

**CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION FFA**  
**2018**  
***EXTEMPORANEOUS SPEAKING TOPICS***  
For Use in Chapter Competition Only

1. Should more water be made available for agriculture?
2. Is the amount of methane gas being omitted by livestock having an effect on global warming?
3. What are the similarities and differences between Animal Feeding Operations (AFO's) and Confinement Animal Feeding Operations (CAFO's)?
4. How effective are biological pest control practices as an alternative to maximizing profits in the agriculture industry?
5. Is crop rotation an effective method of maximizing profits in the agriculture industry?
6. Are government agencies overregulating pesticide and other crop/livestock inputs?
7. Is the family farm giving way to large corporate owned farming operations?
8. Is organically grown food more nutritious than non-organically grown food?
9. Are biotechnological practices effective methods of improving existing species of plants and animals?
10. What can be done to stem the increase in rural farm theft?
11. Which is more valuable: Agricultural Land Preservation or Urban Development?
12. Does Hydraulic Fracturing Impact Agriculture Production?
13. Corn: Better Used for Ethanol production or Feed Production?
14. Should hydraulic fracturing, also known as fracking, be outlawed?
15. Animal Rights vs Animal Welfare. Where do we draw the line?
16. Should animals be used for scientific testing?
17. How does the FFA develop future leaders in the agriculture industry?
18. Today's FFA: Is it what E.M.Tiffany had in mind in 1929?
19. How has the high school agriculture classroom changed over the past 100 years?
20. What will the classroom of tomorrow look like and need to offer future students in high school agriculture classes?