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### Upcoming Events:

**March 13: Caltrans  
Concrete Pavement Repair  
Task Group Meeting,**  
10 a.m. Translab,  
Sacramento. Attendance is  
open to all, but contact Craig  
Henning for further  
information.

**March 13 and March 15:  
Competitive Concrete**

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Welcome to Concrete Matters, the monthly publication of the American Concrete Pavement Association - Southwest Chapter. We appreciate your involvement and support of our mission to keep and expand the use of concrete in our roadways. Each year brings new challenges, but we are always excited to see the many accomplishments by our members. We, at ACPA-SW, continue to work on behalf of the concrete paving industry in California and Nevada. Remember to keep in touch with us - we're the ones promoting your workmanship or products to keep our concrete pavements concrete.



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### Transportation Bill Maneuvers Continue

It was recently recounted in *Congressional Quarterly* (CQ), that House Speaker John A. Boehner has sidelined Transportation and Infrastructure Chairman John L. Mica after his panel produced a reauthorization of highway programs that stirred strong objections from House conservatives and forced Republican leaders to regroup.

The report says that Republican leaders are now relying on Rep. Bill Shuster, R-Pa., who also serves on the transportation panel, and have given him a pivotal role in working with committee staff and leaders in an effort to write a new bill that bridges differences among House Republicans.

CQ finds that Boehner's effort to salvage the bill (HR 7) - a measure he embraced as his signature legislation - is intended to quickly find the right policy prescriptions needed to secure a House majority in order to pass the reauthorization before a short-term extension (PL 112-30) of the funding for infrastructure programs expires March 31.



Sincerely,

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