

Interactive comment on "Irrigation efficiency and water-policy implications for river-basin resilience" by C. A. Scott et al.

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We appreciate the comment on "valiant attempt at comparative socio-hydrology" and the 7 July 2012 decision to publish the discussion piece.

In response to "the paper misses some opportunities to achieve synthesis" we have opted for the Editor's example of "a table that summarizes the key characteristics that actually result in three paradoxes". Table 1 has been modified to do just this. In doing so, we have also taken on board the view of Referee #2 (1 October 2013) that (a) efficiency increases production and (b) intersectoral transfers can create higher regional efficiency.

Finally, for this Author response post, we outline the revisions in process. The final C5655

version of the manuscript will address the comments of Referees #1 and #2 (including the annotated manuscript returned with the review).

Once again, we appreciate the opportunity to submit our work for review.

Sincerely, the author team.

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