



Grain Inspection Advisory Committee Meeting

AMS National Grain Center, Kansas City, Missouri

January 21-22, 2026

Day 1 – Wednesday, January 21, 2026

	Opening / Member Roll Call	
8:45	Welcome from AMS Associate Administrator	Dr. Melissa Bailey, AMS Associate Administrator Jennifer Porter, Deputy Administrator
9:00	Year in Review	Charles Parr, Director Field Management Division
9:15	Special Guest Presenter – AMS Transportation Data and Inland Waterways Report	Adam Sparger, Director, AMS Transportation and Marketing, Transportation Services Division
9:30	FGIS Data Discussion	Rob Dorman Policies, Procedures, and Market Analysis Branch
9:45	Instructions Look-Ahead	Jacob Thein, Chief Policies, Procedures, and Market Analysis Branch
10:10	BREAK	
10:30	Grain Inspection Innovation	Eric Jabs, Acting Director, Technology and Science Division
11:00	Special Guest Presenter – Insights on Instrument Grading Automation	Dr. Derek Vote, International Agricultural Marketing Specialist, AMS Livestock and Poultry Program
12:30 p.m.	LUNCH (on your own)	
2:00	International Activities and USGSA Reauthorization	Anthony Goodeman, Senior Policy Advisor
2:15	Committee Discussion - Grain Grading Technology - Handbook Updates - Export Volume - FGIS Fee Structure and Billing - Calibration of commercially-owned equipment - USGSA Reauthorization	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair
3:30	BREAK	
4:00	Public Comments and Committee Discussion (continued)	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair
5:00	Adjourn	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair

Day 2 – Thursday, January 22, 2026

	Opening	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair
8:45	Ensuring Fiscal Stability	Carlos Lopez, Budget Analyst
9:00	Optimizing Technology Operations	Eric Jabs, Acting Director, Technology and Science Division
9:15	Ensuring Quality	Kendra Kline, Acting Director, Quality Assurance and Compliance Division
9:25	Public Comments, Continued Committee Discussion, Recommendations	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair
10:25	<i>BREAK (if needed)</i>	
10:40	Committee Business • Voting on Committee leadership positions • Updating Committee documents • Potential dates for next meeting • Recognition of members w/ expiring terms	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair Andrew Ping, Associate Deputy Administrator
12:00 p.m.	Adjourn	Kia Adams-Mikesh, Chair