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## Paul Ryan Says House Infrastructure Action Will Happen in 'Stages'

The House speaker's remarks come one day after he ruled out the idea of raising the gas tax.

House Republicans will move ahead with a series of infrastructure bills in the coming months, Speaker Paul Ryan said Thursday.

The Wisconsin Republican's comments came a day after he ruled out the possibility of hiking the federal gas tax, and as the Trump administration is promoting a public works plan that calls for \$200 billion of federal spending, mostly for new grant programs.

Until legislation starts to emerge, it will be unclear how closely the efforts Ryan described will hew toward the plan Trump has proposed. Some of the bills the speaker referenced were due to arise in Congress even without any extra prodding by the president.

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