2012 AMCA Washington Conference

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• Purpose

★ Speak to our elected Congressmen

★ Educate ourselves on legislative issues
Preparation to Visit Capitol Hill

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Mark and Dave Role Play
Second day – Capitol Hill Visits

★ Legislative Aides only in 2012
Legislative issues – Same as 2011!!

- 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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★ Big Thank You to Elmer ★

- Appointments with 10 of 15 Legislative Aides for Georgia Senators and Representatives
- Left Point Papers at the other 5 offices
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★ What did we accomplish

1) Restated our concerns for passing HR 872

2) Reinforced the need for Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Grant funding

3) Very subdued atmosphere this year!!
1. All states have implemented (wide variation) -- LA vs CA

2. As a stand alone initiative 
   --Passed in House; stalled by Senate leadership

3. As a Farm Bill amendment 
   --Farm Bill Passed in Senate w/o HR 872 
   --Debated in the House 
   --Extension anticipated rather than new version
Summary of our participation:

- Congress suffers from a lack of factual information
- Continued uncertainty about HR 872
- Emphasized the need for continued contact

Emphasizes the need for all individuals to get involved

- Scholarships thorough Central Life Sciences
Questions?