



What's Happening at NCIS

December 2, 2013

Topics this week:

- MPCl School
- Minnesota Department Insurance Meeting
- Korean Delegation Visit
- Chicago Federal Reserve Bank Annual Convention
- CAPP Card Renewal



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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.



MPCl Citrus, Fruit and Nursery School

The last 2013 NCIS school was held in Kissimmee, Florida on November 19 and 20. Fifty-six participants, representing nine insurance providers, attended the Florida Citrus Fruit and Nursery School. The agenda included presentations made by company representatives on the policy, underwriting guide, and loss handbooks for each crop. This school focused on Florida crops which have specific differences because of the fresh market dollar crops insured. John Bishop, RMA, was also in attendance and helped answer questions.

Minnesota Department of Insurance Meeting

At the invitation of the Minnesota Department of Commerce, Frank Schnapp and Therese Stom of NCIS traveled to Minnesota on November 21 to meet with representatives of the state agency responsible for insurance regulation. The Department had requested the meeting in order to gain a better understanding of crop insurance in general, the differences between the Crop-Hail and MPCl programs, the regulation of private products for the two programs, the role of NCIS in working with the industry, current Crop-Hail filing issues, and the status of the current Farm Bill.

Meeting with Korean Delegation

On November 18, 2013, NCIS senior staff met with a delegation from the Korean Insurance Development Institute, Kangwon National University, and the Korea Rural Economic Institute. The primary focus of the discussion was on the development of loss adjustment procedures and the management of loss

adjustment activities, including the hiring, training, and supervision of loss adjusters. The delegation also expressed an interest in data reporting procedures, ratemaking for geographic areas with limited historical data, and the long-term financial performance of the program.



Chicago Federal Reserve Bank Annual Conference

Tom Zacharias, NCIS President, gave a presentation at the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, November 19, at the Bank's Annual Agriculture Conference. The annual meeting brought together experts from academia, industry and policy institutions who examined key risks facing agriculture to discuss managing these risk in today's volatile environment. Eldon Gould, former RMA Administrator, was the luncheon keynote speaker.

CAPP Card Renewal

CAPP card renewal begins December 1 and ends January 31. Listed below are renewal reminders:

1. Remind adjusters to update their CAPP account information to make sure it is current. Adjusters should login to the CAPP website and update address, phone number, and/or email address before January 1.
2. Adjusters need to make sure their email address and physical mailing address are current with the State Department of Insurance if licensed by the state.
3. Adjusters must be associated with an AIP during the renewal period to receive a new CAPP card.
4. During the renewal period, NCIS generates either a CAPP report/ letter specific to each AIP. The information is emailed to the Data Contact person at each company. CAPP Administrators may access reports through the reports menu at the CAPP website after a report is generated.
5. Starting January 2, CAPP renewal cards will be mailed out in batches.
6. Please notify us before January 1 if any adjuster passed away during the year. We do not want to send a letter or email addressed to them.

If you have any questions regarding CAPP, do not hesitate to contact Lynnette Dillon or Dean Strasser.

Future Meetings and Events Calendar (Regional/State Meetings in Orange)

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
<u>2013 Meetings</u>		
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	December 12-13	Off-Site
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 15-18	Washington, DC
<u>2014 Meetings</u>		
Minnesota-North Dakota-South Dakota Regional/State Meeting	January 7-8	Fargo, ND
Colorado-Wyoming Regional/State Meeting	January 9	Littleton, CO
Gulf States Regional/State Meeting	January 16	Tunica, MS
2014 Claims Managers Conference	January 22-23	Overland Park, KS
Southwest Regional/State Meeting	January 30-31	Chandler, AZ
Nebraska-Iowa Regional/State Meeting	February 4-5	Council Bluffs, IA
Illinois-Wisconsin Regional/State Mtg.	February 6	Springfield, IL
Indiana-Ohio-Michigan Regional/State Meeting	February 6	Ft. Wayne, IN
Kentucky-Tennessee Regional/State Meeting	February 6	Nashville, TN
Kansas-Oklahoma Regional/State Meeting	February 13	Wichita, KS
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 9-12	Scottsdale, AZ
Missouri Regional/State Meeting	February 18	Columbia, MO
California-Nevada Regional/State Meeting	February 18-19	Monterey, CA
Northwest-Montana Regional/State Meeting	March 4	Missoula, MT
Southeast-East Regional/State Meeting	March 4	Charleston, SC
Regional/State Chairman Training	TBD	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Spring Meeting	March 29-April 1	Orlando, FL
NCIS Fall Train the Trainer Conference	July 22-23	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 16-19	Louisville, KY
NCIS Spring Train the Trainer Conference	November 5-6	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	November 17-20	Washington, DC