# Peer Review Plan

**Preliminary Title:** Puerto Rico’s Agricultural Economy: A Brief Overview

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

**Influential Scientific Information**

**Agency:** Economic Research Service [ ] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment USDA

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**Subject of Review:** "Relative to other economic sectors, the agricultural sector of Puerto Rico—a U.S. territory—is comparatively small and, overall, the accounts for less than 1 percent of the island’s economic activity today. The sector produces approximately 10 percent of the island’s total food needs, with the other 90 percent supplied by imports. A limited amount of Puerto Rico’s agricultural production is exported, with a value reaching $180.0 million in 2020 as reported by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census’ (Census) State Data Series. Historically, Canada has been the largest purchaser of Puerto Rico’s international exports, however, this country was surpassed by the European Union in 2020. Trade with the United States is conducted between the ports of Jacksonville, Florida and the island’s main port in San Juan. Both ports are exposed to hurricane risk, presenting large exposure to negative shocks."

**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:** 2/4/2022
- **Completed:** --/--/--
- **Withdrawn:** --/--/--

**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