

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: The Baby Boom and Rural Population Change: Past, Present, and Future  
 Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service  Highly Influential Scientific Assessment  
USDA

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Subject of Review: Members of the baby boom cohort, now 42-61 years old, are approaching a period in their lives when moves to rural destinations increase. This report presents analysis of age-specific, net migration to determine what types of rural and small-town places were attractive to baby boomer migrants during the 1990s, what types of rural and small-town places are likely to experience the greatest surge in baby boomer migration during 2000-2020, and how large this population increase likely will be.

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:  Panel Review  Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 07/05/07 End: 08/14/07 Completed: 05/14/09

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

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by:  Agency  Designated Outside Organization

Organization's Name:

Opportunities for Public Comment?  Yes  No

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

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?  Yes  No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?  Yes  No

