

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Food Expenditure Changes After ARRA

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

ERR

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service
USDA

Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 increased maximum benefits for households that participated in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly the Food Stamp Program). In this analysis, ERS plans to estimate how much SNAP households increased food expenditure after the increase in benefits and how much of each additional dollar of SNAP benefits was spent on food. The analysis will investigate whether households exhibited higher marginal propensities to spend out of SNAP than neoclassical economics would predict.

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: 02/17/16 End: 06/21/16 Completed: 06/21/16

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

