

## ERS Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title:	Characteristics and trends of 1 U.S. rice production practices, costs, and returns		
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB)	EIB		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Influential Scientific Information	
Agency:	Economic Research Service USDA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
Agency Contact:	Jeffrey Hopkins, jeffrey.w.hopkins@usda.gov		
Subject of Review:	Rice is an important crop in California and in the Southeast, with nearly all U.S. rice being produced in these regions. In the past decade, U.S. rice producers have faced many challenges. This report identifies major trends in rice farming from approximately 2013 to 2024 and examines their causes and implications. Rice is relatively expensive to produce compared to other U.S. crops, leaving rice farmers particularly vulnerable to increases in input costs. It is important for stakeholders involved.		
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:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Panel Review	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Individual Reviewers
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):	
Timing of Review (Est.):	Start:	4/18/2025	Completed:
Number of Reviewers:	<input type="checkbox"/>	3 or fewer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 to 10 <input type="checkbox"/> More than 10
Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review:	Economists		
Reviewers selected by:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Agency	<input type="checkbox"/> Designated Outside Organization
Opportunities for Public Comment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:			
How:			
When:			
Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No