



What's Happening at NCIS

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Topics this week:

- MN/ND/ SD R/S Meeting
- CO/WY R/S Meeting
- Western Risk & Insurance Association Meeting



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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.



Minnesota/North Dakota/South Dakota Regional/State Meeting

The MN/ND/SD Regional/State Committees held their annual meeting January 4 through 5 in Fargo, ND with approximately sixty participants. Dr. Mark Zarnstorff, NCIS, provided updates on changes to various crop policies, underwriting handbooks and loss adjustment manuals along with a presentation about ensuring program integrity. Dr. Harlene Hatterman – Valenti, Dr. Burton Johnson and Dr. Grant Mehring, Agronomic Researchers, North Dakota State University, provided updates on NCIS research projects. Dr. Marisol Berti gave a presentation on Cover Crop use in the Upper Great Plains. RMA updates were provided by Duane Voy, St. Paul Regional Office.

Colorado/Wyoming Regional/State Committee Meeting



The CO/WY Regional/State Committee annual meeting was held in Denver, CO on January 5 with fourteen people attending. Topics of discussion included Whole Farm Revenue, Malting Barley Endorsement, professional conduct and program integrity. Mark Flohr, NCIS, provided MPC and Crop-Hail policy and procedure updates. Planning is underway for the Potato and Malting Barley Adjuster School to be held this August in Alamosa, CO. Shawn Beach, RMA Topeka Regional Office, presented an update on Colorado; and Jeremy Not Afraid, RMA Billings Regional Office, presented a Wyoming update. Jeremy also gave a short summary and led a discussion on Whole Farm Revenue Protection.

Western Risk and Insurance Association Meeting

Frank Schnapp, Senior Vice President, Actuarial, Statistical, and Information Systems Division of NCIS, participated in the Western Risk and Insurance Association (WRIA) annual meeting held last week in Santa Barbara, CA. The WRIA is primarily interested in the application of statistics to business decisions but also provides a means of sharing new ideas and approaches on issues relating to risk and insurance among academics, economists, actuaries, risk management professionals, and financial professionals. The presentation given by Mr. Schnapp reexamined the concept of systematic risk underlying the well-known Capital Asset Pricing Model by applying the same approach to the pricing of insurance.

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><u>2017 Meetings</u></i>		
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
IN/MI/OH R/S Meeting	February 2	Ft. Wayne, IN
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 5-8	Bonita Springs, FL
Board of Directors Meeting	February 8	Bonita Springs, FL
IL/WI R/S Meeting	February 9	Springfield, IL
Gulf States R/S Meeting	February 9	Tunica, MS
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
Underwriting & Operations Committee Meeting	April 4-5	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Spring Meeting	April 8-11	Denver, CO
MPCI PPLA Committee Meeting	April 18-19	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail PPLA Committee Meeting	April 19-20	Overland Park, KS

Technology & Information Processing Committee Meeting	April 25-26	Overland Park, KS
Communications & Outreach Committee Meeting	May 2-3	Overland Park, KS
Crop-Hail A&S Committee Meeting	May 4	Overland Park, KS
Program Development Committee Meeting	May 23-24	Overland Park, KS
Board of Directors Meeting	June 26-27	TBD
NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Fall Conference	July 18-19	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 5-8	Philadelphia, PA
Board of Directors Meeting	September 20-21	Overland Park, KS
NCIS 2018 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 8-9	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	December 2-5	Honolulu, HI
Board of Directors Meeting	December 7-8	TBD
<u>2018 Meetings</u>		
NCIS 2018 Claims Managers' Conference	January 17-18	Overland Park, KS
Crop Insurance Industry Convention	February 4-7	Scottsdale, AZ
NAIC Spring Meeting	March 24-27	Milwaukee, WI
NCIS 2019 Train the Trainer Fall Conference	July 17-18	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Summer Meeting	August 4-7	Boston, MA
NCIS 2019 Train the Trainer Spring Conference	November 7-8	Overland Park, KS
NAIC Fall Meeting	November 15-18	San Francisco, CA