

Peer Review Plan

Title of Review: Nitrogen in Agricultural Systems: Implications for Conservation Policy [] Influential Scientific Information

Agency: ERS (Report) & ARS Contribution [X] Highly Influential Scientific Assessment

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Subject of Review: A report that conducted an in-depth, unique national analysis of potential policy instruments for reduction of nitrogen losses and increases in nitrogen use efficiency and environmental conservation.

Purpose of Review: To get input from key agencies related to conservation programs, environmental conservation, and policy related to nitrogen management and conservation.

Type of Review: [] Panel Review [] Individual Reviewers
[X] Alternative Process (Briefly Explain):
Review by agencies that are related to nitrogen management in agricultural systems and environmental conservation

Timing of Review (Est.): Start: Summer 2010 End: Summer 2010 Completed: Pending Final Approval ERS Peer Review Coordination Council

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

Primary Disciplines/Types of Expertise Needed for Review: Soil and Water Conservation / Soil Science / Environmental Policy / Economics

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 [] No

Public Nominations Requested for Review Panel? [] Yes [] No

Other: Report was peer reviewed by EPA, NRCS, and ARS

