

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: U.S. Competitiveness in Crop Export Markets

Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) ERR

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

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Subject of Review: The U.S. has historically been one of the largest exporters of agricultural products. Although still a major exporter, competition has increased from countries such as Argentina and Brazil. Export markets have also changed, and China has become the largest importer. The purpose of this study is to examine the export competitiveness of major U.S. crops relative to major competitors. We discuss the threats and opportunities to U.S. competitiveness and conduct commodity level analysis for 5 major crop exports. Exports represent a significant market for U.S. agricultural industries and products, with global market volatility and competition directly impacting U.S. producers. This report contributes to the understanding of how global changes have impacted different commodities, as opposed to aggregate effects on the agricultural sector.

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 [X] Individual Reviewers
[] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 03/17/2022 Completed: 07/20/2022

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

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: [X] Agency [] Designated Outside Organization

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