



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- *KS/OK R/S Committee Meeting*
- *MO R/S Committee Meeting*
- *2016 Annual Crop Insurance Meeting*



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.



2016 Kansas/Oklahoma Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting

The Kansas/Oklahoma Regional/State Committee held their 2016 Annual Meeting February 11 in Mulvane, Kansas. The meeting, led by Christopher Deetjen (Heartland Crop Insurance), KS/OK Committee Chair, was attended by thirty-nine participants representing twelve member companies, representatives from the RMA Oklahoma City and Topeka Regional Offices and a representative from the FSA Kansas State Office. Akilah Johnson (Topeka Regional Office) and Francie Tolle (Oklahoma City Regional Office director) presented information regarding program changes for the 2016 crop year; Todd Barrows (Kansas State FSA) provided information regarding CIMS data and ARC/PLC payments, and Loretta Sobba (NCIS) gave an update regarding committee recommendations and handbook and policy changes.

2016 Missouri Regional/State Committees Annual Meeting

The Missouri Regional/State Committee held their Annual Meeting Tuesday, February 16 in Columbia, Missouri. Twenty-three participants attended, and ten companies were represented. Dr. Bill Wiebold, University of Missouri, guest speaker, presented information on the effects of late planting corn and soybeans and how the two crops differ on their response to late planting. Greg Oetting, Topeka RMA Regional Office, updated attendees on policy statement changes affecting Missouri crops, and Doug Newland presented on behalf of FSA. NCIS liaison, Mollie Dvorak, presented on program integrity, recommendation updates, Loss Adjustment Manual updates, Loss Adjustment Standards Handbooks, policies, crop provisions and the Crop Adjuster Proficiency Program (CAPP). 2016 Chairman, Jami Wells, presented figures on 2015 prevented plant (PP) acres and loss ratios for Missouri.

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2016 Crop Insurance Annual Meeting

The 2016 Crop Insurance Annual Convention, sponsored by AACI and NCIS, was held in Indian Wells, California, February 14-17. There were over 400 registered attendees plus speakers and guests bringing the number close to 500 participants. Speakers included Brandon Willis, RMA Administrator and Senator Pat Roberts, R-Kansas. There were also two panels, an Agricultural Economist panel (Drs. T. Randall Fortenbery, Joe Outlaw, Mechel Paggi, Tom Zacharias) and an Agricultural Journalist panel (Jerry Hagstrom, Phillip Hayes, Mike Hergert, Sara Wyant). Other speakers include Philip Brasher, Agri-Pulse Communications; Marji Guyler-Alaniz, FarmHer; Jim Cantore, The Weather Channel; and David Wasserman, The Cook Political Report.

Six individuals from the Crop Insurance Industry were presented with awards: Outstanding Service Award – Dave Hubbs; Industry Leadership Award – Randy Thomas; Industry Lifetime Achievement Award – Dr. Keith Collins, Greg Deal, Karl Murr and Mike Sieben.

Sponsors included the following: *Platinum*: ARMtech, Great American, Guy Carpenter, QBE/NAU, Renaissance Reinsurance U.S., and RCIS; *Gold*: ADM, Allied World RE, Aon Benfield, Diversified Crop, Farmers Mutual Hail of IA, Munich Re, ProAg, Rain and Hail, and Swiss Re; *Silver*: AgiLogic, AIR Worldwide, American Farm Bureau, Canadian Crop Hail, and Markel Global Reinsurance.

NCIS and AACI wish to thank all who participate and all the sponsors who help support this convention.





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>		
<i>Arizona/California/Nevada R/S Meeting</i>	<i>February 23-24</i>	<i>Monterey, CA</i>
<i>East/Southeast R/S Meeting</i>	<i>March 1</i>	<i>Myrtle Beach, SC</i>
<i>Montana/Northwest R/S Meeting</i>	<i>March 1-2</i>	<i>Missoula, MT</i>
<i>Regional/State Chairman Training</i>	<i>March 22-23</i>	<i>Overland Park, KS</i>
<i>NAIC Spring Meeting</i>	<i>April 3-6</i>	<i>New Orleans, LA</i>
<i>Underwriting and Operations Committee Meeting</i>	<i>April 5-6</i>	<i>Overland Park, KS</i>
<i>Technology and Processing Committee Meeting</i>	<i>April 13-14</i>	<i>Overland Park, KS</i>

<i>Communications and Outreach Committee Meeting</i>	April 14-15	Washington, D.C.
<i>MP PPLA Committee Meeting</i>	April 19-20	Overland Park, KS
<i>CH PPLA Committee Meeting</i>	April 20-21	Overland Park, KS
<i>Canadian CCHA Meeting</i>	April 20-21	Overland Park, KS
<i>CH A&S Committee Meeting</i>	May 10	Overland Park, KS
<i>PDC Meeting</i>	May 24-25	Overland Park, KS
<i>Board of Directors Meeting</i>	June 27-28	Offsite
<i>NCIS 2017 Train the Trainer Fall Conference</i>	July 19-20	Overland Park, KS
<i>NAIC Summer Meeting</i>	August 6-9	San Diego, CA
<i>Board of Directors Meeting</i>	September 21-22	Overland Park, KS
<i>NCIS 2017 Train the Trainer Spring Conference</i>	November 2-3	Overland Park, KS
<i>Board of Directors Meeting</i>	December 8-9	Offsite
<i>NAIC Fall Meeting</i>	December 10-13	Miami Beach, FL
<u>2017 Meetings</u>		
<i>Crop Insurance Industry Convention</i>	February 5-8	Bonita Springs, FL
<i>NAIC Spring Meeting</i>	April 8-11	Denver, CO
<i>NAIC Summer Meeting</i>	August 5-8	Philadelphia, PA
<i>NAIC Fall Meeting</i>	December 2-5	Honolulu, HA