

2012 Annual RAMP Meeting

USDA RAMP project: A Reduced-Risk System for Managing Thrips and Tomato Spotted Wilt Virus in Tomato and Pepper in the Southeastern USA, held in conjunction with the Southeast Regional Fruit and Vegetable Trade Show at Savannah, Georgia (early registration Dec 16)

<http://www.seregionalconference.com/index.html>

Location: Savannah Convention Center Jasper Board Room

Thursday, January 5 at 4:00 - 6:00 PM - Overview of activities in 2011 and plans for 2012

Friday, January 6 at 8:00 AM - 5:00 PM – RAMP website development

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Program:

NOTE: We'll just have to do the best we can to work around individual commitments of RAMP team members as there will be other SERFVG Conference activities during these periods. If you have specific commitment at the SEFVGC, please let me know, so I can attempt to make adjustments to the following agenda.

Thursday. Review 2011 highlights of data collected by state (Riley-GA, Olson-FL, Smith-SC, Beaudoin-NC)

a. Plans for 2012 and beyond (extension)

Friday. Website <http://tswvramp.org/>

i. Description of TSWV and pathosystem – link to details

ii. Vectors and vector biology – link to details

iii. Epidemiology

iv. Management – general description of approaches (mulch, HPR, Imidacloprid, Actigard, Planting date, Chemical control of vector, Weed Management). Description, benefits and constraints of each.

Note that there will need to be a management links for tomato and pepper by state or state group – like these provided by Steve Olson: tomatoes, <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/in895> and peppers and eggplant, <http://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/in401> .