



# What's Happening at NCIS

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## Topics this week:

- Crop Insurance Handbook: A Guide for State Crop Insurance Regulators
- Technology and Information Processing Committee Meets at NCIS
- Crop-Hail Actuarial and Statistics Committee Meets at NCIS
- Approved Insurance Providers Conference Call
- Visitors from the University of Arkansas



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Another active week at NCIS. With many new and important developments taking place in our industry, we bring you a “round-up” of NCIS activities, meetings, projects and progress. A list of future events will also be included in each edition.

We welcome your comments and look forward to sharing this update with you.

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### Crop Insurance Handbook: A Guide for State Crop Insurance Regulators

A representative from the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC), along with Dave Miller RMA/DC and staff from NCIS, met this week to work on a revised Crop Insurance Handbook for NAIC. The last revision of the Handbook was completed in December 2001. This handbook is designed to explain to the State Insurance Regulators the structure and characteristics of the Federal Crop Insurance program compared to the private insurance policies, such as Crop Hail, that are regulated by the individual states and their laws.

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### Technology and Information Processing (TIP) Committee Meets at NCIS

The NCIS Technology & Information Processing Committee held their annual meeting last Tuesday and Wednesday, May 1-2. Crop-Hail production reporting, Crop Adjuster Proficiency Program (CAPP) systems activities, and upcoming system initiatives were discussed on Tuesday. Wednesday's session was a full day of meeting with RMA, which included representatives from all three Product Management divisions, RMA's CIO and the ITM Project Manager. Topics included upcoming policy and procedural changes for 2013, ACRSI and CIMS updates, actuarial issues, system, contracting and budget issues, remaining ITM development priorities and timelines, and PASS processing issues.



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### **Crop Hail Actuarial and Statistical (CH A&S) Committee Meets at NCIS**

The NCIS Crop-Hail Actuarial & Statistics Committee held their spring meeting at the NCIS office on Thursday and Friday, May 3-4 this past week. The Committee reviewed 2013 Final Average Loss Cost (FALC) filing results for the following states: Southeast states, Arkansas, Missouri, California, Nevada, Idaho, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin, Montana and Wyoming. Production Plan statistics from the 2011 crop year were also discussed at the meeting.



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### **Approved Insurance Providers (AIP) Conference Call**

The Approved Insurance Providers and NCIS Staff participated in a conference call Wednesday. NCIS and the AIPs communicate regularly through conference calls to stay abreast of issues affecting the membership.

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### **Visitors from the University of Arkansas**

NCIS welcomed visitors from Arkansas this past week, including Eric J. Wailes (L.C. Carter Chairholder and Distinguished Professor-University of Arkansas), Bobby Coats (Extension Economist), Brad Watkins (Rice Research Economist), and Vuko Karov (Farm Bill Research Associate). NCIS staff explained its role in the crop insurance industry and answered questions regarding crop insurance.



## Future Meetings and Events Calendar

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>
<b>2012 Meetings</b>	
FCIC Board Meeting	May 8-10
Data Mining Steering Committee	May 10
NCIS Program Development Committee	May 15 & 16
Federal Crop Insurance Partnership Meeting	June 21
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	June 25 & 26
NCIS Fall Update Conference	July 24 & 25
FCIC Board Meeting	August 7-9
NAIC Meeting	August 11-14
FCIC Board Meeting	September 18-20
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	September 19 & 20
FCIC Board Meeting	November 6-8
NCIS Spring Update Conference	November 7 & 8
Federal Crop Insurance Partnership Meeting	November 27 & 28
NAIC Meeting	Nov 29 – Dec 2
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	December 13 & 14
<b>2013 Meetings</b>	
NCIS Claims Managers Conference	January 23 & 24
Crop Insurance Industry Annual Convention	February 10-13
Commodity Classic	Feb 28 – March 2
NCIS Fall Update Conference	July 16 & 17
NCIS Spring Update Conference	November 6 & 7