

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: The U.S. and Mexican Dry Bean Sectors  
Publication Series: Outlook Special Report

Agency: Economic Research Service [X] Influential Scientific Information  
USDA [ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: The last transitional tariff-rate quotas (TRQs) on U.S.-Mexico (and Canada-Mexico) dry bean trade were removed at the start of 2008, in accordance with the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA). As a result, the outlook for the U.S. and Mexican dry bean sectors is now shaped by more fundamental forces of supply and demand than by anticipated reductions in regional trade barriers. This report examines the significance of dry bean trade to the NAFTA countries; provides a detailed understanding of supply, demand, and policy in the U.S. and Mexican dry bean sectors; and considers the outlook for these industries.

Purpose of Review: The purpose of the review is to ensure the high-quality of the economic analysis, transparent explanation of methods, objective interpretation of results, and effective communication to the intended audience.

Type of Review: [X] Panel Review [X] Individual Reviewers  
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[ ] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 06/28/10 End: Completed: 07/21/10

Number of Reviewers: [ ] 3 or fewer [x] 4 to 10 [ ] More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists and market analysts, policy administrator

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [ ] Designated Outside Organization  
Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment? [ ] Yes [X] No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? [ ] Yes [X] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [ ] Yes [X] No



