



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- *Gulf States Regional/State Committee Annual Meeting*
- *Risk Management Workshop - Mississippi*
- *CIRB Emerging Leaders Meet*



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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.

Gulf States Committee Regional/State Annual Meeting

The 2016 Gulf States Regional/State Committee annual meeting was held in Tunica Resorts, Mississippi, on January 14. Nine crop insurance companies were represented with 23 attendees. The chairman, Scott Altfillisch, spoke to the participants on double cropping. In addition, Roddrick Bell from the RMA Regional Office spoke on regional updates. Lynnette Dillon, NCIS liaison, provided an update presentation.

Risk Management Workshop—Mississippi

NCIS is partnering with Extension Educators at Alcorn State University to teach a series of workshops to help limited resource and socially disadvantaged farmers in the Strike Force counties in Mississippi manage their marketing risks. The objective is to help farmers and ranchers understand their risk exposure, determine their costs of production, and develop marketing plans for their farms. This training consists of a series of three workshops and sixty hours of individualized instruction. The final workshop was held in Raymond, Mississippi on Friday January 15, 2016. Funding for the project is from a competitive grant prepared by NCIS and selected by the Southern Risk Management Education Center (SRMEC), operated by the University of Arkansas, Division of Agriculture. Dr. Laurence Crane, NCIS, is Project Director and primary instructor of this activity.

Crop Insurance and Reinsurance Bureau (CIRB) Emerging Leaders Meet at NCIS

NCIS met with the CIRB Emerging Leaders Program participants on January 12 at the NCIS offices. This group of six attendees have been recognized within their organizations as the next generation of leaders within the industry. NCIS staff introduced them to the various functions and departments of NCIS including research and product development, training and education, technology and information processing, communications and outreach, crop-hail actuarial and statistical efforts, crop insurance policy, procedure and loss adjustment efforts, and legal affairs.



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>NCIS 2016 Claims Managers' Conference</i>	January 20	Overland Park, KS
<i>Whole Farm Revenue Protection Adjustment Training</i>	January 21	Overland Park, KS
<i>Southwest R/S Meeting</i>	January 28-29	Mescalero, NM
<i>Iowa/Nebraska R/S Meeting</i>	February 2-3	Council Bluffs, IA
<i>Kentucky/Tennessee R/S Meeting</i>	February 4	Nashville, TN
<i>Illinois/Wisconsin R/S Meeting</i>	February 4	Springfield, IL
<i>Indiana/Michigan/Ohio R/S Meeting</i>	February 4	Ft. Wayne, IN

<i>Kansas/Oklahoma R/S Meeting</i>	February 11	Mulvane, Kansas
<i>Crop Insurance Industry Convention</i>	February 14-17	Indian Wells, CA
<i>Missouri R/S Meeting</i>	February 16	Columbia, MO
<i>Board of Directors Meeting</i>	February 17	Indian Wells, CA
<i>Arizona/California/Nevada R/S Meeting</i>	February 23-24	Monterey, CA
<i>East/Southeast R/S Meeting</i>	March 1	Myrtle Beach, SC
<i>Montana/Northwest R/S Meeting</i>	March 1-2	Missoula, MT
<i>Regional/State Chairman Training</i>	March 22-23	Overland Park, KS
<i>NAIC Spring Meeting</i>	April 3-6	New Orleans, LA
<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>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>NCIS 2017 Train the Trainer Spring Conference</i>	November 2-3	Overland Park, KS
<i>NAIC Fall Meeting</i>	December 10-13	Miami Beach, FL
<u><i>2017 Meetings</i></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