

# What's Happening at NCIS

February 10, 2014

## Topics this week:

- NE/IA Regional/State Mtg.
- IL/WI Regional/State Mtg.
- IN/OH/MI Regional/State Mtg.
- KY/TN Regional/State Mtg.

*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.*

## **2014 Nebraska/Iowa Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting**

The Nebraska and Iowa Regional State Committees held their joint 2014 annual meeting on February 4 and 5 in Council Bluffs, Iowa. Forty-five representatives from NCIS member companies were in attendance. Guest speakers included representatives from the St. Paul Regional Office of the Risk Management Agency and the Nebraska and Iowa FSA offices. The meeting was chaired jointly by Brad Darling (Rain and Hail LLC) and Bruce Kirkendall (ProAg). Dave Hall, NCIS, provided update information to the committees on Crop Hail procedural changes for corn; MPCl Policy, Procedure and Underwriting changes including an overview on Cover Crops and changes to the Prevented Planting and Loss Adjustment Manuals; a CAPP update; and a Public Relations update. Mark Zarnstorff, NCIS, provided an update of NCIS sponsored research activities of interest to these committees.



## **2014 Illinois/Wisconsin Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting**

The 2014 Illinois/Wisconsin Regional State Committee Annual Meeting was held in Springfield, Illinois, February 6. Thirty-nine representatives from NCIS member companies were in attendance along with three representatives from the Risk Management Agency and one from the Illinois FSA. Speakers included Doug Bailey (Illinois FSA), Brian Frieden (Springfield Regional Office), Ronie Griffin (Midwest Regional Compliance Office), and Dr. Emerson Nafziger (University of Illinois Extension). The Committee discussed offering a school in 2014 for Crop Hail only in Champaign, Illinois. Mark Flohr, NCIS, provided information to the committee on recommendations from the various Regional/State Committees for MPCl and Crop Hail; a Policy and Underwriting update; Crop Hail update; overview of changes to the Loss Adjustment Manual; CAPP update; anti-trust update; and a public relations update.



### **2014 Kentucky/Tennessee Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting**

The Kentucky/Tennessee Regional/State Committee held their 2014 annual meeting February 6 in Nashville, Tennessee, led by Vice Chairman Zach Alexander (Rain and Hail). In attendance were sixteen committee members from seven member companies, two representatives from the Kentucky and Tennessee FSA offices, an agent representative, and Mike Davis from the RMA-Jackson Regional Office. Presentations included an NCIS Update by Chris Lindsay, an RMA update by Mike Davis, and an FSA report by Marcinda Kester (KY) and Christina Boles (TN).

### **2014 Indiana/Ohio/Michigan Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting**

The Indiana/Ohio/Michigan Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting, scheduled for February 6, has been postponed due to weather and has been rescheduled for February 19.

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

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b><u>2014 Meetings</u></b>		
<b>Kansas-Oklahoma Regional/State Meeting</b>	<b>February 13</b>	<b>Wichita, KS</b>
<b>Crop Insurance Industry Convention</b>	<b>February 9-12</b>	<b>Scottsdale, AZ</b>
<b>Missouri Regional/State Meeting</b>	<b>February 18</b>	<b>Columbia, MO</b>
<b>California-Nevada Regional/State Meeting</b>	<b>February 18-19</b>	<b>Monterey, CA</b>
<b>Northwest-Montana Regional/State Meeting</b>	<b>March 4</b>	<b>Missoula, MT</b>
<b>Southeast-East Regional/State Meeting</b>	<b>March 4</b>	<b>Charleston, SC</b>
<b>Regional/State Chairman Training</b>	<b>March 25-26</b>	<b>Overland Park, KS</b>
<b>NAIC Spring Meeting</b>	<b>March 29-April 1</b>	<b>Orlando, FL</b>
<b>NCIS Fall Train the Trainer Conference</b>	<b>July 22-23</b>	<b>Overland Park, KS</b>
<b>NAIC Summer Meeting</b>	<b>August 16-19</b>	<b>Louisville, KY</b>
<b>NCIS Spring Train the Trainer Conference</b>	<b>November 5-6</b>	<b>Overland Park, KS</b>
<b>NAIC Fall Meeting</b>	<b>November 17-20</b>	<b>Washington, DC</b>
<b><u>2015 Meetings</u></b>		
<b>Crop Insurance Industry Convention</b>	<b>February 8-11</b>	<b>Bonita Springs, FL</b>

