

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Rural America at a Glance, 2009 Edition
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) EIB
 Influential Scientific Information
Agency: Economic Research Service Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
USDA
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Subject of Review: Each year, ERS publishes a short description of recent trends affecting Rural America. Each edition examines trends in employment, unemployment, poverty and population among U.S. counties outside of standard metropolitan statistical areas. In addition, other trends of interest are typically described. The 2009 edition examines poverty trends among rural children and changes in the racial composition of the rural population.

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: 06/02/09 End: 06/26/09 Completed: 07/09/09

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