



# What's Happening at NCIS

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## Topics this week:

- TIP Committee Meets in Overland Park
- C&O Committee Meets in Overland Park
- 2015 AIR Envision Presentation



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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.**



## NCIS Technology and Information Processing (TIP) Committee Meets in Overland Park

The TIP Committee held their annual meeting April 7 and 8 at the NCIS Office. On May 7, the committee discussed the TIP Committee role and function; 2015-16 Committee goals; special MPCl topics; NCIS systems; 2014 Crop-Hail processing; and 2015 production plan hail proposed processing changes.



On April 8, the Committee and over 30 RMA staff met for a full day of in-depth discussion on processing, needs, challenges and technical issues. Topics included actuarial and Actuarial Data Master (ADM) issues; Regional Office (RO) Exceptions processing and remaining Information Technology Modernization (ITM) conversion timelines; Acreage Crop Reporting and Streamlining Initiative (ACRSI); Comprehensive Information Management System (CIMS) and Common Land Unit (CLU) issues; and additional processing topics related to the Farm Bill.

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This meeting set a solid foundation from which to work the remainder of 2015. Thank you to our TIP Committee members for everything they do for the crop insurance Industry!

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### **NCIS Communications and Outreach (C&O) Committee Meets in Overland Park**

The NCIS Communications and Outreach Committee met on Thursday, April 9, in Overland Park. The Committee spent some time on orientation for new members of the Committee to discuss the background of the Committee and the activities and successes of it over the years. The Committee then discussed the various outreach initiatives NCIS is involved in to educate farmers and other industries about crop insurance. The Committee also discussed several public relations topics such as recent op-eds, the 2016 Guide to Agricultural Risk Management and grassroots outreach to commodity groups.



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### **NCIS Makes 2015 AIR Worldwide Envision Presentation**

NCIS President, Tom Zacharias, presented at Envision 2015 held in Boston, Massachusetts, April 10. Other speakers included Rob Johansson, Chief Economist at USDA; Keith Coble, Professor at Mississippi State University; and Dr. Gary Schnitkey, professor at the University of Illinois and FARMDOC agricultural economist.

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

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
Underwriting & Operations Committee Meeting	April 14-15	Overland Park, KS
MPCI PPLA Committee Meeting	April 21-22	Overland Park, KS
CH PPLA Committee Meeting	April 28-29	Overland Park, KS
CH A&S Committee Meeting	May 12	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail & MPCI Canola and Wheat School	May 20-21	Stillwater, OK
PDC Committee Meeting	May 27-28	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail Wheat & Soybeans School	June 10-11	Columbia, MO
TBD School	June 23-24	Moccasin, MT
Board of Directors Meeting	June 29-30	Offsite
TBD School	TBD	Beresford, SD
Pear School and Row Crops School	TBD	Washington
Canola Field Day	TBD	KY or TN
NCIS 2016 Fall Train the Trainer Conference	July 14-15	Overland Park, KS
Corn & Soybeans School	July 21-22	Grand Island, NE
Crop-Hail New Adjuster School	July 22	Lamberton, MN
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Crop-Hail New Adjuster – Wheat, Corn and Soybeans School	July 27	Fargo, ND
Crop-Hail (Crops TBD)	July 28-29	Fargo, ND
MPCI School	TBD	Fargo, ND
Peanut and Cotton Quality Adjustment School	July/August	Lubbock, TX
Crop-Hail & MPCI Corn, Grain Sorghum and Soybeans School	August 4-5	Manhattan, KS
Crop-Hail Corn, Soybeans and Wheat in Classroom School	August 5-6	Champaign, IL
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 14-17	Chicago, IL
Board of Directors Meeting	September 15-16	Overland Park, KS
AIAG (International Association of Agricultural Production Insurers)	September 27-30	Kansas City, MO
NCIS 2016 Spring Train the Trainer Conference	November 4-5	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	November 19-22	Washington, D.C.

Board of Directors Meeting	December 9-10 or 10-11	Offsite
<u>2016 Meetings</u>		
2016 Claims Managers Conference	January 20-21	Overland Park, KS
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 14-17	Indian Wells, CA
Board of Directors Meeting	February 17	Indian Wells, CA
NAIC Spring Meeting	April 3-6	New Orleans, LA
NCIS 2017 Train the Trainer Fall Conference	July 12-13	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 6-9	San Diego, CA
NCIS 2017 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 2-3	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 10-13	Miami Beach, FL