## **Peer Review Plan**

Preliminary Title:	How do Time and Money Affect Agricultural Insurance Uptake? A New Approach to Farm Risk Management Analysis  XXX				
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB, TB, SOR,)					
1B, 50K,)		[X]	Influential Sci	entific Information	
Agency:	Economic Research Service USDA	[ ]	Highly Influer	ntial Scientific Asse	ssment
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Subject of Review:	Crop insurance is an often used and heavily researched tool for managing agricultural production risk both in the United States and in developing countries, where formal risk markets are largely absent. Despite findings supporting the benefits of purchasing crop insurance, the rate of insurance uptake among farmers is, in practice, much lower than what is predicted by the prevailing research. This report uses a new approach to the analysis of farm risk management behavior to explain why observed insurance coverage is lower than expected under more traditional models. It examines the role of a farmer's risk management options (particularly savings and insurance) over time, and evaluates how the farm's financial environment may change the demand for crop insurance.				
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.				
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Number of Reviewer	s: [ ] 3 or fewer	[X]	4 to 10	[ ] More than	10
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Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?			Yes	[X] No	
Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?			Yes	[X] No	

