

***Interactive comment on* “Evaluation and Comparison among Multiple Forcing Data Sets for Precipitation and Shortwave Radiation over Mainland China” by Fan Yang et al.**

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Dear Referee #2

We really appreciate your valuable comments which can help us revise the paper. Here we give a quick reply to explain what we will do in accordance with your comments. 1. About the data used to evaluate forcing data sets, we will follow the editor’s advice and use the rain gauge data from Hydrological Bureau of Ministry of Water Resources which is an independent observation dataset of precipitation to evaluate forcing data sets. 2. About wrong references, we will check the references we cited carefully and correct these mistakes. 3. In order to refine the title, we can change it as “Evaluation

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of Multiple Forcing Data Sets for Precipitation and Shortwave Radiation over Mainland China". 4. As for the statistical metrics, a Taylor diagram will be used to further describe the degree of correspondence between forcing data and observation data, and we will modify the statement in our manuscript to make it more objective.

Thanks again!

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