



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- CH Corn and Soybean School/Field Days, Wheat in Classroom
- NCIS Staff Visit California



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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.



Western Kansas

2015 NCIS Crop-Hail Corn and Soybeans School/Field Days, Wheat in Classroom

The Illinois and Wisconsin Regional/State NCIS committee held the 2015 Crop-Hail Corn, Soybean and Wheat School/Field Days in Champaign, Illinois, on August 5 and 6. Over 100 new and experienced adjusters participated in the two-day event. Classroom instruction included corn, soybean, and wheat loss adjustment procedures taught by knowledgeable, experienced adjusters from member companies. Field exercises were conducted at the University of Illinois' Crop Science Research and Education Center in Urbana and focused on corn and soybean hail damage at three developmental stages encompassing early vegetative through late-reproductive growth and included ear damage and pod loss procedures. James Houx from NCIS discussed program integrity and provided support.



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NCIS Staff Visit California

NCIS staff Sherri Scharff and Laurie Langstraat visited several farmers in the Bakersfield, California, area last week to hear what they are saying about the importance of crop insurance. These farmer interviews were videotaped and will be edited into short pieces that will be featured on the Crop Insurance in America website under "Real Stories." The farmers visited grow a variety of crops including table grapes, citrus, almonds, pomegranates, pistachios and cherries. All of them stressed the importance of an affordable crop insurance program to protect what, for some, were fourth and fifth generation farms. While in California, staff also visited with several member company regional offices to discuss how NCIS can better serve our members.



**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