



What's Happening at NCIS

August 15, 2016

Topics this week:

- CH New Adjuster School
- CH Corn, Soybeans, Dry Beans, Wheat/Barley, Sunflowers, Field Peas/Lentils School
- Corn, Dry Beans and Sunflowers School/Field Day
- CH Corn & 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 2016 Crop-Hail New Adjuster – Wheat Corn and Soybeans School

The Crop-Hail New Adjuster Wheat, Corn and Soybeans school was held in Fargo, ND, August 8, at North Dakota State University (NDSU) for almost 40 attendees. Dr. Mark Zarnstorff, NCIS, welcomed the new adjusters and spoke about program integrity. Participants were provided information about basic crop-hail adjusting procedures including hands-on adjusting in the field. Special thanks to North Dakota State University and the NDSU Plant Sciences Department for their hard work and support in making this school possible.



NCIS 2016 Crop-Hail Corn, Soybeans, Dry Beans, Wheat/Barley, Sunflowers, Field Peas/Lentils School

The 2016 Crop-Hail Corn, Soybeans, Dry Beans, Wheat/Barley and Sunflowers School was held at North Dakota State University (NDSU) in Fargo, ND on August 9 and 10 for over 80 participants. This school focused on hands-on adjusting field work. Speakers reviewed Plant Pathology, Soybean Breeding and Specialty Crops research. Dr. Mark Zarnstorff, NCIS, participated in this school. Special thanks to the NCIS Regional/State Committee, NDSU and the NDSU Plant Sciences Department (Burton Johnson and his staff) for their continued support and help with this school.



NCIS 2016 Corn, Dry Beans and Sunflowers School/Field Day

Dean Strasser, NCIS, attended the NCIS Montana Regional/State Crop Insurance Committee's adjuster school for Corn, Dry Beans, and Sunflowers on August 9 held at the University of Wyoming's Powell Research and Extension Center with over 50 participants. The school began in the field with Crop-Hail and MPCII loss instructions for Corn, Dry Beans, and Sunflowers. The classroom session provided adjusters valuable information regarding efficient management of available irrigation resources, basics of seed certification and requirements for growers of certified seed and a facility tour by the station's weed specialist. The tour highlighted chemical treatment trials on chemical carryover and how varying rates of rainfall/irrigation affect rotations of corn, dry beans, and sugar beets.



NCIS 2016 Crop-Hail Corn and Soybeans School

The Iowa Regional/State NCIS committee held the 2016 Crop-Hail Corn and Soybean Workshop at the Iowa State University Field Extension Education Laboratory in Boone, IA on August 9 and 10. Approximately 100 new and experienced adjusters participated in the two-day event. The workshop included classroom instruction on corn and soybean procedures taught by knowledgeable, experienced adjusters from member companies. Following classroom instruction, field exercises were conducted on corn and soybean at three developmental stages encompassing early vegetative through late-reproductive growth including corn ear damage. James Houx, NCIS, discussed program integrity and professional conduct.



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

| Event | Date(s) | Location |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| <i>2016 Meetings – Click Here to access meeting information. Registration open 4 to 6 weeks prior to date of meeting(s).</i> | | |
| MPCI Apples School | August 23-24 | Benton Harbor, MI |
| Board of Directors Meeting | September 21-22 | Overland Park, KS |
| MPCI 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 |
| MPCI 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><u>2017 Meetings</u></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 |
| MO R/S Meeting | February 16 | Columbia, MO |
| AZ/CA/NV R/S Meeting | February 21-22 | Monterey, CA |
| MT/Northwest R/S Meeting | Feb 28-March 1 | Missoula, MT |
| East/Southeast R/S Meeting | March 7 | Savannah, GA |
| Regional/State Chairman Training | March 28-29 | Overland Park, KS |
| NAIC Spring Meeting | April 8-11 | Denver, CO |
| NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Fall Conference | July 18-19 | Overland Park, KS |
| NAIC Summer Meeting | August 5-8 | Philadelphia, PA |
| NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Spring Conference | November 8-9 | Overland Park, KS |
| NAIC Fall Meeting | December 2-5 | Honolulu, HI |