



# What's Happening at NCIS

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## Topics this week:

- 2013 NAIC Spring Meeting
- 2013 National Risk Management Education Conference
- Data Mining Steering Committee



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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.



Michigan vs. Louisville – Tonight @ 8:23 PM CST

## 2013 National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC) Spring Meeting

NCIS staff, Mike Sieben and Dean Strasser, attended the 2013 Spring NAIC National Meeting held in Houston, Texas. Both made presentations to the NAIC's Crop Insurance Working Group updating them on the Crop Adjuster Proficiency Program (CAPP®), Adjuster licensing, efforts of the industry in successfully making timely claim payments in the 2012 crop year. Also making presentations to the group was Brook Stringer of NAIC's Washington D.C. office and Dave Miller, Director, Reinsurance Services Division of RMA. Ms. Stringer provided the group an update on current Farm Bill activities and how the focus on reduced budgets could have an effect on agriculture. Dave Miller provided the group an overview of each State's current premium and loss ratio and reviewed the prohibition of rebating in the Federal crop insurance program.



### **2013 National Risk Management Education Conference**

NCIS participated in the 2013 National Risk Management Education Conference in Denver, Colorado, April 2-4. This conference was organized and sponsored by the United States Department of Agriculture/National Institute of Food and Agriculture (USDA/NIFA), the four Extension Regional Risk Management Education Centers, and the Digital Center for Risk Management at the University of Minnesota. The conference brings together private and public sector educators, crop insurance agents, lenders, and other agricultural professionals. This allows the over 200 participants to share ongoing and emerging successful risk management education efforts which target agricultural producers and their families. Dr. Laurence Crane provided an overview of the outreach activities that NCIS conducts on behalf of the crop insurance industry in providing risk management education to new, small, limited resource, and socially disadvantaged farmers and ranchers.

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### **Data Mining Steering Committee**

Approved Insurance Provider (AIP) members of the Data Mining Steering Committee, along with representatives from National Crop Insurance Services, Center for Agribusiness Excellence (CAE) and Risk Management Agency (RMA) met in Raleigh, North Carolina, on April 3. The tools and reports that are now available to AIPs via CAE's Hyper Dynamic Reporting Application (HyDRA) application were discussed. Additional ways HyDRA might be developed for utilization by AIPs in gaining a proactive claim, quality control or underwriting efficiencies were also explored. Also discussed were the various scenarios that were employed by CAE in generating the 2013 Spot Check lists, which have been recently distributed to AIPs.

### Future Meetings and Events Calendar

<i><b>Event</b></i>	<i><b>Date(s)</b></i>	<i><b>Location</b></i>
<b>2013 Meetings</b>		
NCIS Communications & Outreach Meeting	April 10	Overland Park, KS
NCIS Training & Education Meeting	April 16-17	Overland Park, KS
NCIS MPCI/PPLA Meeting	April 23-24	Overland Park, KS
NCIS Approved Insurance Providers Meeting	April 24-25	Overland Park, KS
NCIS CH/PPLA Meeting	April 30-May 1	Overland Park, KS
Canadian Crop Hail Association	May 1	Overland Park, KS
NCIS TIP Meeting	May 7-8	Overland Park, KS
NCIS Crop Hail A&S Committee Meeting	May 15	Overland Park, KS
NCIS PDC Meeting	May 29-30	Overland Park, KS
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	June 24-25	Offsite
NCIS Fall Update Conference	July 16-17	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 24-27	Indianapolis, IN
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	September 17-18	Overland Park, KS
AIAG (International Association of Agricultural Production Insurers)	Sept 29-Oct 2	Vienna, Austria
NCIS Spring Update Conference	November 6-7	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 15-18	Washington, DC
<b>2014 Meetings</b>		
2014 Claims Managers Conference	January 22-23	Overland Park, KS
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 9-12	Scottsdale, AZ
2015 Fall Update Conference	July 22-23	Overland Park, KS
2015 Spring Update Conference	November 5-6	Overland Park, KS