



# What's Happening at NCIS

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## Topics this week:

- 2014 Crop Insurance Annual Convention
- 2014 Kansas/Oklahoma R/S Committee Meeting



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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.*



## 2014 Crop Insurance Annual Convention

The 2014 Crop Insurance Annual Convention, sponsored by AACI and NCIS, was held in Scottsdale, Arizona, February 9-12. The 525 registered attendees plus speakers and guests broke previous attendance records. Sponsors included the following: *Platinum*: ARMtech, Great American, Guy Carpenter, QBE/NAU, RenaissanceRe Syndicate 1458, and RCIS; *Gold*: ADM, Allied World RE, Aon Benfield, Farmers Mutual Hail, Munich Re, ProAg, Rain and Hail, and Swiss Re; *Silver*: AgiLogic, AIR Worldwide, Canadian Crop Hail, Diversified Crop Insurance, and Markel Global Reinsurance. Speakers included Senate Ag Chairwoman Debbie Stabenow (D-MI); Brandon Willis, RMA Administrator; Dan Wrinn, Ducks Unlimited; Orion Samuelson, AgriBusiness Director WGN Radio Chicago; Paul Begala and Tucker Carlson. There was also an Agronomist Panel and a Farm Organization Rep Panel. Seven individuals from the Crop Insurance Industry were presented with Awards: Dan Carothers, Outstanding Service Award; Chuck Lassey, Robert Parkerson, Kent Petersen, and Russell Slade, Industry Lifetime Achievement Award; and Kenny Shock and Tom Vetter, Industry Leadership Award. NCIS and AACI wish to thank all who participated and all the sponsors who helped support this convention.



## Kansas/Oklahoma Regional/State Committees Annual Meeting

The Kansas/Oklahoma Regional/State Committee held their 2014 Annual Meeting February 13 in Wichita, Kansas. The meeting was led by Travis Palmgren (Rain & Hail), KS/OK Committee Vice-Chair. In attendance were forty-two committee members from twelve member companies, representatives from the RMA Oklahoma City and Topeka Regional Offices and a representative from the Kansas Farm Service Agency State Office. Paul Gallagher and Shawn Beach (Topeka Regional Office) presented information regarding cover crops and limited irrigation, Grant James (Oklahoma City Regional Office) gave a presentation regarding program changes in Oklahoma for 2014, Todd Barrows (Kansas FSA) provided information regarding various FSA programs and Loretta Sobba (NCIS) gave an update regarding committee recommendations and handbook and policy changes.

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

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
<b>2014 Meetings</b>		
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
<b>2015 Meetings</b>		
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 8-11	Bonita Springs, FL