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## 2007 Extemporaneous Speech Topics

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- Oklahoma is facing a critical shortage of Agricultural Education teachers. What are the reasons for the shortage, and what must be done to correct the situation?
- What is the future of biofuels, and will it have a major impact on U.S. dependency on foreign oil?
- What is the position of farm organizations on the issue of Eminent Domain? Explain why you support or do not support their position.
- What are the greatest threats we face in the United States from agriculture terrorism?
- Will the 2007 Farm Bill affect farmers and ranchers positively or negatively?
- How has the recent drought in Oklahoma affected farmers and ranchers, and what should the government do, or not do, to assist with the recovery?
- Agricultural Education and FFA does a great job of teaching students life skills. But, how good of a job do our programs do in teaching the academic skills of science, math, and English?
- What are the challenges associated with implementing an ethanol and biofuel energy reliable United States?
- What are some of the most attractive benefits of biotechnology to U.S. consumers?
- Is implementing a mandatory national animal ID system in the United States a good idea or bad idea?
- What threats and opportunities does the urbanization of America pose to farmers and ranchers?
- To what extent is agritourism a viable and profitable enterprise in Oklahoma?
- What are other energy solutions agriculture can provide besides bio-diesel and ethanol?
- What are some of the ways agriculturists of today are using risk management techniques to help control their risk?
- In light of the recent outbreaks of the E. coli bacteria in spinach and lettuce, what must farmers do to keep products safe for consumers, as well as keep themselves safe from financial disaster?
- How can FFA chapters and local farm organizations make significant contributions to the future economic development of rural Oklahoma?
- Do farmers in the United States continue to need a safety net to ensure they can continue to produce the nation's food, fiber, and fuel?
- What threats and opportunities does comprehensive immigration reform pose to farmers and ranchers in the United States?
- What important items should be included in the 2007 Farm Bill that were not included in the 2002 bill?