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W ith four very successful meetings of State House and Senate Agriculture Committee Chairs as their guide, members of State Agricultural and Rural Leaders are working towards an even better 2007 program. This is a unique opportunity to develop understanding and unity among state officials as they discuss agricultural and rural issues.



2006 Summit (Tempe)

"The success of these meetings is due to the opportunity to understand the commonalities among the states and bring home real time solutions to our state's issues"

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## Some of the 2007 Topics

\* The 2007 Farm Bill \* Agricultural Trade \* Environmental Regulations \* Food Safety \* Rural Development \* Farm Profitability \* Global Warming \* Entrepreneurship "Anybody who is interested in production agriculture and the policies that affect it should be interested in this meeting. Will definitely plan to sponsor and attend next year!!"

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