



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- Missouri Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting
- California/Nevada Regional/State Committees Annual Meeting



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We're off to a great start to the New Year! As we all know, 2012 was a challenging year for our Industry. As for 2013, we are anticipating many new and important developments taking place in our industry. The 2013 Regional/State Committee meetings are underway and will be completed in a few weeks. We also bring you a "round-up" of all NCIS activities, 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.



Kansas City is experiencing some snowy weather again tonight!

Missouri Regional/State Committees Annual Meeting

The Missouri Regional/State Committee held their Annual Meeting Tuesday, February 19 in Columbia, Missouri. Over 30 participants attended, and twelve companies were represented. Patrick Westhoff from the University of Missouri was the guest speaker. He presented information on the budget debate, the Farm Bill and a crop insurance outlook. Greg Oetting represented the Topeka RMA Regional Office and updated attendees on the summary of changes for Missouri, 6/30 and 11/30 filing, along with cover crops and special provision information. Mark Cadle, State Executive Director, FSA, discussed reporting deadlines and troubleshooting producer reporting issues. Lynnette Dillon, NCIS liaison, along with NCIS Associate, Mollie Dvorak, presented committee updates, Loss Adjustment Manual, Loss Adjustment Standards Handbook, Crop Adjuster Proficiency Program information in addition to other pertinent topics.

California/Nevada Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting

The 2013 California/Nevada Regional State Crop Insurance Committee Annual Meeting was held in Monterey, California, February 19 and 20. Thirty-one representatives from NCIS member companies were in attendance representing eight companies along with two representatives from the Risk Management Agency and one agency group representative. The meeting was chaired by David Grogan (RCIS). Speakers included Jim Otto and Sandy Sanchez from the California RMA Regional Office. Dean Strasser, NCIS, provided information to the committee on recommendations from the various Regional/State Committees for MPC1 and Crop Hail; a Policy and Underwriting update; Crop Hail update; overview of changes to the Loss Adjustment Manual; CAPP update with attention to California's new crop adjuster license; Anti-trust update; Public Relations update, and NCIS' newly developed iMap tool for viewing special provision policy changes.



Future Meetings and Events Calendar (Schools in Orange)

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
2013 Meetings		
Commodity Classic	Feb 28 – March 2	Kissimmee, FL
Northwest - Montana Regional/State Meeting	March 5	Missoula, MT
Southeast-East Regional/State Mtg	March 5-6	Charleston, SC
Regional State Chairman Training	March 26-27	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Spring Meeting	April 6-9	Houston, TX
NCIS Program Development Committee Meeting	May 29-30	Overland Park, KS
NCIS Fall Update Conference	July 16-17	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 24-27	Indianapolis, IN
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
2014 Meetings		
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