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**McSHANE GAINS NATIONAL AMERICAN FARM
BUREAU FEDERATION YOUNG FARMERS AND
RANCHERS SECRETARY POSITION**

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND – California Nuseryman, Steve McShane was announced National Secretary for the American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers and Ranchers organization earlier this month.

The announcement came at the close of the national leadership conference for the program titled “Reality Farming, No Farmers, No Survivors.” McShane will serve a one year term.

McShane was appointed to the National Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee in March of 2007 by American Farm Bureau President Bob Stahlman. He represents the Western Region of the United States.

McShane is a founder and past chair of the Central Coast Young Farmers and Ranchers and served one term as Chair of the State Young Farmers and Ranchers. “Steve’s election affirms his leadership in Young Farmers and Ranchers,” shared Bob Perkins, Executive Director of the Monterey County Farm Bureau. This opportunity adds to his contributions to the Young Farmers and Ranchers program,” continued Perkins.

The American Farm Bureau Federation Young Farmers and Ranchers Committee is based out of Washington D.C.. Its mission is to develop policy, programs and events geared toward leadership development of the next generation of farmers and ranchers.

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