

# ***Interactive comment on “HESS Opinions: A Planetary Boundary on Freshwater Use is Misleading” by Maik Heistermann***

## **Anonymous Referee #1**

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### Comments for the Authors

The manuscript is well written and provocative. The author questions whether or not the discussion of planetary boundaries in the literature is supported sufficiently by scientific inquiry. This is an important and timely piece of work, which will stimulate further discussion among academics.

### Specific Comments

Some of the discussion is somewhat too colloquial for a scholarly journal article. For example, one should avoid using contractions such as can't and don't. Also, it is not clear that the situation of two authors not co-publishing a paper is pertinent. It might be better to avoid putting that perspective forward. In general, the manuscript would benefit from an effort to improve the scholarly level of the writing quality.

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