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Dear Christy,

Welcome to *Concrete Matters*, the monthly newsletter from the Southwest Concrete Pavement Association. This monthly newsletter contains the latest news and information of interest to the concrete pavement industry in California and Nevada. Please feel free to distribute this newsletter to others who may be interested in long lasting pavements.



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### [SWCPA Applauds Passage of 27-Month MAP-21 Federal Highway Bill](#)

In a bold move on Friday, June 29, both the House and the Senate, by overwhelming votes, passed the MAP-21 Federal Highway Bill, (Moving Ahead for Progress in 21st century). The votes in the House were 373 to 52, and Senate 74 to 19. President Obama is expected to sign the bill into law.

"Major road and bridge investments are prioritized in this bill and they will have a positive impact on society, serving people in every corner of the country," said Greg Cohen, President of the Highway Users. "These projects save lives, reduce congestion, lower logistics costs, improve quality-of-life, and create long-term American jobs in nearly every sector of the economy."

### [Upcoming Events:](#)

**July 12: Concrete Task Group meeting, 10 a.m.,**  
Translab, Sacramento.

### [The Golden State will have a new California Transportation Agency](#)

**July 18: Industry-only preparation meeting** for rock products committee meeting, 9:00 a.m., Teichert Ready-Mix, Sacramento;  
**rock products committee meeting**, 1:00 p.m., Caltrans, Translab, Sacramento.

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California's Governor's Reorganization Plan will now separate transportation from BTH. "This is the most sensible reorganization the state could take with transportation," said Bert Sandman, executive director of Transportation California. "It groups transportation departments and commissions, and it gives transportation a focused voice in the governor's cabinet."

The plan establishes the California Transportation Agency (CTA) as a single-focus cabinet office emphasizing transportation policy and moves other BTH offices and departments to reorganized state cabinet agencies. BTH will be renamed Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency.

The new CTA departments will include: Department of Transportation; Department of Motor Vehicles; California Highway Patrol; Board of Pilot Commissioners; Office of Traffic Safety; High Speed Rail Authority; and California Transportation Commission.

## SWCPA Elects Board for 2012-2013

After serving for three years on the board, Paul Mignone, Project manager for Flatiron Construction Co., has resigned as Chairman. We would like to thank Paul for his years of service to the concrete pavement industry. The board has now elected a new chairman, George Butorovich, Concrete Paving Manager for Flatiron Construction Co.

The current board of directors for 2012 - 2013 SWCPA has been announced.

Officers: Chairman, George Butorovich, Flatiron Construction Co.; Vice Chairman, Rick Lewis, Granite Construction Co.; Treasurer, Matt Gotta, Nevada Cement; Secretary, Dennis Scott, Surface Systems and Instruments, Past Chairman, Paul Mignone, Flatiron Construction Co.



New SWCPA Chairman  
George Butorovich

Board Members: Tom Tietz, California/Nevada Cement Assoc.; Greg Bartholomew, Teichert Construction; Jerrald "Jay" Titus, R&L Brosamer; Paul VonBerg, Brutoco; Casey Holloway, Penhall Co.

## SW Happenings

**June 6:** SWCPA held Board of Directors meeting.

**June 7:** Caltrans Industry Cast-in-Place Concrete Pavement meeting.

**June 12:** Specification meeting with Washoe County Regional Transportation Committee, Washoe RTC officer, Reno, PCC pavements discussed.

**June 13:** Caltrans Industry Concrete Pavement Repair Task Group Meeting.

**June 14:** Caltrans Industry rock products committee charter review meeting.

**Sincerely,**

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