough to make a buzzard belch

The cowboy said now listen I ain't gonna that that stuff from you

No long haired freaks gonna talk to me that way get up Well the hippie said, now hold on man, what good's that gonna do You know fighting never settles nothing anyway

Now we both love our freedom and we'll answer to no man

And you've heard it said to thine own self be true We're just a couple of free spirts drifting across the land

Doing exactly what we want to do

Said now me I got my things and you you got yours And I don't see why we can't get along They say the closest thing to freedom is livin' on the road In a country were freedom's almost gone

Well the cowboy, he just stood up there and never said a word

But you know this hippie sure made a lot of sense They shook hands and parted as a truck pulled to the side

And the hippie he went East and I went West

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