

## ERS Peer Review Plan

Preliminary Title: Major Uses of Land in the United States, 2017  
Type of Report (ERR, EIB, EB) EIB  
 Influential Scientific Information  
Agency: Economic Research Service  Highly Influential Scientific Assessment  
USDA  
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Subject of Review: Land uses and land-use changes have important economic and environmental implications. ERS's Major Land Uses (MLU) series is the only inventory of all major uses of public and private land in all 50 States. Since 1945, these estimates have been published at roughly 5-year intervals, coinciding with the Census of Agriculture. This study presents the results of the latest inventory (2017) of U.S. major land uses and examines national and regional trends in land use over time.  
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: 5/02/2023 Completed: 08/30/2023  
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