

## Topics this week:

- Japanese Delegation
- PDC Conference Call



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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.*



## Japanese Delegation Visits NCIS

Laurence Crane, Mike Sieben, and Frank Schnapp of NCIS met with a two person delegation from the Japanese Ministry of Agriculture and the National Agricultural Insurance Association on December 5<sup>th</sup>. The purpose for the meeting was to discuss the advantages and disadvantages of revenue protection insurance in general and the Adjusted Gross Revenue program in particular as a possible new form of insurance protection for Japanese producers, along with the associated underwriting requirements and loss adjustment process for the program. Rainfall Index coverage for the Pasture, Rangeland and Forage program was a second topic of discussion. The delegation also reviewed the design and operation of the current multi-peril crop insurance and livestock disease and mortality insurance in Japan. The major perils for Japanese producers are cool weather and heavy rains due to the frequent prevalence of typhoons.



## Program Development Committee Conference Call (PDC)

The Program Development committee held its quarterly conference call this past week. The PDC committee is comprised of representatives from each of its seven standing committees. Issues and improvements to the crop insurance industry from each of the standing committees are brought to the PDC for approval, which

are then sent to the Board of Directors for final approval. Actions approved at this meeting included tobacco and corn loss instructions and service awards.

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

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
<b>2013 Meetings</b>		
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	December 12-13	Off-Site
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 15-18	Washington, DC
<b>2014 Meetings</b>		
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	March 25-26	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