

## Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: U.S. Organic Production, Markets, and Policy, 2000-2020

Type of Report  
(ERR, EIB, EB,  
TB, SOR,)

ERR

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

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Subject of  
Review:

Organic agriculture entered the U.S. public policy realm in 1990 when Congress passed the Organic Foods Production Act to establish national regulatory standards and oversight. U.S. farm sales of organic crops and livestock products increased 60 percent between 2007 and 2012, to \$3.1 billion, and then more than doubled, to \$7.3 billion, between 2012 and 2017. The report examines the changes USDA has made in conservation, risk management and other farm programs to facilitate the use of these programs by organic farmers. The report also examines the growth in agricultural research, in both public and private settings, on organic production and marketing.

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Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 5/13/2020 Completed: 12/07/2020 Withdrawn: XX/XX/XX

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

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