



# What's Happening at NCIS

August 3, 2015

## Topics this week:

- MPC I & CH Corn, Soybean, Grain Sorghum and Cotton School/Field Day
- AAEA Meeting Held in San Francisco
- FALCs are Filed



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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.*



## **2015 NCIS MPC I and Crop-Hail Corn, Soybean, Grain Sorghum and Cotton School/Field Day**

Approximately 80 loss adjusters attended the MPC I and Crop-Hail Corn, Soybean, Grain Sorghum and Cotton School held in Manhattan, Kansas on July 30 and 31. Christopher Deetjen, Kansas/Oklahoma Regional/State Committee Chairman; and Michael Schroeder, Kansas School Chairman, led the adjuster school with help from several additional company personnel, including Trey Fisher, Sean Harvey, Jason Schotte, Evan Whetzal, Gary Williams, Ryan Wittum and Ronnie Ziegler. Classroom sessions included presentations by Dr. Jeff Whitworth, K-State Entomologist and Holly Schwarting (Insect Damage), Rich Brown, K-State Salina (Use of Unmanned Aerial Systems in Agriculture), and Dr. Danny Rogers, K-State Irrigation Specialist (Irrigation and Crops). The second day was spent in the field determining crop stages of growth, making determinations of loss from simulated hail damage and calculating MPC I production to count on crop plots.



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### ***2016 Final Average Loss Cost (FALC) Filing Status***

The 2016 Final Average Loss Costs (FALC) have been filed in all scheduled states to include the following: Arizona, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Tennessee and Texas. As of August 3, 2015 NCIS has received FALC approvals or acknowledgements from the following: Arizona, Minnesota and New Mexico.

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### ***NCIS Participates in AAEA Meeting Held in San Francisco***

Drs. Tom Zacharias and Laurence Crane represented NCIS at the 2015 Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) and Western Agricultural Economics Association (WAEA) joint annual meeting held in San Francisco, California, on July 26 to 28. Dr. Tom Zacharias participated in a session entitled, "Crop Insurance: Challenges and Opportunities Facing the Industry." Dr. Laurence Crane made a presentation entitled, "Farm Bill and Risk for Small Farm Agriculture." The AAEA is a forum for scholarly work in agricultural economics. Over 1,000 agricultural and applied economists routinely attend the annual meeting. Engaging academics in these meetings is essential to be part of the conversation on crop insurance and risk management related issues.

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

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
Crop-Hail New Adjuster – Wheat, Corn and Soybeans School	August 10	Fargo, ND
Crop-Hail Wheat, Sunflowers, Dry Beans, Corn, Soybeans, and Barley	August 11	Fargo, ND
MPCI Quality Adjustment Cotton and Peanut School	August 11	Lubbock, TX
MPCI School	September	Fargo, ND
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 14-17	Chicago, IL
Board of Directors Meeting	September 15-16	Overland Park, KS
MPCI PPLA Committee Meeting	September 17-18	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 19-20	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