AMCA Washington Conference
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Purpose

★ Educate ourselves on legislative issues

★ Speak to our elected representatives
First day begins at noon

★ Legislative issues

- Clean Water Act/NPDES
- Funding for National Disease Surveillance (ELC)
- Endangered Species Act and Mosquito Control
- FQPA Appropriations
- Mosquito Control on Wildlife Refuges
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★ Key House and Senate Committees and Subcommittees...and how things work!

Appropriations – Jack Kingston
Sanford Bishop
Tom Graves

Agriculture - Saxby Chambliss

Environment and Public Works – Barbara Boxer, Chair
Second day – Capitol Hill Visits

 starred Legislative Aides
Second day – Capitol Hill Visits

★ Kudos to Elmer

Appointments – even after we arrived
Start weeks in advance
Senate and House on different sides of the Capitol
11 of 15 Senators and Representatives arranged
EMERGENCY ESCAPE HOODS

DO NOT USE IN CASE OF FIRE
USE ONLY WHEN DIRECTED BY THE U.S. CAPITOL POLICE.
CONTAINER IS ALARMED.
BREAK SEAL BY LIFTING TOP OF CABINET.
Second day – Capitol Hill Visits

★ Kudos to Ros
★ What did we accomplish

All 15 offices visited to meet key legislators or assistants, and to leave information
Second day – Capitol Hill Visits

★ What did we accomplish

Two representatives voted against HR 872

Neither did this for technical or political reasons

Their office/staff did not fully understand the issue

They agreed to reconsider if the issue came back
Second day – Capitol Hill Visits

★ What did we accomplish

Explain the importance of funding for the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Grant
Follow-Up to Capitol Hill Visits

★ Ros has corresponded with everyone that was contacted during the visits

★ Elmer is serving as our primary contact for follow-up visits with legislators
Summary, the:

★ Lack of factual information on issues
★ Continued uncertainty of Senate action on HR 872

Emphasizes the need for all individuals to get involved
Questions?