

## ***Interactive comment on “Modelling microbiological water quality in the Seine river drainage network: past, present and future situations” by P. Servais et al.***

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Two reviews of the manuscript have now been achieved and published as “Referee Comments” in HESSD. The referees are acknowledged for their work and valuable comments. They both agree in finding this paper interesting and suitable for publication in HESS. Based on these evaluations and my own reading of the manuscript, the manuscript is accepted for publication in the special issue “Man and river systems: Long-term interactions between societies and nature in regional scale watersheds” with minor changes.

The authors are asked to write an “Author Comment” within 4 weeks to respond to

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the referee comments and attributed short comments if any, and to submit a revised version of the manuscript accordingly. In doing so, they shall address each point of the referee comments and provide a list of the changes introduced to the manuscript.

In particular, they are asked to pay a special attention to the concerns raised par Referee 2, who requires a deeper discussion about the modeling assumptions and the related uncertainties/significance of the model results, as such a validation is necessary before using a model as a management/decision tool.

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