

ERS Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Structure of the Cow-Calf Segment of the U.S. Beef Industry

Type of Report
(ERR, EIB, EB) ERR

Influential Scientific Information

Agency: Economic Research Service Highly Influential Scientific Assessment
USDA

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Subject of Review: The cow-calf segment of the U.S. beef industry is diverse in farm size, structure, and location, with farms located in every State and ranging from very small to very large. Modest structural change has been seen in this segment over the past two decades, resulting in moderately fewer farms that produce more animals and are more specialized in cow-calf production. Cow-calf farms are compared by region, farm size, phases of beef production other than cow-calf that are present on the farm, and farm typology using the cow-calf version of the 2018 USDA Agricultural Resource Management Survey.

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 Individual Reviewers

Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: 09/22/2022 Completed: 2/6/2023

Number of Reviewers: 3 or fewer 4 to 10 More than 10

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Economists

Reviewers selected by: Agency Designated Outside Organization

Opportunities for Public Comment? Yes No

If yes, briefly state how and when these opportunities will be provided:

How:

When:

Peer Reviewers Provided with Public Comments? Yes No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? Yes No