Recent Weather Coverage Shows Why Americans Don’t Trust Mainstream Media

As you may have seen, Mike Seidel, a Weather Channel reporter, is in the video below battling wind gusts, struggling to stay upright. He seems to be barely holding himself up. Then you see two people walk behind him in the background, having no trouble with the wind.

The video has gone viral and Mike Seidel is getting trolled relentlessly, and deservedly.

https://twitter.com/Limerickman/status/1040678564402814977

The weather channel is standing by their reporter. From TMZ:

> *The Weather Channel has an explanation … “It’s important to note that the 2 individuals in the background are walking on concrete, and Mike Seidel is trying to maintain his footing on wet grass, after reporting on-air until 1:00 AM ET this morning and is undoubtedly exhausted.”*

The problem is, if it’s so hard to stand up on the grass (and it seems this may be true if his feet are sunk into the muddy ground as they appear to be) he should be able to easily see that the cameramen are having no problems being up on the concrete. If he was, in fact, exhausted and having such a hard time standing upright, why didn’t he just move?

Because this was more dramatic! There’s no other reasonable explanation.

This is how the 24-hour news cycle works. Adding drama is how they convince the public to back a war. This is what makes people think that things are so dangerous and kids shouldn’t

be allowed outside by themselves. This is how they divide us politically, and how they keep so many of us frightened and voting against our best interests, and/or feeling apathetic and not voting at all.

And this is why people have lost faith in the news.

Here’s another example from 2008:

https://twitter.com/iamgavinjames/status/1041047974879617024

Gavin thinks this is from Hurricane Florence. He’s wrong. One would not be blamed for thinking this reporter is on his knees, but if you look at this post you’ll see he just picked a very deep spot to stand in. Anderson Cooper is seen in the video below defending himself after being trolled on Twitter. You be the judge.

We think he could have just as easily picked a spot the better represented the average depth of the flooding. If he wanted to show the extremes he could have then moved around to deeper and more shallow waters. We contend that the spot he picked was for dramatic effect.

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Why did we post this? Because we believe that climate change is real and that it is a massive threat to humanity. And we believe that it’s news like this that sows discord, disbelief, and apathy in the public.

Bonus! Here’s more reason to hate the mainstream media: