



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- NCIS 2015 CH & MPCl Corn and Soybeans School
- NCIS 2015 New Adjuster School
- NCIS 2015 CH Corn and Soybeans School



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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 2015 Crop-Hail and MPCl Corn and Soybeans School

The 2015 NCIS Crop-Hail & MPCl Corn and Soybean School took place on July 21-22. The classroom activities were held in Grand Island, NE and the field exercises were held at the University of Nebraska's South Central Ag. Research Center just outside of Clay Center, NE. Over 100 participants were registered for this school. The class room training covered Crop-Hail and MPCl loss adjustment procedures and included presentations on corn and soybean growth and development given by Roger Elmore, Cropping Systems Agronomist with UNL Extension and Justin McMechan, Ph.D. student. Jeff Buettner with the Central Nebraska Public Power and Irrigation District provided an overview of the District's history and current conditions. For the in-field exercises, the participants were divided into 16 smaller groups for hands-on Crop-Hail loss adjustment training where they were rotated throughout the various corn and soybean field training areas.



NCIS 2015 New Adjuster School

The 2015 New Adjuster school was held at the University of Minnesota, Southwest Research and Outreach Center, in Lamberton, Minnesota, July 22. Dr. Mark Zarnstorff, NCIS, led the group of more than 50 participants. Staging and adjusting procedures for soybeans, corn and dry beans was taught, and field instruction was the main emphasis of the school. New adjusters attend this school to learn valuable information, hone their skills, and learn the ins and outs of loss adjustment. One

participant at a recent school stated, "...I think it is a responsibility of companies and seasoned adjusters to pass on knowledge to the future leaders of our trade. In the end, we all have one common goal – to follow the procedures provided to us from the many years of (NCIS) research."

2015 NCIS Crop-Hail Corn and Soybeans School

The Crop-Hail Soybean and Corn school was also held at the University of Minnesota, Southwest Research and Outreach Center, in Lamberton, Minnesota, July 23 with more than 80 in attendance. Field adjusting and a field tour (led by Steve Quiring, Plot Manager) were included. Topics covered included V-Stage and R-State Soybeans, Dry Beans, and Corn (1 Leaf, 17 Leaf and 18 Leaf-Tassel), a disease and insect update, and growing season and research reports.

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

Event	Date(s)	Location
Crop-Hail & MPCl Corn, Soybeans, Grain Sorghum and Cotton School	July 30-31	Manhattan, KS
Crop-Hail Corn, Soybeans and Wheat in Classroom School	August 5-6	Champaign, IL
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
MPCl Quality Adjustment Cotton and Peanut School	August 11	Lubbock, TX
MPCl School	September	Fargo, ND
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 14-17	Chicago, IL
Board of Directors Meeting	September 15-16	Overland Park, KS
MPCl 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