



# What's Happening at NCIS

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## Topics this week:

- MPC I & CH Canola, Chick Peas, Lentils & Wheat School
- CH & MPC I Corn, Cotton, Grain Sorghum & Soybeans School
- NAACA Improvement Conference



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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 MPC I and Crop-Hail Canola, Chick Peas, Lentils, and Wheat School

Dean Strasser, NCIS, attended the NCIS Northwest Regional/State Crop Insurance Committee's adjuster school and field session for Canola, Chick Peas, Lentils, and Wheat on July 26 and 27 held in Spokane, WA, for over 50 participants. Drew Lyon, Washington State University (WSU) Extension, provided local growing and crop condition information. Representatives from the Spokane RMA Regional Office presented materials on acceptable records for vertically integrated producers. Todd Schultz, Vice President of the US Dry Pea & Lentil Association, stated that 2016 is the "International Year of Pulses" and discussed efforts to increase the number of products that include pulses. Howard Nelson, Central Washington Grain Growers, discussed differences of fall planted dry peas versus spring planted peas. Mike Mills, RCIS, presented the alternate Crop-Hail weight method for lentils and shared data from trials conducted. Dave Paul, QBE NAU, gave an overview of the Malt Barley Endorsement and the changes for 2017. Dean Strasser provided an industry update and shared a video on maintaining program integrity.



## NCIS Website

[www.ag-risk.org](http://www.ag-risk.org)

## Crop Insurance in America Website

[www.cropinsuranceinamerica.org](http://www.cropinsuranceinamerica.org)

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## NCIS Crop-Hail and MPCl Corn, Cotton, Grain Sorghum and Soybeans School

Over 110 participants attended the NCIS Crop-Hail and MPCl Corn, Cotton, Grain Sorghum and Soybean school held on July 27 and 28 in Manhattan, KS. Christopher Deetjen, Kansas/Oklahoma Committee Chairman, and Michael Schroeder, Kansas School Chairman led the school with plot leaders representing seven companies.

Day one began with crop-hail field work where participants rotated through five crop plots and take counts to determine percent of loss. The afternoon session included presentations from K-State faculty members. Dr. Mike Stamm spoke about Canola Improvement and Management, Dr. Ignacio Ciampitti addressed Crop Production and Management Practices, and Dr. Brian McCornack presented information regarding Insect Pest Diagnosis in Field Crops. Jamie Hageman presented a summer school update on behalf of the NCIS Training Committee. On Day two, participants worked through MPCl appraisal methods on five plots and reviewed the procedure for completion of loss adjustment forms. Thanks to all those who helped with the school including Jim Baldwin, Nick Blank, Christopher Deetjen, Jerry Ewing, T.J. Lamb, Travis Moore, Jason Schotte, Michael Schroeder, Kyle Sisk, Mike Weber, Jami Wells and Ronnie Ziegler.



## National County Agent Personal Improvement Conference

NCIS participated in the 2016 National Association of County Agricultural Agents (NAACA) Professional Improvement Conference, in Little Rock, Arkansas on Tuesday, July 26. NCIS sponsored a three-hour "Issues in Agricultural Economics Super Seminar" focused on providing Extension Educators with information that will strengthen their ability to help farmers and ranchers prepare for and manage risk. Dr. Laurence Crane, NCIS, reviewed implementation of crop insurance changes in the 2014 Farm Bill, and discussed using crop insurance as an effective tool to prepare for and economically survive crop failures due to insurable causes of loss. Over 1,300 Extension professionals from across the country attended the four-day conference.

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

<b>Event</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Location</b>
<i>2016 Meetings – <a href="#">Click Here</a> to access meeting information. Registration open 4 to 6 weeks prior to date of meeting(s).</i>		
Crop-Hail Corn, Soybeans, Wheat in Classroom School	August 3-4	Champaign, IL
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 6-9	San Diego, CA
Crop-Hail New Adjuster School	August 8	Fargo, ND
Crop-Hail Corn, Soybeans, Dry Beans, Wheat/Barley, Sunflowers, Field Peas/Lentils School	August 9-10	Fargo, ND
Crop-Hail & MPCl Row Crops (Barley, Corn, Dry Beans, Soybeans, Sugar Beets, Sunflowers) School	August 9	Powell, WY
Crop-Hail Corn and Soybeans School	August 9-10	Ames, IA
MPCl Apples School	August 23-24	Benton Harbor, MI
Board of Directors Meeting	September 21-22	Overland Park, KS
MPCl Cotton and Soybeans School	October 11-12	Florence, SC
Training and Education Committee Meeting	November 1	Overland Park, KS
NCIS 2017 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 2-3	Overland Park, KS
MPCl Fresh Market, Blueberries, Citrus & WFRP School	November 9-10	Lake Alfred, FL
Board of Directors Meeting	December 8-9	Offsite
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 10-13	Miami Beach, FL
<i>2017 Meetings</i>		
MN/ND/SD R/S Meeting	January 4-5	Fargo, ND
CO/WY R/S Meeting	January 5	Denver, CO
NCIS 2017 Claims Managers' Conference	January 18-19	Overland Park, KS
Southwest R/S Meeting	January 26-27	Fredericksburg, TX
KY/TN R/S Meeting	February 2	Nashville, TN
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 5-8	Bonita Springs, FL
IL/WI R/S Meeting	February 9	Springfield, IL
Gulf States R/S Meeting	February 9	Tunica, MS
IN/MI/OH R/S Meeting	February 9	Ft. Wayne, IN
KS/OK R/S Meeting	February 9	Oklahoma City, OK
IA/NE R/S Meeting	February 15-16	Council Bluffs, IA

<b>MO R/S Meeting</b>	<b>February 16</b>	<b>Columbia, MO</b>
<b>AZ/CA/NV R/S Meeting</b>	<b>February 21-22</b>	<b>Monterey, CA</b>
<b>MT/Northwest R/S Meeting</b>	<b>Feb 28-March 1</b>	<b>Missoula, MT</b>
<b>East/Southeast R/S Meeting</b>	<b>March 7</b>	<b>Savannah, GA</b>
<b>Regional/State Chairman Training</b>	<b>March 28-29</b>	<b>Overland Park, KS</b>
<b>NAIC Spring Meeting</b>	<b>April 8-11</b>	<b>Denver, CO</b>
<b>NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Fall Conference</b>	<b>July 18-19</b>	<b>Overland Park, KS</b>
<b>NAIC Summer Meeting</b>	<b>August 5-8</b>	<b>Philadelphia, PA</b>
<b>NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Spring Conference</b>	<b>November 8-9</b>	<b>Overland Park, KS</b>
<b>NAIC Fall Meeting</b>	<b>December 2-5</b>	<b>Honolulu, HI</b>