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Comments to the Author:

Dear Authors,

Thank you so much for your submission and revision of your manuscript. I found that you addressed all reviewer comments thoughtfully and incorporated their comments into the manuscript where appropriate. After reading the revised manuscript, I have some very minor editorial revisions for you to make in the final paper. Many of these comments stem from the HESS manuscript preparation guidelines related to formatting: http://www.hydrology-and-earth-system-sciences.net/submission/manuscript_preparation.html.

Thank you for your submission to HESS and I wish the authors all the best on their future research.

Minor comments:

Line 40: Change to wit to ; (Essentially delete the phrase to wit)

Removed.

Lines 54 and 99: You change from using the term delineations to spatial configurations in these lines. Please be consistent. I prefer the use of spatial configurations.

Changed all references of delineations to spatial configurations

Line 104: Add reference to geospatial fabric (line 108) to this sentence.

Added reference

Line 171: Spell out ~

Spelled out ~ as about.

Line 185: Should it be snowfall regions and not just snowfall?

Clarified sentence to note all precipitation measurements generally have undercatch, especially snowfall.

Line 191: Spell out &

Spelled out & as and.

Line 231: Add year and follow the HESS guidelines. The date should be written as 1 October 1980.

Changed date to meet HESS guidelines

Line 240: Remove extra space

Removed space

Lines 247 and 268: HESS guidelines dictate that *a priori* is not italicized.

Removed italics from *a priori*

Equation 1 (line 277): A dot or space is acceptable for multiplication. See HESS guidelines for equations.

Changed to dot operator for multiplication

Section 4 headings: Make the headings bold and not italics. Also, move headings over to the left so that they are not indented.

Changed all headings throughout paper.

Line 452: See HESS guidelines. The *T* in *T*_{max} should be italics but not max.

Changed *T* in *T*_{max} to italics