



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- CH PPLA Committee Meeting
- MPCPI PPLA Committee Meeting
- 1890 Scholarship Recipients



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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.



Crop-Hail Policy, Procedures and Loss Adjustment (CH/PPLA) Committee Meets in Kentucky

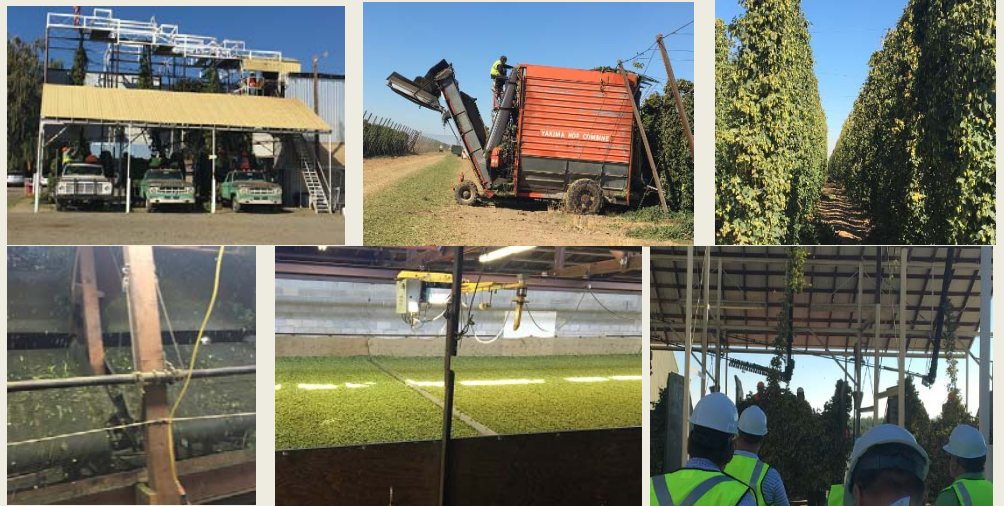
Fifteen company representatives participated in the CH/PPLA Committee meeting held in Lexington, KY on September 7 and 8. Staff reviewed the status of the 2017 form filings, and the committee discussed some potential future form changes including one regional/state committee recommendation.

Dr. Bob Pearce, University of Kentucky, presented a summary of the research study conducted for NCIS on burley tobacco and answered questions from the group about tobacco production and the tobacco industry. Dr. Pearce also led the group on an excellent tour of the Spindletop Research Farm near Lexington. The outing covered discussions and touring of tobacco facilities including seeding, harvesting, and transportation as well as other aspects of the tobacco production process. NCIS staff participating in the committee meeting were James Houx, Loretta Sobba and Mark Zarnstorff.



MPCI Policy, Procedure and Loss Adjustment Committee Meets in Washington

Members of the MPCI Policy, Procedure and Loss Adjustment Committee met September 13 and 14 in Yakima, WA. Guest speakers included Jonquil Henderson and Mary Lou Casey, Spokane RMA Regional Office; Jim LaPointe, NW Regional/State Committee Chairman of ProAg Insurance; and Dave Paul and Mark Masters, NAU Country Insurance. Jonquil, Mary Lou and Jim each provided a regional update. Dave and Mark gave a presentation on Whole Farm Revenue Protection (WFRP) changes for 2017 and current issues. A tour of agriculture products grown in the state included a visit to a hops production farm where harvesting and processing of the current crop was taking place and a tour of a modernized apple cold storage and packing facility.



1890 Scholarship Recipients



Annually NCIS awards scholarships to two students majoring in an agricultural discipline and enrolled at an 1890 Land-Grant University. This year's recipients are Ms. Helena Hollins, majoring in agricultural business with a minor in accounting at Langston University in Oklahoma, and Mr. Charles Waller, majoring in agricultural economics at Fort Valley State

University in Georgia. Because both students are starting their junior year, they will benefit from their NCIS scholarship for four semesters as long as they meet the academic qualification requirements and continue as full time students in good standing at their respective university. The 1890 Land-Grant institutions are historically Black universities that were established under the Second Morrill Act of 1890. The purpose of this scholarship program is to enable deserving students to further their education and to expose them to the crop insurance business.

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>		
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>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
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