



# What's Happening at NCIS

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## Topics this week:

- 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Operation Spring Plant Conference
- Upcoming Meetings/Conventions



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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 for the next two months. 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.

## NCIS Presents at 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Operation Spring Plant Conference

NCIS participated in the 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Operation Spring Plant Conference—"Food, Fuel, Future and Health"—in Raleigh, North Carolina, January 11-12, 2013. Dr. Laurence Crane, NCIS, conducted a workshop providing an overview of crop insurance and reviewed the products available in North Carolina for 2013. Operation Spring Plant, Inc., is a grass root, nonprofit organization made up of African-American and limited resource farmers in North Carolina.

## Preparation for Upcoming Meetings/Conventions - Claims Managers Conference and Industry Annual Convention

The 2013 National Claims Managers conference will be held in Overland Park, Kansas this Wednesday and Thursday, January 23-24. NCIS will provide a review of issues from 2012 and an update for the 2013 crop year from a loss perspective. NCIS sponsored conferences are open to NCIS members, RMA employees, and invited educators.

The 2013 Industry Annual convention will be held February 10-13 in Indian Wells, California. At this time, approximately 380 have registered to attend. Featured speakers will include Michael Scuse, Under Secretary for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; Brandon Willis, Acting Administrator of the Risk Management Agency (RMA); and Panel presentations from farm commodity groups, farmers and agricultural economists. In conjunction with the Annual convention, this year's charity drive is for Hidden Harvest, whose mission is to "rescue" produce from Coachella Valley fields and packing houses that is left behind after harvest is complete. We look forward to another educational meeting this year. Late registration is still being accepted on-line. Please contact Sherri Scharff at [sherris@ag-risk.org](mailto:sherris@ag-risk.org) for questions regarding this meeting.

**Future Meetings and Events Calendar (Schools in Orange)**

<i><b>Event</b></i>	<i><b>Date(s)</b></i>	<i><b>Location</b></i>
<b>2013 Meetings</b>		
New CAPP Administrator Training	January 22	Overland Park, KS
2013 NCIS Claims Managers Conference	January 23-24	Overland Park, KS
Illinois - Wisconsin Regional/State Meeting	January 29	Springfield, IL
Southwest Regional/State Meeting	Jan 31-Feb 1	San Antonio, TX
Nebraska - Iowa Regional/State Meeting	February 5-6	Council Bluffs, IA
Indiana - Ohio - Michigan Regional/State Meeting	February 7	Ft. Wayne, IN
Kentucky - Tennessee Regional/State Meeting	February 7	Bowling Green, KY
Crop Insurance Industry Annual Convention	February 10-13	Indian Wells, CA
Kansas - Oklahoma Regional/State Mtg.	February 12	Oklahoma City, OK
Missouri Regional/State Meeting	February 19	Columbia, MO
California - Nevada Regional/State Mtg.	February 19-20	Monterey, CA
Commodity Classic	Feb 28 – March 2	Kissimmee, FL
Northwest - Montana Regional/State Meeting	March 5	Missoula, MT
Southeast-East Regional/State Meeting	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
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

