



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- 2015 Southwest Regional/State Committee Annual 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.



Punxsutawney Phil of Pennsylvania, the famous groundhog has forecast six more weeks of winter. A German legend has it that if a furry rodent sees his shadow on Feb. 2, winter will last another six weeks. If not, spring comes early.

2015 Southwest Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting

The 2015 Southwest Regional/State Committee annual meeting was held in Mescalero, New Mexico, on January 29 and 30. Twenty-three committee members representing nine member companies were in attendance. Speakers included Josh Dale, Risk Management Specialist for the Oklahoma City RMA Regional Office; Emaleta Mooney, NAP Program Specialist and Brandon Terrazas, Agricultural Program Specialist from the New Mexico State FSA Office; Guest Speakers - Jane Dever, Cotton Breeding Specialist from Texas A&M Extension and Stephanie Walker, Extension Vegetable Specialist from New Mexico State University. Ms. Dever and Ms. Walker provided updates on cotton research and the chile pepper research, respectively conducted in cooperation with NCIS. The NCIS Update was provided by Don Hutsell, liaison to the committee.

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

<i>Event</i>	<i>Date(s)</i>	<i>Location</i>
<u>2015 Meetings</u>		
Iowa/Nebraska R/S Meeting	February 3-4	Council Bluffs, IA
Kentucky/Tennessee R/S Meeting	February 5	Nashville, TN
Illinois/Wisconsin R/S Meeting	February 5	Springfield, IL
Indiana/Ohio/Michigan R/S Meeting	February 5	Ft. Wayne, IN
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 8-11	Bonita Springs, FL
NCIS Board of Directors Meeting	February 11	Bonita Springs, FL
Kansas/Oklahoma R/S Meeting	February 12	Oklahoma City, OK
Missouri R/S Meeting	February 17	Columbia, MO
Arizona/California/Nevada R/S Meeting	February 17-18	Monterey, CA
Ag Outlook Forum	February 19-20	Arlington, VA
East/Southeast R/S Meeting	March 3	Charleston, SC
Northwest/Montana	March 3-4	Missoula, MT
Regional State Chairman Training	March 24-25	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Spring Meeting	March 28-31	Phoenix, AZ

TIP Committee Meeting	April 7-8	Overland Park, KS
Underwriting and Operations Committee Meeting	April 14-15	Overland Park, KS
MPCI/PPLA Committee Meeting	April 21-22	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail PPLA Committee Meeting	April 28-29	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail A&S Committee Meeting	May 12	Overland Park, KS
PDC Meeting	May 27-28	Overland Park, KS
Board of Directors Meeting	June 29-30	TBD
NCIS Fall Train the Trainer Conference	July 14-15	Overland Park, KS
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 Spring Train the Trainer Conference	November 4-5	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	November 19-22	Washington, DC
Board of Directors Meeting	December 9-10 or 10-11	TBD
<u>2016 Meetings</u>		
2016 Claims Managers' Conference	January 20-21	Overland Park, KS
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 14-17	Indian Wells, CA
NAIC Spring Meeting	April 3-6	New Orleans, LA
2017 Train the Trainer Fall Conference	July 12-13	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 6-9	San Diego, CA
2017 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 2-3	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 10-13	Miami Beach, FL