

Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Recession and Recovery in Rural America

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 examines the effects of the Great Recession on U.S. labor markets, with an emphasis on rural America. There was considerable geographic variation in the effects of the recession, with large differences between regions, between metro and nonmetro counties, and between the more rural and less rural nonmetro counties. We describe how these differences are related to differences in the mix of industries that support the local economy, in the proximity to metro areas, in the quality of natural amenities, and other factors.

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: 09/18/12 End: 11/30/12 Completed: 05/07/13

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

