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Comments: As a retired USDA agricultural economist who worked in DC and interacted with Congress, OMB, and others, I realize that most actions by the Federal Government must consider many diverse interests. I was responsible to analyze the costs and benefits of Farm Bill programs and other actions by various USDA agencies during my career. Two take a ways from that experience: we often have little data and information on the long term effects brought about our current actions and we often have little idea of the unintended consequences of those actions. Please clarify in your analysis, some mention on what you know and would like to know more about these two important considerations, even if you have no data, but could offer some sound science behind your reasoning. Thank you and I appreciate the opportunity for me to offer my concerns in your difficult task at hand.