



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- MPCI PPLA Meeting
- North Central Risk Management Education Center
- SILA National Education Conference



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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.



Multi-Peril Crop Insurance Policy Procedure and Loss Adjustment (MPCI PPLA) Meeting

The MPCP PPLA meeting was held in Overland Park September 24 and 25. This committee is represented by each of the Approved Insurance Providers (AIPs), all member companies of NCIS. RMA personnel were also in attendance including the following representatives from the Product Administration and Standards Division: Tim Hoffman, Bill Bing, Pam Bollinger, Shirley Harris and Jim Shelton. Discussion topics included Prevented Planting, Cover Crops, Flooding in Colorado impacts on various crops' harvest and delivery, 2014 Draft Loss Adjustment Manual (LAM) and proposed 2014 Tobacco changes.



North Central Risk Management Education Center

NCIS participated in the Advisory Council Meeting of the North Central Risk Management Education Center (NCRMEC) in Chicago on September 24-25. The North Central RME Center, hosted by the University of Nebraska Department of Agricultural Economics, is one of four Extension Risk Management Centers across the country. The goal of the Centers is to give farmers and ranchers the tools to improve their risk management skills and capabilities. The Centers provide funding through a competitive grants process for 12-month education projects to help

producers learn new strategies to manage the risks they face. Dr. Laurence Crane, NCIS, is a member of the Advisory Council and participated in the discussion of emerging issues that will be prioritized for the next round of projects considered for funding.

Securities and Insurance Licensing (SILA) National Education Conference

NCIS Staff Dean Strasser and Janet Straley attended the SILA National Education conference held in New Orleans, Louisiana, September 22-25. The conference draws participants from the insurance and securities industries, regulators, professional associations, consulting firms and vendors. This conference provides a group experience of navigating through insurance licensing and securities registration issues by collaboration, sharing of ideas, learning from one another, and discovering solutions using proper tools and resources.



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

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
2013 Meetings		
AIAG (International Association of Agricultural Production Insurers)	Sept 29-Oct 2	Vienna, Austria
NCIS Spring Train the Trainer Conference	November 6-7	Overland Park, KS
MPCI Citrus Fruit and Nursery	November 19-20	Kissimmee, FL
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	December 12-13	Off-Site
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 15-18	Washington, DC
2014 Meetings		
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