

## ERS Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Farmland Tenancy and Conservation Practice Adoption

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: This report explores broad trends among farmland landowners and renters in the adoption of certain conservation practices, including conservation tillage, cover cropping, and permanent structural practices (e.g., buffer strips or riparian buffers). We examine data from the Agricultural Resource Management Survey (including the Tenure, Ownership, and Transition of Agricultural Land (TOTAL) survey 2014) from 2010 to 2019, which cover different types of field crops planted including corn, soybeans, wheat, cotton, barley, sorghum, peanuts, rice, and oats.

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: 06/06/2022 Completed: 07/05/2023

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