

## ***Interactive comment on “Modeling glacier melt and runoff in a high-altitude headwater catchment in the Cordillera Real, Andes” by T. Kinouchi et al.***

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Both reviewers have provided important comments. A major limitation of the study as presented in the manuscript is the too short period of available data. While the efforts of collecting data in such a difficult environment of course must be appreciated, two years of data are just too little to support the conclusions the authors want to make in the manuscript. As the reviewers suggest, the authors will have to wait until more data is available or change the focus of the manuscript. Knowing how difficult it is to collect good data, I would prefer to be more positive, but we still can not ignore the fact, that the available data often limits what can be done with the data. I would ask the authors to address especially the data limitation issue in their response.

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