

ERS Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title:	Cuba's Deteriorating Food Security and its Implications for US Agricultural Exports		
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB)	ERR		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Influential Scientific Information	
Agency:	Economic Research Service USDA	<input type="checkbox"/>	Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
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Subject of Review:	The Cuban economy has struggled to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. While the reignition of Cuba-Russia trade in late 2022 provided some respite for the Cuban economy, reductions in trade, tourism, remittances, and domestic food production have resulted in a growing food security problem for Cuba. For the third year in a row (2020-22), Cuba's agricultural imports and exports declined, based on the available statistics of Cuba's trade partners. In 2023, a combination of reduced public subsidies and inflation outpacing wage growth led to higher poverty, inequality, and food insecurity in Cuba. This deterioration in Cuba's food security situation has direct implications for U.S. agricultural exports to Cuba.		
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:	11/22/2023	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